

CCSTA REPORT

1. Opening Day Events:

- Divisions continued to work with Bishops and local clergy to celebrate Mass and provide faith-filled celebrations, with most divisions moving to virtual formats due to the pandemic.
- Guest speakers, virtual retreats, service awards and welcome programming continued, as much as possible, with format adjustments as required.

2. Pandemic Response:

- Pandemic plans are in place.
- These plans have become more refined after a year.
- The Provincial Government normally creates a 10- year Provincial Education Plan that all school divisions in the province follow and use as a basis for their strategic planning. Due to the pandemic over the last couple of years, the Ministry implemented an Interim Provincial Education Plan (some funding provided) where all school divisions were to address:
 - Mental Health
 - Reading focus for grades to grade 3
 - Learning Supports for all students who are in need
- All school divisions are creating a Vaccination Procedure to require vaccinations for staff, bus drivers, contractors, anyone who works in our buildings. Accommodations for proof of a negative rapid test are in place for those who cannot provide proof of vaccination. Plans are being made for the expected vaccinations of ages 5-11.

3. Enrolments:

- Initial enrolment trends indicated that numbers were aligned with projections for 3 divisions and slightly less for the remaining 5.
- Changes in enrolment patterns differed by division. Some had lower numbers for early learners while others had higher numbers of early learners. Some had lower numbers of international students.

4. Truth and Reconciliation

- All School Divisions are committed to working and walking with our Indigenous, elders, knowledge keepers and communities to learn and walk together.
- The Directors of every Catholic School Division have created their own professional learning community to create best practices for ways of learning and walking together in Truth and Reconciliation

5. Advocacy

SCSBA is meeting with our Bishops and the Archbishop in November to continue important conversations about faith development, relationships and Truth and Reconciliation, and of course updates

6. AGM

SCSBA held a virtual AGM in November 2021.