Board of Trustees elected

The Lakeland Catholic School Board of Trustees was elected by acclamation on September 21.

Trustees elected for the 2021-2025 term are: Diane Bauer (Ward 1), Vincent MacDonald (Ward 1), Denise Sirois Tercier (Ward 1), Vicky Lefebvre (Ward 2), Mary Anne Penner (Ward 2), Anna Brockhoff (Ward 2), and Donna Cloutier (Ward 3).

Congratulations to all of our board members.

Ribbon Skirts

Central Office staff spent the morning of September 20 making Ribbon Skirts as part of their learning for truth and reconciliation.

Each person was asked to pick ribbon colours that held a special personal meaning to them.

In addition to sewing the skirts, staff learned about the significance of regalia to Indigenous Peoples.



Student artwork featured at St. Louis Parish



Artwork created by Lakeland Catholic School students was featured at the St. Louis Parish in Bonnyville.

The pieces were created for the Grassroots Movement Committee and are part of the St. Louis Parish's Orange Shirt Day and National Truth and Reconciliation display.

More photos of the artwork can be found at Ircssd.ca.



Orange Shirt Day

Across the Lakeland Catholic School Division, staff and students wore orange on September 29 as part of Orange Shirt Day. Schools were closed on September 30 in observation of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.



More photos can be found online at Ircssd.ca

Students run for Terry Fox

In September, Lakeland Catholic Schools took part in the annual Terry Fox Run, raising funds for the Terry Fox Foundation.

At Dr. Bernard Brosseau School, MD Peace Officer Rachel Rupp came by the cheer on the students. More photos are on our website: lrcssd.ca.





Hungry for the Homeless







Every year, École Notre Dame High School (NDHS) students collect Food Bank donations and fundraise for the Bonnyville Friendship Centre through their Hungry for the Homeless Campaign.

On September 23, students collected two NDHS buses worth of donations for the Food Bank and \$2,900 for the Friendship Centre. Check out our website Ircssd.ca for a full photo gallery from this event.

Schools cast their ballots

Students across the division cast their ballots as part of the CIVIX Student Vote in September.

A photo gallery from Assumption Jr/Sr High School's participation can be found on our website Ircssd.ca.

École Notre Dame High School golf teams win gold

École Notre Dame High School's boys' and girls' golf teams claimed gold at zones in late September. The teams were headed to provincials, however, the events were ultimately cancelled due to the pandemic.

In addition to claiming the winning title, two Grade 10 players on the boys' team found themselves among the top scorers of the event. Xavier Sylvestre finished with the best boy's score with 84, followed by Parker Hopf with the third best score of 91.

Wellness Challenge

Staff are participating in an ongoing Wellness Challenge. In September, groups had to count their blessings, share a prayer with a staff member, try a new recipe, and attend a fitness class, among others.

All of these challenges are designed to get staff thinking about their physical, mental, and spiritual wellness.

September's winner was St. Dominic Elementary, followed by École Notre Dame Elementary, and Central Office.



COVID-19 Update

In September, Lakeland Catholic began notifying parents when a positive case was identified in one of their child(ren)'s classes.

Since then, the Premier has announced the province will be stepping in and taking over contact tracing in the coming months.

Alberta Health has once again started publicly posting schools in alert: 2-4, alert: 5-9, and outbreak: 10+.

Since the announcement, Lakeland Catholic has sent a notice to parents informing them of the province's steps to stop the spread of COVID-19 and other respiratory illness in schools. A copy of the letter can be found on our website lrcssd.ca.

Additional information, documents, and helpful links regarding COVID-19 can be found on the COVID-19 Information page on our website.