

Board Highlights

Canadian Rockies Public Schools

Highlights From March 22, 2017 Public School Board Meeting

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Upcoming Events

Gear Up For Kindergarten

Canmore Program April 25—
 May 30

Banff Program April 26—
 May 31

Kindergarten Registrations—
 Ongoing

Schools Closed

Spring Break April 3—14

School Council Meeting Dates

BCHS—April 17
 Alpenglow—April 18
 CCHS—April 18
 BES—April 19
 LGMS—April 20
 ERS—TBD

Next Public School Board Meeting

April 26 , 2017
 7:00 p.m.— ERS

618—7th Avenue
 Canmore, AB, T1W 2H5
 (403) 609-6072
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Banff Elementary School Update

Banff Elementary School construction is ahead of schedule for Phase 1 with an opening date scheduled for September 2017. The second phase of construction for BES has been approved by the provincial government and will move forward once the required tendering process is complete. This second phase will involve demolition of the old building, and a construction phase which will include installation of solar panels and CTS labs. It will also include a gym expansion through a funding partnership with the Town of Banff.

Canadian Rockies Science Fair Fund

A \$25,000 fund has been created through the Banff - Canmore Community Foundation from an anonymous donor to support the ongoing success of the annual Bow Valley Science Fair. These funds will be used to subsidize costs associated with participation such as awards and prizes, and transportation to the Canada-Wide Science Fair. Funds will also be granted for teacher training on topics related to the organization and execution of successful science fairs, and mentoring support for science fair participants who wish to further develop their science fair projects.

Congratulations to BCHS teacher and science fair champion, Shari Worobey, on this exciting news!



High School Alignment

The steering committee formed to work on the process of aligning Banff Community High School and Canmore Collegiate High School continues to meet and collaborate on how to serve our students better. The committee's focus is to ensure both high schools remain vibrant and viable within each community and continue to provide educational opportunities which support the needs of our students.

The committee's presentation that was provided at the public school board meeting has been added to the [CRPS website](#). It outlines the background and history of this discussion, steps taken to date, and the direction for moving forward. A proposed timetabling option has been drafted and is available for viewing as part of the presentation.

CRPS Leadership Grant

CRPS's leadership initiatives have been recognized provincially through the extension of the Leadership Grant Agreement. This funding will be used to continue support for professional learning for staff and administrators, in addition to continuing the research being undertaken in collaboration with the U of C.

Superintendent Appointment

Canadian Rockies Public School Division wishes to congratulate our Superintendent, Christopher MacPhee, on his recent appointment as [President of CASS \(College of Alberta School Superintendents\)](#). His one-year term is effective July 1st, 2017. Mr. MacPhee has served on the CASS Board of Directors for the past two years.



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