

# **March 2023 School Council Reports**

## **PHPS Trustee and BCHS Administration**

### **TRUSTEE REPORT FOR BCHS SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

March 1, 2023

1. Pembina Hills 3 year capital plan now has only one project — the right sizing and modernization of BCHS. If this is approved, it will be posted on the Pembina Hills newsfeed.
2. Provincial budget will provide continued funding for learning supports.
3. School Council Engagement Grant has been extended to the end of this school year. Check with your school council chair for the application process, and deadlines.
4. Since January 11, the board has visited 2 more community schools at Fort Assiniboine and Swan Hills. In Swan Hills, there was a “Student Voice” discussion which will be a feature of future school visits.
5. The board has been working with the Pembina Hills communication person to develop some election strategies for the development of questions which the board and/or the public can use if they attend election candidate forums, or if they encounter a candidate at other times. Please look for future posts on the Pembina Hills website and Facebook page.
6. The Minister’s Youth Council is accepting nominations of grades 7-12. School administration has the details. The deadline for completing the application for recommended student(s) is March 24.

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## **BCHS Administration Report**

- Alberta Education Assurance Online Survey – students and staff are completing this week; parent survey information packages were mailed out by Alberta Education; deadline for survey completion is March 17, 2023.
- New student orientation process planning is occurring now, with orientation sessions planned for after Spring Break.
- BCHS administration met with Sr. Administration to discuss staff planning for next year. Results from student surveys indicate a need for enhanced wellness and mental health support and counselling.
- BCHS calendar for 2023-2024 includes 4 collaborative days – October 27, November 24, March 8, and May 3. These are days when, due to required hours of instruction for jr. high as opposed to sr. high, junior high students will not attend school. Jr. high teachers will have time for planning & collaboration with colleagues at BCHS and other district schools.
- Professional development planning focus on subject area collaboration within BCHS and then with district schools to better identify baseline expectations and assessments, common testing tools and resources, etc.