

## EVERY STUDENT IS

- Known
- Valued
- Believed In



Saskatoon  
Public Schools

June 16, 2020

## FROM THE BOARD TABLE

### School division budget includes funds for more teachers, educational assistants

With a focus on maintaining class sizes and addressing students' needs, the Saskatoon Board of Education passed its budget for the 2020-21 academic year during its June 16 meeting. The budget includes expenses of \$278.3 million, an increase of \$6.6 million over last year.

Provincial government funding increased 3.7 per cent (\$8.3 million or \$85/student) for the year but this amount does not allow the school division to address projected enrolment growth and inflation for operating costs. The board will draw \$2 million from operating reserves to help address the \$4.2-million funding shortfall.

"While we faced a serious disruption to student learning this year, our overall enrollment and the number of students with special and complex needs both continued to grow without pause," said Board Chair Colleen MacPherson. "This budget maintains our focus on the classroom and supports for students, but our division's growing demands are far outpacing provincial funding."

The budget includes an increase of 29 teacher positions, which will allow class size ratios to remain the same as previous years. The hiring of 40 additional educational assistants reflects the need to support our most vulnerable learners.

Also during the meeting, trustees approved Wâhkôhtowin as the new name for Confederation Park Community School, home of the school division's Nêhiyawîwin Cree Language and Culture Program.

Through extensive community collaboration and a traditional naming ceremony that followed appropriate Cree culture protocol, Wâhkôhtowin (pronounced Wah-KOH-toh-win) was chosen. The word is a Nêhiyaw (Cree) word that means "relations/relationships/being related." The word is often used to describe kinship.

Reports and information presented at board meetings can be found at [saskatoonpublicschools.ca](http://saskatoonpublicschools.ca). The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Education, if required, is Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2020.

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# 2020-21 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

## Kindergarten – Grade 12

August 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
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September 2020						
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October 2020						
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November 2020						
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December 2020						
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January 2021						
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\* Start of Semester II

February 2021						
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March 2021						
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April 2021						
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May 2021						
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June 2021						
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\*last day for 9-12 students  
\*\*last day for K-8 students

- Stat Holidays
- No school for students or teachers
- All SPS facilities closed
- STA Convention
- PD/Operations (K-12 No students)
- PD/Operations (K-8 No students)
- PD/Operations (9-12 No students)
- Student First/Last Day



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