

The Leader

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Regular Meeting of the Board

October 17, 2022

All reports for this meeting can be found here: https://bit.ly/3s4Sd7D

Learning Summit

Prior to the Board meeting commencing on Monday evening, Grand Erie hosted its first Learning Summit, showcasing strategies in action and outcomes for the 2021-22 school year, as documented in the Annual Learning and Operating Plan for the 2021-22 school year. The full plan can be found **here**. The positive outcomes presented are the result of many dedicated staff members working toward impactful and interconnected goals around the Multi-Year Strategic Plan's mission and vision.

Presenters included Kevin Graham with Robin Staats, Joe Tice, Suzie Miller and Jeannie Martin; Wayne Baker with Pete Ashe and Jackie Boyer; Rafal Wyszynski with Domenic Maniccia and Allison Cole; Jennifer Tozer with Diane De Vos; Lisa Munro with Mario Barricelli, Mark Kolenc, Julie White and Jason Hall; April Smith with Alison Cooke, Brenda Stone, Tara Duncan-Smith, Ellen Banbury, Regan Vankerrebroeck, Greg Rowe, Erica Deserranno and Sarah Purdy; and Dave Smouter with Jenny Gladish.

The Annual Learning and Operating Plan for the current school year can be found **here**.



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Director's Report Highlights

Indigenous Literature Award

Three Grand Erie students are the recent recipients of Indigenous Literature awards, recognizing their commitments to reconciliation efforts, demonstrated during completion of the Grade 11 Understanding Contemporary First Nations, Métis, and Inuit



Voices course. Organized by Good Minds, the locally owned Indigenous business and leading source of Indigenous education resources for schools and libraries in North America, the recipients include Berkeley Harris of Dunnville Secondary School, Emilia Crown of Dunnville Secondary School, and Mackenzie Forbes of McKinnon Park Secondary School.

Take Our Kids to Work Day

The Learning Partnership is offering helpful resources to guide Grand Erie Guidance departments with Take Our Kids to Work Day, taking place November 2. Grand Erie secondary schools will have supports for Grade 9 students, along with their parents/caregivers and teachers, by providing diverse, inclusive, and accessible career exploration. Students and families can also participate in virtual events from home.

Secret Path Week

October 17 to 21 marks Secret Path Week, a national movement commemorating the legacies of Gord Downie and Chanie Wenjack, and reenforcing our commitments to reconciliation efforts and meaningful learning. A variety of tools and resources are available, and several schools are taking part in **Walk for Wenjack** events to raise awareness of the history and legacy of Canada's residential school system.



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Multi-Year Plan Stories

In 2021, 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 the vision to Learn, Lead and Inspire, and a mission to build a culture Learning, Well-Being and Belonging for each learner.

The following stories showcase some of the most recent stories related to the Multi-Year Strategic Plan.

Learning

- Celebrating World Teachers' Day: https://granderie.ca/board/news/celebratingworld-teachers-day
- These Cayuga High School Students are Teaching Hundreds of Peers About Reconciliation: https://www.thespec.com/news/hamiltonregion/2022/09/30/these-cayuga-high-school-students-are-teachinghundreds-of-peers-about-reconciliation.html

Belonging

 Edith Monture Elementary School Naming Event a 'Teachable Moment': https://granderie.ca/board/news/edith-monture-elementary-school-namingevent-teachable-moment



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