

School Division Updates

Hello neighbour!

In October 2022, I was elected School Trustee for this incredible community. Since then, I have been working alongside my fellow trustees toward meaningful change in the Winnipeg School Division. I am proud to share some highlights as we prepare to begin the 2023/2024 school year.

In addition to serving on the school board, I have taken the time to connect with students, families, teachers and administrators through school tours, events, and celebrations. It is my priority to stay closely connected to this community and the constituents I serve. Please know that I am always eager to hear your ideas and concerns. Please visit my website at www.annevangelista.ca or email me at annevangelistaforschooltrustee@gmail.com



Welcome Chief Superintendent/ CEO Matt Henderson

This August the Winnipeg School Division Board of Trustees announced the appointment of Matt Henderson as the new Chief Superintendent/CEO. Matt officially takes over the role on September 7, 2023. He has served as the assistant superintendent for Seven Oaks School Division and was the founding principal of the Maples Met School. He has taught Grades 5-12, is a PhD

Candidate at the University of Manitoba, and is an instructor at the University of Winnipeg. I was proud to be involved in Matt's recruitment and selection as part of the school board. We are thrilled to welcome this passionate, inspiring educator to the Winnipeg School Division.

Thank you Pauline Clarke

Thanks to outgoing Chief Superintendent/CEO Pauline Clarke for her incredible dedication to the Winnipeg School Division. Pauline is retiring after an impressive 53-year career in education. She was instrumental in establishing several innovative programs including the Children of the Earth High



School and Niji Mahkawa School and created countless partnerships, committees, and boards that benefitted WSD students. I wish her a wonderful retirement.

No Budget Cuts, Education Assistant Positions Added

As part of our 2023 budget, 25 Education Assistant Positions were added. This additions help to meet the growing demand for teacher support and inclusive education throughout the division. The budget also added six teaching positions designated for the division's bilingual programs. No programs or positions were cut as part of the budget. While the provincial government provided a welcome increase of \$8.3 million, this increase does not keep up with the pressures of inflation. As the province's largest school division, we continue to advocate for enhanced provincial funding to meet the needs of our students, teachers, and administration.

New Filipino Bilingual Program

In December 2022 we announced that a new Filipino bilingual program would be introduced to the Winnipeg School Division. The program is being launched at Meadows West School in September 2023. This community-driven initiative promotes the preservation of Filipino culture and language while sending a message to Filipino students that their heritage is worth celebrating. The Winnipeg School Division currently offers bilingual programs in Ukrainian, French, Spanish, Hebrew, Cree and Ojibwe.







As School Trustee, I am currently representing my community on the following committees and councils:

- Policy/Program Committee Member
- North District Advisory Council Trustee Representative
- Building and Transportation Committee -Trustee Representative
- Newcomer Advisory Committee Representative
- French Immersion Advisory Committee Representative
- Pension Committee Meeting Representative
- Governance Committee Active Attendance
- Student Advisory Committee active attendance
- Finance and Personnel Committee Active Attendance
- Inclusive Education Committee Active Attendance
- Children's Heritage Fund Active Attendance



I am honoured to be connecting with my community in the following ways:

- Conducted School Visits to Waterford Springs School, École Secondaire Sisler High School, Tyndall Park Community School and Andrew Mynarski School
- Brought greetings to graduates of École Secondaire Sisler High School and Stanley Knowles School
- Attended Parent Council meetings for Ward 9 Schools
- Attended the Throne Speech at the Manitoba Legislature
- Attended centennial celebrations for David Livingston School and Grosvenor School
- Participated in a meeting with MLA for Burrows
- Attended the Filipino Bilingual Program Open House, January 31, 2023
- Spoke on behalf of the School Board at a Vancouver Film School/Schroeder Foundation Scholarship presentation to CREATE students at École Secondaire Sisler High School
- Attended the Filipino Street Festival, June 24 & 25
- Attended the 'Level Up' event at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights
- Participated in the Keep the Fires Burning event celebrating Indigenous resilience, relationship and reconciliation

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