

Committee of the Whole Meeting | March 8, 2021

All reports for this meeting can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3kWwRom>

Student Trustee Selection for 2021-22 School Year

Grand Erie's Student Trustees for the 2021-22 school year were announced on Monday. Elected to represent students from the north (Brantford and Brant County) is **Reilly Mitchell** (North Park Collegiate and Vocational School). **Carson Kitchen** (Simcoe Composite School) will represent students from the south (Haldimand and Norfolk County). Representing Indigenous students across Grand Erie will be **Sierra Green** (McKinnon Park Secondary School).

This report supports the Achievement indicator of Grand Erie's Multi-Year Plan through the following statement: "We will set high expectations for our students and staff." This report also supports the Equity indicator and the following statement: "We will promote practices that help students, families and staff feel safe, welcomed and included." To read the report, see page 18 here: <https://bit.ly/3kWwRom>

Director's Report

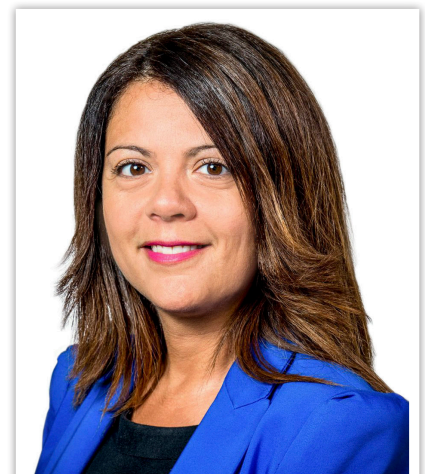
Virtual Learning Academy 2021-22 Parent Survey

Grand Erie is looking for feedback from families on the Virtual Learning Academy for the 2021 – 2022 school year. A School Messenger was sent to all Grand Erie families on March 4 asking them to participate in a short survey. The survey was also shared via social media and posted on the home page of the Grand Erie website. This valuable input from families within our school community will allow Grand Erie to understand interest in the Virtual Learning Academy and support effective planning. Surveys must be completed by Friday, March 12, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

GEPIC Virtual Speaker Series

Presented by the Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee, this spring speaker series will be held on April 1, 8 22, 29 at 6:30 p.m. Topics include: Parenting in a Pandemic, Indigenous Education and Reconciliation, How to be an Ally for Marginalized Students, and Mental Health & Well-Being During Covid-19.

For more information, visit: <https://bit.ly/3v4Dbiv>



JoAnna Roberto,
Director of Education

International Women's Day

Monday marked International Women's Day, celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women everywhere. On this day, we recognize the amazing women and girls who contribute to our vibrant school communities. This year's theme was **#ChooseToChallenge** and calling out inequality. At Grand Erie, we are committed to building an inclusive world for our students and educators.

Additional Items

The following Policies and Procedures will be sent out for comment:

- **Policy F7** – Disclosure of Wrongdoing
- **SO14** – Equity and Inclusive Education
- **FT107** – Asbestos

The following Policies were recommended for approval:

- **SO24 Copyright** – Fair Dealing Guidelines
- **F101** – Hospitality and Food Expenses
- **P102** – Procedures for Experiential Learning Programs

Transportation Update

Grand Erie approved the transportation route exceptions listed in this report for the 2021-22 School Year. The Student Transportation services of Brant Haldimand Norfolk Annual Report on transportation services for the 2020-21 school year was approved to be received as information.

Multi-Year Plan Stories

In 2016, Grand Erie approved a new strategic direction to guide the work that the school board is doing. At the centre of this Multi-Year Plan is Success for Every Student. Grand Erie will achieve Success for Every Student through a focus on students and staff in a culture of high expectations. The six indicators that support the Multi-Year Plan are: Achievement, Community, Environment, Equity, Technology and Well-Being. The following stories showcase some of the most recent stories related to the Multi-Year Plan.

Achievement

Getting to Know Grand Erie: Lisa Mallette, Clerical Support, Communications and Community Relations: <https://bit.ly/38mrNVi>

Getting to Know Grand Erie: Casidy Guzar, English as a Second Language (ESL)/English Literacy Development (ELD) Teacher Consultant: <https://bit.ly/3chft9U>

Community

Voluntary Asymptomatic COVID-19 Testing Available for Grand Erie Staff: <https://bit.ly/3v3aang>