

# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

April 20, 2026

## Student Successes Highlighted at Recent Board Meeting

Earlier this month, a group of SRPSD students competed at the Provincial Skills Competition. Several students earned top honours, including Cameron Dueck (Carlton), who received gold in precision machining, Jorja Hanson Lemaigre (Carlton), who earned gold in electrical installations, and Emma Sayazie (Carlton), who took gold in beading. While only gold medalists are eligible to advance to Nationals, several other students also brought home medals.

Students in Grades 5 to 8 were involved in the Regional Science Fair. We will be sending two students to the Canada-Wide Science Fair in Edmonton, Alberta, from May 23 to May 30, 2026. Ella Fendelet, a grade 8 student from Christopher Lake, and Jade Bremner, a grade 7 student from Red Wing.

The Board would like to extend its congratulations to the Carlton Boys Basketball team on earning a silver medal at Hoopla. This achievement reflects the team's hard work, dedication, and sportsmanship, and is a source of pride for the entire school community.

## Board Attends SSBA Spring Conference

The Board attended the SSBA Spring Assembly on April 16th and 17th. This year's theme *Connections*, provided Board members with valuable professional development and the opportunity to learn alongside their colleagues from across the province. Board Chair Cher Bloom reflected on presentations from Ministry teams regarding the Provincial Education Plan, noting her understanding of the ongoing, iterative planning involved in addressing areas of improvement across the province, as well as the plan's timeline extending through 2030.

## Facilities Accountability Report

The Facilities Accountability Report was reviewed by Superintendent Derek Blais and highlighted three key areas: the scale of operations, the condition of facilities and capital pressures, and projects completed to maintain and improve buildings. The Board commends the SRPSD facilities team for their work in keeping sites safe, clean, and well-maintained. Appreciation was expressed for the updates on projects completed through the Preventative Maintenance and Renewal (PMR) program, highlighting efforts to maintain spaces and extend the lifespan of the facilities. The Board also noted concerns that PMR funding is not keeping pace with the increasing demands of aging facilities.

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