



## BOARD HIGH LIGHTS

### Board Highlights for the East Central Francophone Meeting September 29, 2020

#### COVID-19 Update

An update of the measures undertaken since the last board meeting is provided to the trustees. Students and school teams are becoming more comfortable with the new COVID-19 related routines. A report of the enrollments to date in the schools is also provided. Presently the trend shows a 4.9% decrease in enrollment compared to the 2019-2020 school year. A dozen CSCE students continue their learning supported by the CFÉD virtual program. In early October, the management team will pursue its analysis of school staffing to determine if adjustments are needed. The Board wishes to acknowledge its appreciation for the continued commitment of all school principals, teachers, support staff, children's services staff and central office staff !

#### Federal funds for school relaunch

The CSCE has been granted \$ 400,000 in the deployment of federal funds given to the provinces for the start of the school year.

With these funds, additional support staff were hired to support school teams in managing new health, distancing and cohort measures. Additional hours were added to our custodial contracts so as to ensure cleaning during the school day. Additional personal protective equipment and disinfection products were purchased.

#### Early childhood services

The early childhood services currently being offered in CSCE schools are:

- École du Sommet offers PreK four mornings a week;
- Ste-Catherine, Beauséjour and Beaux-Lacs offer PreK1 five mornings a week and an afternoon daycare service for these children.
- In addition to the PreK and daycare services offered, École Voyageur offers a "before and after" school childcare service..

The programs offered at Voyageur are greatly appreciated by parents. Some schools have tried to offer these child care



services but either there is not enough interest or there is a lack of certified staff. Preschools are very important for recruitment in our schools and also provide added opportunity for language learning at a very young age.

Also, in order to meet the requirements of the Department of Children's Services, the Department of Education and the Orders of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, a CSCE children's services relaunch plan was developed and shared with all stakeholders.

## Next Board Meeting

The next CSCE Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 27, 2020.

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