



School District No.59 (Peace River South)

Board Highlights for December 16, 2020

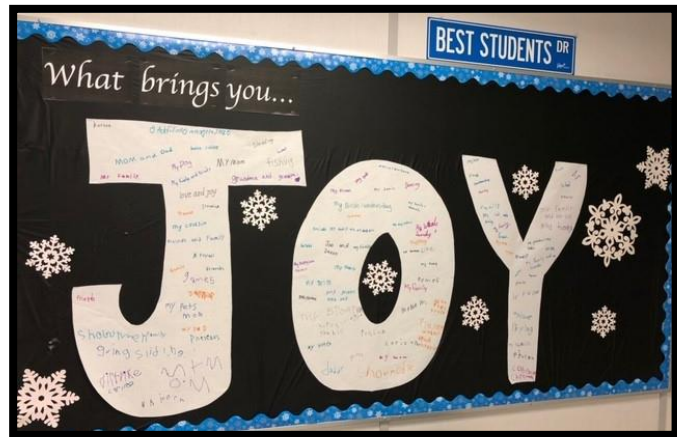
Superintendent of Schools Report:

School/Student News:

Across the district there are lots of interesting and unique ways that students are celebrating the holiday season. Individual class presentations have been filmed and streamed out to parents. Some schools are doing class activities in their Maker Spaces. Others are door decorating, creating food hampers and helping families in need. DCSS media arts students have made their own COVID posters that are put up around the school. This is also a time of year where the enthusiasm for decorating bulletin boards is evident.

The Numeracy Working Group met recently. This group of cross-grade teachers is working to enhance numeracy across the district. The SOGI school leads also recently met, continuing the work they do to foster inclusivity in our schools and classrooms.

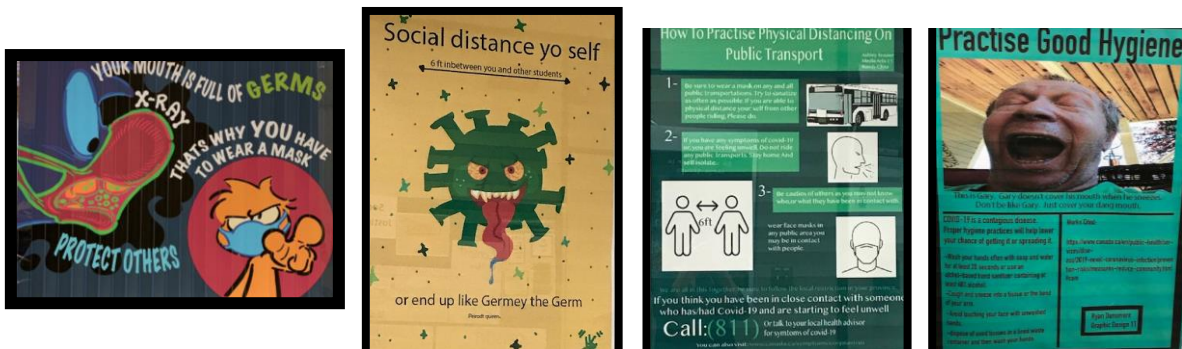
The Learning Services Department has just wrapped up an internal audit of all of the Category H students across the district. This audit is to ensure that this group of students is receiving the supports they need to be successful.



In Aboriginal/Indigenous Education, the Tripartite Agreement AGM was recently held. The Learning Enhancement Agreement (LEA) Oversight Committees also met. Each First Nation band has an LEA, each committee developed their own terms of reference. Indigenous Advisory Committee meetings have been held at schools across the District. Each school has gathered data and created a goal in alignment with the LEA.

COVID-19 Update

The district is continually re-evaluating the health and safety protocols in place for COVID-19. Protocols have been updated to align with the Ministry of Education, provincial and local health authority guidelines, this includes protocols for outside user groups to use school district facilities. Public Health continues to reinforce that schools' protocols are working and minimizing risk.



Reports from the Secretary-Treasurer:

Finance Reports

The revenue and school budget reports were reviewed. The district is expected to receive the Amended Annual Operating Grant information from the Ministry of Education by December 18th, 2020. Budgets will be amended based on the amended funding grant.

With the recent provincial election, the Provincial Government has announced new cabinet ministers; Jennifer Whiteside has been appointed as the new Minister of Education.

Upcoming Events:

Date:	Event:
December 21-January 3	Winter Break (schools are closed)
January 4, 2021	First day back from Winter Break
January 20, 2021	Open Board Meeting – 1:00 pm (School Board Office – Dawson Creek)
February 15, 2021	Family Day Holiday (schools are closed)
February 17 & 18, 2021	Early Dismissal (school ends 1 hr earlier)
February 17, 2021	Open Board Meeting – 1:00 pm (School Board Office – Dawson Creek)

