

# Glen Allan School Council September 19, 2024 Administrator's Report

#### 1. Introduction

- o Honoured to be the principal at Glen Allan Elementary for my forth year
- o I am a product of Elk Island Public Schools having completed all of my K-12 schooling in Sherwood Park.
- $\circ$  This is my 25<sup>rd</sup> year working with EIPS.
  - I believe my purpose is to light up for others, I strive to intentionally ensure that every student, staff, parent and caregiver that I interact with feel seen and heard. I love starting my mornings in the drop off loop. I know that for each of those students, at least once in that day, someone has "seen them" greeted them, said their name
  - I also believe it is my responsibility to ensure all our Glen Allan learners have a safe and welcoming school environment, where they can engage in their learning and foster positive relationships with one another. It is also my responsibility to support our staff who are an incredibly caring and committed team in their roles to support student learning.
  - I welcome feedback and open to conversations. Guided by the thinking that "clear is kind" meaning I will be as transparent as possible in sharing information with parents.

## 2. Welcome New Staff

- Crystal Brownlee Assistant Principal
- Chantal Harry School Counsellor
- o Andrea Nent Grade 6 Teacher returning to GLN
- o Amy Barry Grade 6 Teacher returning to GLN part-time
- o Kathy Roche Educational Assistant returning to GLN
- o Amber-Lea Parker Noon Hour Supervisor

# 3. Budget & Enrollment

- o 2024-25 Budget just under \$2.2 million dollars
- o Current Enrollment is 284 students. The same as our projected spring numbers

	Grade	Teacher	Count	Total/Grade
2 Kindergarten Classes	KA	Mrs. Shannon	20	40
	KB	Mrs. Delainey	20	
1 Grade 1 Class	1	Mrs. Balog	26	26
1 Grade 2 Class	2	Mrs. Curran	25	Grade 2 = 39

1 Grade 2 /3 Combined Class 1 Grade 3 Class	2/3	Mrs. Foley	26	Grade 3 = 38
	3	Mrs. Miles da Silva	29	
2 Grade 4 Classes	4	Ms. Halcrow	25	49
	4	Mrs. Lastiwka / Mrs. Ganemtore	24	
1 Grade 5 Class	5	Mrs. Westergaard /Mrs. Robinson	35	35
2 Grade 6 Classes	6	Ms. Nent / Ms. Barry	29	- 58
	6	Ms. Budney	29	
Total				284
October 1 Total (new students starting October 1)			+ 3	287

#### 4. Communication

- Weekly BUZZ school messenger & BUZZ Blog Post
- Shift in types of photos published in photo galleries

# 5. What's happened over the summer at Glen Allan Elementary?

- Roof Repairs
- o 4 New Vestibules
- New Windows

- Current work being done to replace water damage in a classroom wall
- Cleared the stage

### 6. What's new for 2024-25

- Fit Kids KA Fridays
- Playground Design Process with GASC
  - Survey opened up Monday 34 responses as of Thursday afternoon
    - 11 parents/caregivers
    - 3 staff members
    - 20 students
- o Library Mrs. Brownlee, Mrs. Camp and an amazing group of parent volunteers
- Winter Showcase 2.0
  - Save-the-Dates
    - December 10 KB in the afternoon
    - December 11 KA in the afternoon
    - December 11 Grades 1-6 in the evening
  - Listened to feedback cleared the stage, will have stage lighting and dimmed audience lighting, add decor (parent help for this), secured seating again from Wes Hosford
  - Best Seats in the House fundraising opportunity if interested
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring Program

# 7. Proposed GLN Funding Requests

GLN Funding Request	Proposed Request	Previously Distributed	
	for 2024-25	(2023-24)*	
Classroom Discretional	\$2870.00	\$2890.00	
\$10/Student	(287 students)	(289 students)	
Clubs and Miscellaneous	\$750.00	\$750.00	
Requests			
Library Fund	No request	Originally requested \$500 –	
		rescinded request	
FitKids*	\$5000.00	\$7000.00	
Field Trip Bus	One trip to the city per grade		
	(one grade needs accessibility bus)		
	• 7 x \$250 - \$300		
	• 1 x \$500		
	\$2600.00		
TOTAL	\$10810.00	\$10640.00	

## **CRYSTAL**

- 8. First Nations, Metis and Inuit
  - o Proposal and Projects for the year
    - Glen Allan's Proposal grant was approved this year for \$5 480.
      - Teachers and students will continue PL with the First Nations, Metis, and Inuit learning team. Focus on 13 Moons learning, Land Acknowledgments, land-based learning and curriculum outcome support.
      - School wide art project led by an Indigenous Artisian.
      - Drummer and Hoop dancer presentation.
  - o National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day
    - Glen Allan Elementary will recognize Orange Shirt Day on Friday, September 27. September 30 is the official Orange Shirt Day, coinciding with National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.
    - As a school we will not be coordinating a sale of orange shirts but would like to direct families to the <u>Orange Shirt Society</u> where orange shirt retailers can be found in addition to information and resources related to orange shirt day. Information has been shared in the weekly BUZZ of locally Indigenous owned business that are also selling Orange Shirts.
  - Opportunities for learning for students (giant floor map, blanket exercise, smudging, school wide art project, land acknowledgments) and parents –will be

collaborating with Wes Hosford to host a giant floor map family evening. Is there interest in hosting an evening for blanket exercise?

- First Nation, Metis and Inuit Teaching will be built into Library time sharing of Indigenous literacy, use of Edu Kits (Giant Floor Map, Traditional Games, Fur Trade, Blanket Exercise)
- First Edukit will be arriving in the middle of October—the giant floor map. Classes will learn on the map with lessons created by our First Nations, Metis, and Inuit learning team.