

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS



May 26, 2021



Trustees: (back row) Connie Huelsman, Vice Chair Melissa Copley, Allan Tarnoczi, Superintendent Kurt Sacher, Gord Kerr, Joe-Anne Knispel-Matejka (front row) Chair Holly Bilton, Colleen Butler, Sherry Cooper, Trudy James

Budget 2021-2022:

The Chinook's Edge Board of Trustees approved a \$127 million budget for the 2021-2022 school year, following an extensive presentation from Treasurer Susan Roy. This included a request to the Minister of Education to carry an operating deficiency of \$2.4 million, along with a list of expenditures for ministerial approval. With net amortization of \$1.23 million, and capital purchases of \$1.64 million, division operating reserves are expected to decline by \$2.3 million and division capital reserves expected to decline by \$465,000. Budget projections from schools indicates that student enrollment is expected to stabilize to pre-pandemic numbers, at approximately 11,000 students. The provincial government has invested substantial resources in career pathways, including internships, RAP placements and dual credit opportunities, which directly supports the divisional goal of Career Connections moving forward.

Three Year Education Plan (2021-2024):

The Board approved the Three Year Education Plan, which commences September 1, 2021. As Chinook's Edge continues to evolve towards the provincial government's Assurance Model, the Superintendency Team has shared ongoing, open and transparent strategic planning through multiple discussions in meetings with the Board throughout the year. The Education Plan reflects an ongoing contribution from the Board of Trustees, central office leaders, school based administrators, teachers, support staff, parents and students. It provides a look back, as well as a plan that will help establish priorities that guide division programming and chart a path for the future. It is designed to provide all stakeholders with goals and objectives for the enhancement of educational opportunities for students, and to keep school communities informed of the direction our division is committed to following. The Three Year Education Plan will be posted to the website on June 1st.

Under the Education Act, School Board responsibilities are to govern, advocate and promote. For more information please visit [About the Board](#).

The next meeting of the Board of Chinook's Edge School Division is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, June 23, 2021.

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