

2021

JUNE BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

**TO LEARN. TO GROW.
TO BUILD A BETTER WORLD.**

PRESENTATION

Medicine Hat & District Food Bank - Brown Bag Lunch Program

Melissa Mullis, Brown Bag Lunch Coordinator presented to the Board, showing the program highlights and how they adjusted creatively to meet the needs of our community during the pandemic. MHPSD has partnered with the Food bank for many years to deliver lunches to students who need them. When students were learning from home over the winter months, the food bank created an at-home delivery/pick up program where children or families could register on-line to receive a weekly lunch kit.

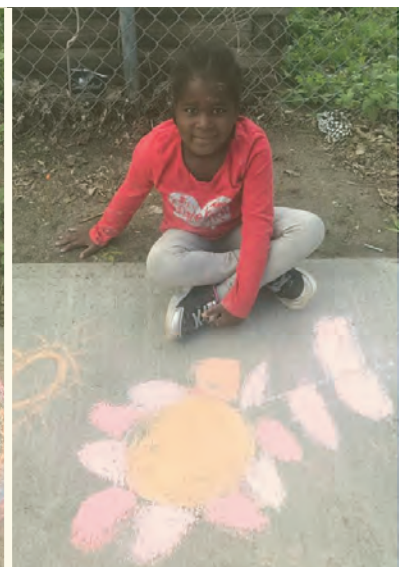


The program was supported through a partnership with MHPSD and other jurisdictions, a community working together to give children access to proper nutrition. Upon returning to in person learning, the food bank continued to offer delivery/pickup weekly lunch kits, allowing children to build skills, make their own enjoyable lunches and eat with dignity. This shift in program delivery helped the food bank staff reach brown bag lunch families like never before, developing relationships to help sustain food security. Because of this program and the positive changes over the last year our students can continue to focus on learning instead of hunger. The brown bag lunch kits will be available for delivery/pick-up over the summer months, children or families can register on-line.

- **Brown Bag Lunch Program Online Registration**



Elm Street students
brighten up the
sidewalk



ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. School Fees

The 2021-2022 School Fee Schedule was approved as presented.

- **2021-2022 Fee Schedule**

2. Medicine Hat High School Logos

The Board approved new logos for Medicine Hat High School as presented.

- **Policy 210.2: Team Names, Logos, Colours and Mascots**



3. New Virtual School for 2021-2022

MHPSD ran Medicine Hat At-home Learning School - The Hub for students in 2020-2021 during the COVID-19 pandemic. The program was well received with 448 registered students. For 2021-2022 there are 104 students that want to continue with the format, and many more that are interested across the province. As an emerging delivery format, the Board approved the creation and registration of a permanent **Virtual School**, which will be referred to as **The Hub** until an official naming process is undertaken.

- **June 2021 Board Package**

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 25 - Last day of school for students

Aug 30 - First day of classes for students

RECOGNITION & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Public School Boards' Association of AB (PSBAA) Award Nomination

Darrell Willier, First Nations Métis & Inuit Coordinator was recognized on behalf of the PSBAA for being nominated for the Promoting and Advancing the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada as it relates to education in Alberta Award. We are proud of the work that Darrell does to focus on First Nation, Métis and Inuit student success in school as well as broadening the understanding of all members of our school community regarding Indigenous cultures, history and ways of learning.

2021 Graduates & Retirees

Congratulations to all of our 2021 graduates and staff retirees, we wish you all the best in the future. Click for a list of retirees.



TREATY 7 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy and the people of Treaty 7 Region in Southern Alberta. We honour and acknowledge the homeland of the Métis people. We are grateful for the traditional Knowledge Keepers and Elders who are still with us today and those who have gone before us.

FIVE UNIVERSAL GOALS

1. Provide **optimal learning environments** to all learners
2. Approach all people with an **inclusive mindset**
3. Foster a **culture of wellness**
4. Develop **leadership skills** among all members of the school community
5. Determined **focus on First Nations, Métis and Inuit student success**

MHPSD, WHERE KIDS COUNT!

NEXT BOARD MEETING SEPT 28, 2021

5:30 p.m. Meetings will be held in person in the board room at MHPSD's central office 601 1st Ave SW.

