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November 28, 2018

# FROM THE BOARD TABLE

# Aden Bowman Collegiate art project honours Métis history

A unique partnership between Aden Bowman Collegiate, Saskatoon Transit and the Métis community was highlighted during the Celebrating Excellence portion of the Nov. 27 Board of Education meeting.

A bus shelter located at the school was transformed into a piece of art that recognizes the history of the school's location as the site of a Métis community garden. The bus shelter was designed by students in consultation with Métis Senator Elder Nora Cummings, and its unique, metal-cut walls represent and share the story. Learn more at saskatoonpublicschools.ca/adenbowman.

Other highlights from the meeting were:

- Trustees received an update on mathematics education. Teachers are expanding instructional strategies to build number sense and provide support to First Nation and Métis students and English language learners. Gains in computational fluency among students, and the ability to respond quickly to the needs of teachers and students, are being realized as a result of professional learning opportunities for teachers. The update shared examples of mathematics leadership and its impact on student learning.
- Board Chair Ray Morrison was recognized for receiving the Saskatchewan School Boards Association Award of Distinction. Morrison has served on the Saskatoon Board of Education since 2003 and has been board chair since 2006. Read the full story at saskatoonpublicschools.ca

Reports and information presented at board meetings can be found at <u>saskatoonpublicschools.ca</u>. The next meeting of the Board of Education is Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018, at 7 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

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# **MOVE TO GROW...**INDEPENDENCE

As parents and educators, we know learning is enhanced by rehearsal and practice. This is true with any learning whether it be the letters of the alphabet, how to play guitar, or developing the skill of independence. Thinking about letting your child walk to school?

Here are some tips to prepare yourself and your child:

- Plan the route your child will take to school.
   A neighbourhood map is available on the school website.
- Rehearse the route by walking it together and continue to rehearse until you both feel comfortable.
- Along your walk, identify any safety hazards, as well as safe places for your child to go if they need help.
- Still aren't sure about your child walking independently? Contact other parents in your community to see if they have kids who walk to school in order to create a walking group.

With rehearsal, education and planning, the walk to school can be one of your child's first steps towards learning independence.











At Saskatoon Public Schools, our goal is to see all children and youth discover, develop and act upon their potential.

Learn more about the inspiring work in our classrooms, schools and city by reading our Report to the Community at <u>saskatoonpublicschools.ca</u>.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### **DECEMBER 3**

PD/Planning Day

Elementary & Secondary Students DO NOT ATTEND

#### **DECEMBER 11**

Saskatoon Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.

#### **DECEMBER 21**

Last Day of Classes Before Christmas Break

#### **JANUARY 7**

Classes Resume Following Christmas Break

#### **JANUARY 15**

Saskatoon Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.







# **2019 CALENDAR**

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