



February 13, 2024

To: BRSD Families  
From: Rhae-Ann Holoien, Superintendent of Schools

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Subject: BRSD February Updates

January was quite a busy month within BRSD schools. We made it through some of the coldest weather of the year.

February marks the opening of student registration for the 2024-25 school year. I want to thank Evie from Forestburg School for being the voice of our [Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration](#) radio ad. If you have a student to register for early learning or kindergarten, you may now register on our website. As well, I would like to thank École Sifton students, Riley and Elise, for creating this [video](#) about our amazing French Immersion Program. We have late French Immersion programming available as well.

At the end of spring break in March, BRSD's Division Office will be relocated to 4316 38 Street in Camrose. This site has been under renovations, and we anticipate that division office staff will move at the end of March. This move marks a strategic decision aimed at enhancing operational efficiency and providing us opportunities to host our own professional learning events and meetings. We are excited to transition and will ensure we communicate specific dates closer to the move.

Any parents or guardians with students in Grades 4, 7, and 10 should have received a letter in the mail to fill out an Alberta Education Assurance Survey. These survey results support us in our strategic planning as a division and within each of our schools. The [Annual Education Results Report](#) highlights many of the survey results. We thank you for your time in sending the survey back to Alberta Education.

Our January [Board Highlights](#) report touches on some of the great opportunities our students have in BRSD. This includes Dual Credit opportunities through Olds College, Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) which supports students to work in industry as registered apprentices, many Locally Developed Courses to expand programming opportunities, and Work Experience which also enhances core programming in our schools.

We are sharing very important reminders about the dangers of carbon monoxide.

- [Alberta Health](#): Carbon monoxide poisoning
- [Health Canada](#): Carbon monoxide information, symptoms, and prevention of carbon monoxide poisoning

It is crucial that we talk to our children about the serious consequences of carbon monoxide poisoning. This [CBC news article](#) explains how carbon monoxide can be pulled into an idling vehicle. We want to ensure our children are aware of what may happen with idling vehicles especially in the cold weather.

I hope everyone has a chance to enjoy Family Day.

Sincerely,

Rhae-Ann Holoien  
Superintendent of Schools