



**April 22, 2020**

# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

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## **EICS Board of Trustees Advocacy Report**

### **Excellence in Teaching in EICS**

At the April 22, 2020 Elk Island Catholic Schools (EICS) Board of Trustees public meeting, the nominees and winners of two prestigious teaching awards were announced. The Alberta School Board Association of Alberta Edwin Parr Teaching Award and Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta both have annual awards and EICS is proud to be able to put forward so many nominees as a reflection of exceptional teaching that occurs every year across our school division.

### **Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta (CCSSA) Excellence in Catholic Teaching Award**

Each year the CCSSA honors one teacher or school administrator from each Catholic jurisdiction in the province who has done an exemplary job in preparing our youth to grow into outstanding Catholic citizens.

#### **2020 Nominees**

Jocelyn Beliveau	Jean Vanier Catholic School
Lana Froehler	Our Lady of Mount Pleasant Catholic School
Angela Prenoslo	Madonna Catholic School

#### **2020 CCSSA Winner**

Angela Prenoslo      Madonna Catholic School

### **Alberta School Board Association (ASBA) Edwin Parr Excellence in First Year Teaching Award**

Each year the ASBA honours six outstanding first-year teachers with the Edwin Parr Teacher Award. School boards may nominate any first-year K to 12 teacher who has taught in an Alberta school jurisdiction which is a member of the ASBA.

#### **2020 Nominees:**

Karly Chizawsky	Our Lady of Mount Pleasant Catholic School
Sarah Fairfull	Archbishop Jordan Catholic School
Amie Gartner	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School
Caitlin Lazarenko	Madonna Catholic School
Eliza Siewert	Archbishop Jordan Catholic School
Justine Wright	St. John XXIII Catholic School

#### **2020 Edwin Parr Winner and Zone 2/3 Nominee**

Caitlin Lazarenko      Madonna Catholic School

**NEXT MEETING  
MAY 27, 2020**

**Virtual Meeting**

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Next Meeting:  
Wednesday, May 27  
2:30 PM  
Virtual Meeting

## Renaming of Jean Vanier Catholic School

At the February 27, 2020 Public Board Meeting, a motion was made to initiate a renaming process for Jean Vanier Catholic School.

Thought Exchange was utilized to seek input and feedback from the community. A letter with all the information was emailed to all Jean Vanier staff and families. The information was placed on the school and EICS website and placed in the OLPH bulletin. The information was also shared with Archbishop Smith and L'Arche Canada.

Thought Exchange received 135 participants with 109 thoughts coming forward and 2626 stars rating the names.

Top three names:  
St. Nicholas  
The Good Shepherd  
Holy Trinity

After reviewing the results of the consultation, the EICS Board of Trustees unanimously supported the name of St. Nicholas Catholic School. Once the Archdiocese of Edmonton supports this change, EICS will begin the school branding/logo/signage process in consultation with the school community.

## EICS School Year Fee Schedule 2020-2021

The EICS Board of Trustees were presented with the EICS School Year Fee Schedule for 2020-2021. The following fees are approved every year by the EICS Board of Trustees:

- Basic Instructional Fees (no longer permitted under Bill 1)
- Non-funded student fees for international students, Chesterton Academy Online
- Student Transportation fees
- Chargeback rates for EICS busses providing field trip services
- Rental rates for community use of EICS facilities

All of the fees are available to view on the EICS Fees web page located at:  
<https://www.eics.ab.ca/parents-and-students/school-fees>

As well, EICS has created an information sheet for our parent community on the current fee/refunds for this school year and process for fees for the 2020-2021 school year. This document is on the front of the EICS website located at [www.eics.ab.ca](http://www.eics.ab.ca)

## REAL Friends of the Foundation Golf Tournament Update

Trustee Boisvert shared with the EICS Board of Trustees a letter from the REAL Foundation in reference to the May 20, 2020 Friends of the Foundation Golf Tournament. Due to the current public health restrictions, the golf tournament has been cancelled for this year. More information will be forthcoming as to whether it will be postponed until the Fall of 2020 or perhaps the Spring of 2021. Trustee Boisvert also shared with the Trustees that the Foundation is still very appreciative of those individuals who would still like to support the Foundation as a charitable donation and interested individuals can reach out directly to the REAL Foundation via the website at [www.real-foundation.com](http://www.real-foundation.com)