

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

From June 12, 2018 Meeting

For Immediate Release

Field Trip

The Board approved in principle for Hillside Jr/Sr High School to travel to Ottawa, schedule for November 18th – 24th, 2018, to participate in the Encounters with Canada program.

Encounters with Canada is a unique opportunity for Canadian teens to meet other young people from across the country. They spend an adventure-filled week in our nation's capital. Here they discover their country through each other, learn about Canadian institutions, meeting famous and accomplished Canadians, explore exciting career options, develop their civic leadership skills and live an extraordinary bilingual experience.

Provincial Transportation Survey

Student transportation is an integral part of the education system. The government continues to support a safe transportation system for approximately 300,000 Kindergarten to Grade 12 students across the province.

Further feedback and ideas from parents, school authorities, and stakeholders is required.

To share your thoughts and priorities on the student transportation criteria, please fill out the [online survey](#).

Joint meeting – Holy Family Catholic Division and Northern Gateway Public Schools

A joint meeting between Holy Family Catholic Division and Northern Gateway Public Schools was held on May 28, 2018 in Valleyview, AB. Items on the agenda included the following:

- Operation of Full-Time Kindergarten in the Community of Valleyview
- Language Identity for Public Education
- Joint Use Agreement with Town of Valleyview
- Transportation Agreement

PowerSchool Presentation

Presentation by Jennifer Ferguson – Learning Services Coordinator

What is PowerSchool – PowerSchool is the #1 leading education technology platform; a company whose student information system is driving the acquisition of other companies to become a unified solution.

They provide the industry's first Unified Classroom experience with best –in-class, secure, and compliant online solutions, including registration, student information systems, learning management and classroom collaboration, assessment, analytics, and special education management.

PowerSchool products used in Northern Gateway Public Schools:

- PowerSchool (student information)
- L4U (Library Resource Management)
- Atrieve (Human Resources, Payroll, Finance)

Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will take place **Tuesday, June 26, 2018** commencing at **5:00 p.m.** at the Division Office in Whitecourt. Members of the public are welcome to attend. For more information, please call 780-778-2800 or 1-800-262-8674.