

## **BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

April 14, 2025

## **Student Successes Highlighted**

A group of SRPSD students competed at the Provincial Skills Competition earlier this month. Several of these students received top honors including:

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Rachel Gibson – Gold medal in Photography Jak Gibb – Gold medal in Precision Machining

Camrynn Brass – Gold medal in Aesthetics, demonstrating both a pedicure and a manicure with nail art

Mya Carriere - Gold Medal in Baking Marissa Babbings - Gold medal in cooking.

While only gold medalists advance to Nationals, several other students earned medals:

Abdul Daido – Silver in Carpentry

Hudsyn Johnson – Bronze in Electrical Installations

Phillip Ebende & Brooke Anderson – Silver in Video Production

Max Pahtayken – Silver in Beading/Indigenous Arts.

Grade 5 to 8 students were involved in the Regional Science fair, Daycee Flying Buffalo from West Central Public School placed 1st with her project 'Horizons and Roots' and Olivia Gorder from Red Wing Public School received second with her project 'Hydrogels Water Conservation'. These students will represent SRPSD at the Canada-Wide Science Fair in Ottawa.

## **Board Attends SSBA Spring Conference**

The Board had the pleasure of attending the SSBA Spring Assembly on April 3rd and 4th. The theme of the conference was 'good governance and local voices: keeping students at the heart of every decision'. Trustees had the opportunity to gain valuable professional development and learn alongside their colleagues from across the province. The Board was excited to hear the announcement that Grade 12 provincial examinations are being discontinued by the Ministry of Education in the 2025-26 school year. Both the Board and the Saskatchewan Rivers Student for Change (SRSC) advocated for this change after seeing the impacts this unequal system had, particularly on our rural students, who had to write the exams.

## **Facilities Accountability Report**

Facilities Superintendent Mike Hurd presented the Facilities Accountability Report to the Board. Hurd walked the Board through the projects his team has undertaken to ensure the maintenance and safety of our facilities. The SRPSD facilities team is to be commended for the work they do to keep our sites safe, clean and in top working order. The Board appreciates the update on the projects completed through the Preventative Maintenance Fund and the importance of maintaining our spaces to enhance the lifespan of the facilities

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