



Board Highlights from the June 9, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Christ the Teacher Roman Catholic Separate School Division Board of Education. The next meeting is scheduled for August 25, 2025 .

#### DIALOGUE WITH MEMBERS OF THE SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

The Board was honoured to have the opportunity to welcome Saskatchewan School Boards Association representatives Darren McKee (Executive Director), Shawn Davidson (President), Lori Kidney (Vice-President), and Jerome Niezgoda (Catholic Constituency) to dialogue with the Board for a portion of the meeting.

#### DIVISION STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE: FAITH FORMATION, MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING, AND INSPIRING SUCCESS PRIORITY PLAN UPDATES

Religious Education Consultant Deanna Pellatt provided an update on the key actions and activities completed during the school year in support of the Faith Formation priority. The Faith Formation target is, “Students and staff will grow in their faith by deepening their relationship with Christ and following His example by loving and serving others.” Mrs. Pellatt highlighted recent updates to curricular programming in both elementary and secondary religion programs. Additionally, Mrs. Pellatt announced the 2025–26 faith focus will be *Many and One*. This theme presents an opportunity to extend the previous focus of *Lighting the Way*. Throughout the school year, students and staff will have opportunity to deepen their understanding of the theme through a variety of experiences, including prayer services, gospel assemblies, and retreats.

Superintendent of Education Trevor Baker reviewed division actions intended to support and lead the division’s response to the Inspiring Success priority. Mr. Baker shared updates on divisional and school processes to support deeper understandings of the Inspiring Success policy. He also summarized the work to date on collecting evidence on the Indigenous Education Responsibility Framework (IERF) and how that data informs future targets toward actualizing the goals of Inspiring Success. Other highlights include CTTCS administrators completing professional learning through the Leading to Learn sessions, division representation at the Inspiring Success Focus Session, and the continuation of the Invitational Shared Services Initiative between Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools and Zagimē Anishinabēk First Nation. Finally, Mr. Baker shared that the first Round Dance and Pipe Ceremony was held at St. Mary’s School February 13th.

Division actions to date related to the Mental Health and Well-Being Priority were provided by Superintendent of Education Chad Holinaty. Actions within this priority are intended to support and address the mental health and well-being of students and staff. One of the priority highlights was the Mental Health Capacity Building (MHCB) program at St. Alphonsus School. This program is intended to, “support positive mental health and well-being by enhancing protective factors and reducing preventable risk factors for mental illness. This is accomplished by creating a school community that promotes and sustains positive mental health and well-being for everyone. The MHCB program builds capacity for students, families, caregivers, staff, and communities to work together towards a healthy school environment.”

## 2025-26 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET APPROVED

The Ministry of Education requires Board approval for the 2025-26 budget for Christ the Teacher RCSSD No. 212 by June 30, 2025. The Provincial Budget was released on March 19, 2025, with funding packages provided April 17, 2025. Preliminary budget presentations at Board Planning sessions occurred on May 12 and May 26. CTTCS Chief Financial Officer Delmar Zwirsky shared highlights for the 2025-26 budget for Christ the Teacher RCSSD No. 212, including:

- The 2025-26 Budget includes estimated revenues of \$24,758,037 with estimated expenses of \$26,825,801, including amortization.
- Approximately \$20,044,438 or 74.7% of budgetary expenditures are allocated to “Instruction”.
- After adjustments for amortization and other non-cash expenses, a balanced cash budget was approved with the utilization of \$1,030,790 of Board Reserves to support operational and capital expenditures. Operational expenditures were allocated for priorities including Catholic Distinctiveness, Truth & Reconciliation, Mental Health & Well-Being, and Investing in Teachers (Teacher professional development). As well \$442,425 of reserves will be utilized for capital expenditures for academic equipment replacement, information technology hardware, and maintenance equipment. In addition, \$93,596 of funds from Unrestricted Surplus will be utilized to balance the remainder of the cash budget.

## STUDENT SERVICES REPORT

Ashley Benko, Coordinator of Student Achievement and Supports, presented the Student Services Report. This report provides an update on the services provided by the Division for students who require intensive supports in alignment with the Ministry of Education’s guidelines. The report also includes updates on student support services priorities targeted in the 2024-25 school year. The priority areas highlighted include: supporting students to read at or above grade level, supporting student transitioning, supporting students entering and participating in Early Learning, strengthening relationships with supporting agencies, and continuing to offer high quality education for students requiring intensive supports. Mrs. Benko expressed appreciation for inter-agency collaboration, service coordination, and support for students and families.

## LIGHTING THE PATH TO TRUTH & RECONCILIATION

This film was created by indigenous Leadership Team of the Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association (SCSBA), in partnership with the Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation. It celebrates Catholic Education Week. It is rooted in the theme *Pilgrims of Hope*. We reflect on our shared journey of Faith, Truth, and Reconciliation. We are called to live Christ's mission as pilgrims of hope in our families, schools, and communities. We are asked to be witnesses of our faith through actions, compassion, and truth.

Across Saskatchewan, the eight Catholic school divisions are walking the path of Truth and Reconciliation. Rooted in our Catholic faith and guided by Indigenous ways of knowing, we are embracing this journey with authenticity; not only in words, but in meaningful experiences created for staff and students alike. The fire in the video calls us to come together. We are reminded to tend the flame with care. In time, it will share its warmth to heal us and light to lead us on a journey towards Truth and Reconciliation. The fire calls each of

us to take part because reconciliation is not a moment, it is a mission we must carry forward together. To view the film, please link to: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jnjHofJWA-c>



CONGRATULATIONS & BLESSINGS FOR A WONDERFUL SUMMER

Congratulations to all students who recently competed at the Saskatchewan High School Athletics Association (SHSAA) Provincial Track & Field Championships.

Congratulations to the Sacred Heart High School Choir on winning the Saskatchewan Choral Federation School Music Scholarship and the SHHS Chamber Choir on advancing to compete as part of Team Saskatchewan at the Canada West performing Arts Festival this July.

The Board of Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the 2025 Graduating Classes of Dreambuilders High School and Sacred Heart High School. May God’s blessings be bountiful to you as you travel the paths you have chosen for your future. We would like to extend a prayer for all students, families, and staff that you have a safe and restful summer.

*Believe...Belong...Become*