



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS May 24, 2023, Regular Meeting St-Isidore

2020-2024 Education Plan

The Board approved the "2023-2024" revision of the 2020-2024 Education Plan. For the final year of this education plan, the main target areas and goals remain the same, while strategies have been revised or added. The plan's success criteria will be assessed based on the results of Alberta Education surveys, as well as the school community surveys and consultations conducted by the Board during the year.

[Education Plan to be posted HERE on June 1](#)

2023-2024 Budget

The Board approved the 2023-2024 budget with an anticipated deficit of \$592,941 based on revenues of \$12,075,324 and expenditures of \$12,668,265. This budget will make it possible to maintain student programs and services according to the education plan. The deficit is mainly due to a large shortfall in maintenance, as well as a deficit in teaching (m to 12). In addition, administrative funding was reduced by approximately \$90,000.

[The 2022-2023 Budget will be posted HERE on June 1.](#)

2023-2024 School Fees

An increase to mandatory school fees for cultural programming and special events were approved as these had not been amended since 2013. For the 2023-2024 school year, fees for cultural programming will increase by \$10 per student and fees for special events by \$5 per student.

The schools' fees forecasts were received and adopted for the 2023-2024 school year. See [School fees](#).

2023-2024 Preschool Fees

The Board reviewed the preschool program funding as fees have not changed since the programs were introduced in 2011.

An increase was approved for the 2023-2024 school year. Through the Canada-Alberta Early Learning and Childcare Agreement, fees to parents

are reduced for the 5 half-day program and parents will pay less than the current fee.

The following fees will be in place for 2023-2024:

5 half-days per week Program:

- \$140/month = **\$65 parent fee** + \$75 affordability grant.

4 half-days per week program:

- \$112/month.

2023 CSNO BURSARIES

The CSNO will award two bursaries worth \$ 800 to CSNO graduates. Applications for the "Actifs et fiers" and "Excellence scolaire " bursaries were received and evaluated. The bursary recipients will be announced during the graduation celebrations.

JUPA Agreement – Village of Falher

The Board approved the new Joint Use and Planning Agreement with the Village of Falher. This agreement sets out procedures and guidelines for the sharing of CSNO spaces and lands in Falher and the village. The agreement has been approved by the Village of Falher and will be signed by both parties shortly.

Daycare at École des Quatre-Vents

The process of implementing the daycare at École des Quatre-Vents is progressing and a funding request will be made to the Canada-Alberta agreement to purchase new equipment for the daycare. The CSNO is seeking to fill [a "level 3" educator position for the coordination of the daycare](#). Registration for the daycare will begin soon with the possibility of opening the daycare in September 2023 if all steps fall into place.

Trustees' Report

The CSNO Chair and trustees outlined the meetings and activities they participated in since the last meeting. Participation in the following meetings was noted: Ottawa National Education Summit, FCSFA, Finance Committee, ÉQV Construction Committee, CSNO Bursary Selection Committee, ASBA Zone 1.



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National Francophone Education Summit

Three CSNO representatives participated in the “Sommet national sur l’Éducation” in Ottawa, April 27 and 28. The theme of this 4th summit was **Reimagining Education!** The event brought together key players working in French-first language education, in Canada. It allowed participants to exchange and reflect on current educational issues. Participants greatly appreciated the discussions, as well as the involvement of youth during the summit. Trustees watched the [video](#) prepared by the students to express their wishes regarding the future of Francophone education.

School trustees will attend the **2023 graduation ceremonies**. These will take place:

- **École Nouvelle Frontière** – May 27 (2 p.m.) Ceremony at the school.
- **École Héritage**– June 2 (2:15 p.m.) mass at St. Anne's Church (4:15 p.m.) Ceremony at the school.
- **École des Quatre-Vents** – June 8 (3:30 p.m.): ceremony at the school.

ÉQV Construction Project

The construction of the new school is progressing well! The CSNO expects that students will be in the new premises for the start of the school year in September 2023.

Policies

Board approved Policy 9, Development of Policies and Directives, Policy 15, Language Policy and Policy 16, Eligibility Criteria without any changes.

See [CSNO policies](#).

Superintendent's Report

Human resources - There are a few positions to be filled and the CSNO is currently looking to fill the principal position for École des Quatre-Vents for the 2023-2024 school year.

Requests for a French-language daycare and the addition of a 5th day to the preschool program at École Héritage

Administration is reviewing requests from two École Héritage parents. A study is underway regarding the change to the preschool program. The request for a daycare requires greater analysis since this project involves more human and financial resources.

INVITATION

The public is invited to attend Council meetings and may place an item on the agenda by contacting, one week in advance, Ms. Rachelle Bergeron, Secretary General, at 780-624-8855 or 1-866-624-8855.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

May 31	Last day - preschool
June 14	CSNO meeting at 2 p.m.
June 16	Last day - kindergarten
June 23	Last day of class (Grades 1 to 9)
June 27	Last day of class (Grades 10 to 12)
June 28	Last day – school staff