EVERY STUDENT IS

- Known
- Valued
- Believed In



April 13, 2022

FROM THE BOARD TABLE

Community partnerships highlighted for Board of Education

The contributions to students and learning made possible by partnership organizations were shared with trustees during the April 10 meeting of the Saskatoon Board of Education.

The school division's Partners 2021-22 document highlights the community connections that enhance academic excellence, character, engagement, and well-being.

Building partnerships within the wider community allows division staff to best serve students, families, and communities. Through the generosity of its partners, Saskatoon Public Schools can broaden the capacity of public education and provide experiences, resources, and services that support students' academic, physical, emotional, and spiritual growth.

The list of 40 partnerships for the current school year includes agencies and organizations that provide important support in areas such as health, culture, academic opportunities, safety, career education, and reconciliation initiatives. The complete partnership document can be viewed on the <u>school division website</u>.

In the same spirit, the Celebrating Excellence portion of the meeting highlighted the important work done by the Saskatoon Industry-Education Council (SIEC) during its 24-year partnership with the school division. Students are provided with unique, hands-on career exploration events and programs. These opportunities help them find a career that connects their passion and natural talents with current and future workforce needs. Representatives from the SIEC, along with a teacher and three Grade 7 students from Lakeridge School, spoke with trustees about the benefits of this partnership.

Reports and information presented at board meetings can be found at <u>saskatoonpublicschools.ca</u>. The next meeting of the Board of Education is Tuesday, May 10, 2022. Members of the public may attend regular board meetings virtually. Please contact <u>Estelle Allington</u>, executive assistant to the Board of Education, to request a link to the virtual meeting.

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Saskatoon Public Schools offers five exciting learning opportunities for elementary students.

iGen (Grade 6) Applications due Thurs. April 28 www.saskatoonpublicschools.ca/igen

Creative Action (Grade 8)
www.saskatoonpublicschools.ca/creativeaction

Ecoquest (Grade 8)
www.saskatoonpublicschools.ca/ecoquest

Let's Lead—Nīkānētān (Grade 8) www.saskatoonpublicschools.ca/letslead

ScienceTrek (Grade 8)
www.saskatoonpublicschools.ca/sciencetrek

These programs provide unique experiences through a hands-on approach to learning inside and outside of the classroom. The programs are open to any current students of Saskatoon Public Schools. Application is required.

Visit the program websites for more details.

GR. 8 APPLICATIONS DUE Friday, April 29, 2022





HOW CAN YOU HELP US KEEP OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY HEALTHY?

Keep following these public health recommendations:

- · Stay home if you are feeling unwell.
- Use a rapid test regularly to screen for Covid-19.
 Test kits are available through the school.
- If you test positive, stay home for at least five days and until symptoms lessen.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer often.
- Wear a mask if you wish. Masks are available in the school.
- · Get vaccinated and boosted.





IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL 14 Turnaround Day—Secondary students DO NOT ATTEND

APRIL 15 Good Friday—All SPS Facilities Closed

APRIL 18 All SPS Facilities Closed

APRIL 19-22 Spring Break—No classes for students and teachers

MAY 10 Saskatoon Board of Education Meeting

MAY 20 PD/Operations—Secondary students DO NOT ATTEND

MAY 23 Victoria Day-All SPS Facilities Closed