



**Superintendent's Report  
February 20, 2024**

- The Board is on track to draft and pass a 2024-25 budget at their first meeting in March 2024. They will host a draft budget presentation on Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Sunrise Education Centre. We encourage all stakeholders to join us for the presentation of our work on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and provide valuable feedback prior to the March 5, 2024 Regular Board meeting.
- 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.
- Adult Education Centres in Manitoba will no longer be using the General Educational Development (GED) test as a high school equivalency certificate. Beginning May 3, 2024, The Canadian Adult Education Credential (CAEC) will replace the GED as a means to assess high school equivalency. Manitobans who have started the GED preparation process are encouraged to complete the full test series before May. Those who have passed some GED tests will be able to have those tests applied towards their CAEC for up to three years. Employers can recognize both the GED and CAEC as equivalent certificates.
- 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.
- 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 students are focused on getting the most  
out of their educational experiences!***