



Media Release

Highlights of December 18, 2023 Board Meeting

Presenter – Andrée Michaud

Superintendent Samoil introduced Andrée Michaud to present on the Breakfast program at Pineridge Elementary School along with Feeding Futures Coordinator, Nadia Halward. They discussed the importance of food security and the difficulties that can arise if children have insecurities around food. Ms. Michaud shared photos of the newly renovated breakfast room at Pineridge. The students deserve a welcoming environment to come to every morning and this new space has been well received. Pineridge has received many community contributions toward this project along with food supplies.

Chair Toye expressed, "I am so thankful for all of the partners that make our breakfast program and all our food programs possible. Growing minds take many nourishing calories and we know that by feeding bellies, we are feeding minds. I believe most anything and everything is possible in partnership and with immense gratitude I thank all of our partners in so many endeavors in our school community."

Upcoming projects/Learning/Other

The Acting Superintendent provided a summary of recent school activities and upcoming events.

One of the components of the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning cycle is the provincial assessments. 67% of Grade 4 and 60% of Grade 7 students wrote the FSAs this fall. Students will write the Numeracy 10 and Literacy 10 Assessments in January 2024.

Teachers are designing and planning interesting learning experiences for students. Some examples are the guudisk – harvesting lesson Mr. Clifton shared with the Sm'algyax 11 and 12 students, the Conrad Grade 5 students hiked the Butze Rapids Trail, and many of the elementary schools are taking gymnastics. These are all great examples of how students are exposed to the greater community.



Staff made plans for Halilikluugit – the month of feasting for family nights, concerts, and theme days.

The Before and after school program is full at Roosevelt and there are 13 at Pineridge and 9 at Conrad.

We currently have 12 students registered for the ECE Dual Credit Courses from CHSS and Hartley Bay. We are in the process of recruiting from PCS, Nisga'a, Lach Klan and Lax Kwa'laams. The courses are running from January 31 to May 29, 2024 using both hybrid and face to face instruction. We have 4 students who have completed the ECE Assistant course work last year who are applying for certificates to work in child care centres in Prince Rupert.

Policy Committee Work

The Board of Education approved the policies:

1220 – International Students Policy

1110 – Learning Resources Policy

The Board of Education is seeking input from partner groups on 1 policy:

6140 – Role of the Trustee and Trustee Code of Conduct Policy

Upcoming Events

December 25, 2023 –
January 5, 2023

Christmas Break

January 15, 2024

Board of Education Meeting

January 19, 2024

Non-Instructional Day, Elementary & Middle
Schools

January 23 & 24, 2024

Welcome to French Immersion Sessions



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