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The Board of Trustees and Central Office Leadership Team welcome students, staff, [families](#) and community partners to a [new year of learning](#) and growing together! The first day of school for students in Chinook's Edge is September 1st.

We look forward to seeing everyone in our safe and caring schools, where a [continued enhancement](#) of our [safety measures](#) are in place to protect all of our school communities.

Trustees look forward to hearing from our families and communities, as we prepare for the [Trustee Election](#) on October 18. We invite you to consider adding your voice and your skills to ensure Chinook's Edge continues to be the division where students come first! [Nomination deadline is September 20](#).

Chinook's Edge [welcomed 42 new teachers](#) at the annual three-day orientation and mentorship program, which is broadly considered to be one of the most extensive programs of its kind in Alberta.

The Board applauds the incredible commitment of the provincial government to address any learning gaps the pandemic may have caused among our youngest students. Their financial investment towards the specific learning needs of K-3 students in Chinook's Edge will prepare them for success throughout their future grades. The Board appreciates the diligent work of the Learning Services Team to determine specific [supports individual students](#) may require as the new school year gets underway.

The Board was pleased to approve the [Chinook's Edge 2021-2024 education plan](#), which provides details of the [division's three overall goals](#): academic excellence, social emotional well-being and career connections.

Central Alberta school divisions have collaborated once again to provide hundreds of young students with a better understanding of bus safety, through the [First Rider](#) bus safety event.

The Board is proud of Grade 12 students in each Chinook's Edge high school in Mountain View County, for being named [2021 Citizenship Award recipients](#).

As the Board continues to support solutions to ensure rural families have sufficient internet access to meet their children's learning needs, news of the provincial government's [broadband improvements](#) is most welcome.