



- Sunrise School Division will once again be able to offer a series of leadership training opportunities through our Developing Leaders cohort this Spring. Teachers from across the division were invited to attend 4 evening sessions where the Superintendent's department provides learning around different topics in the realm of instructional leadership. The attached invitation gives you an idea of the type of learning that will be undertaken at these sessions. In the past, our cohort has seen 20 to 30 participants, some of whom have gone on to become team leaders, informal school leaders, or administrators at our schools.
- Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning (MEECL) shared correspondence with school divisions that the Grade 10 English Language Arts and Mathematics Provincial Assessments as well as the Grade 12 English Language Arts, Mathematics and Français exams will not take place in school divisions across the province beginning in the 2024-25 school year. MEECL is pausing the practice to review and revise the way in which provincial standards testing is done at the Senior Years level.
- In accordance with *The French Immersion Policy in Manitoba* (2023), as of September 2024, students starting Grade 9 must earn a **minimum of 15 credits from courses taught in French** of the 30 required to obtain a provincial French immersion diploma. The additional required credit from a course taught in French must be earned in either **Grade 11 or 12**. In other words, as of 2027/28, all French immersion students must have earned a minimum of **15 credits** from courses taught in French in order to obtain a provincial French immersion diploma.
- Trustees from across the province will be attending their annual Conference and AGM on March 21 and March 22 in Winnipeg. There will be several keynote speakers and other learning sessions leading up to the Manitoba School Boards Association Annual General Meeting. Our Board will be well-represented at this event and will work hard to make sure that the voices of our communities are heard at the provincial level.
- Spring Break for staff and students is fast approaching. The last day that schools will be open is Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> and will re-open again on Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Schools are open on Easter Monday which is April 1<sup>st</sup> this year even though some other provincial sectors are closed.
- The 2024-2025 school calendar dates have been shared with school divisions by the province. The following dates are now known and set:

Start of the 2024/25 school year is Tuesday, September 3, 2024  
Last day of classes before Christmas break is Friday, December 20, 2024  
First day of classes after Christmas break is Monday, January 6, 2025  
Spring Break is between Monday, March 31 and Friday, April 4, 2025  
Last day of the 2024/25 school year is Friday, June 27, 2025

Each division sets their own 10 professional development and administration days throughout the calendar year. Sunrise will consult with partner divisions, with school administration, with operational managers, and will bring a calendar to the Board for approval in April 2024.

***Sunrise staff and students keep working together to achieve great things.***