

Prairie Sky School Council 2024-2025 Year in Review

### Agenda

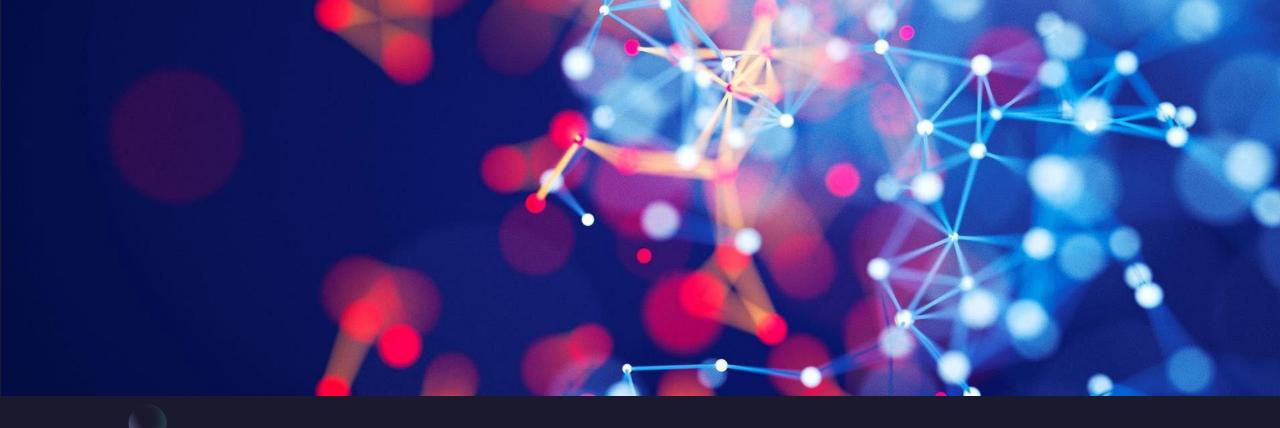
**School Council Mission** 

Engagement with Administration & Teaching Staff

Impact and Accomplishments

Fundraising Efforts

Plans & Goals for the 2025-2026 School Year



## Prairie Sky School Council Mission Statement

School Council will undertake discussions and activities that will enhance student learning and foster the well-being and effectiveness of our school community.

Engagement with Administration & Teaching Staff



Month	Discussion Points
September	Welcome Back Enrollment update Traffic Safety Concerns
October	Teacher Share – Wellness Team, Kindergarten, Grade 1 & Grade 2 (re: fundraising) School wide Indigenous Presentation (James Jones, SC votes to share cost of this) Outdoor Learning Space Student OurSchool Survey being sent out School Development Plan – adding/clarifying new goal of fostering school spirit and deepening connections with students
November	Teacher Share – Grade 2 Results of the student surveys Attendance & late arrival concerns discussed Traffic Safety Concerns
December	Teacher Share – Grade 3 School Development Plan for 2024/2025 school year, SDP has been approved by Area Director, discussed in detail Report cards update

Month	Discussion Points
January	Teacher Share – Grade 8 Report Cards, discussed in greater detail K-3 Provincial Assessments & Funding Kindergarten registration has opened for next school year Walk zone reduction, heads up that this will be coming Discussed Kind February & Care Cupboard initiatives
February	Teacher Share – Physical Education & Wellness and Music Guest from NE Calgary Adopt a Family program Modular Update Update on enrollment for next school year Possible configuration for next school year
March (online)	Teacher Share – Grade 4 & Learning Leaders Parent online survey results School Development Plan, revisited to discuss school goals, outcomes and data for monitoring progress Budget

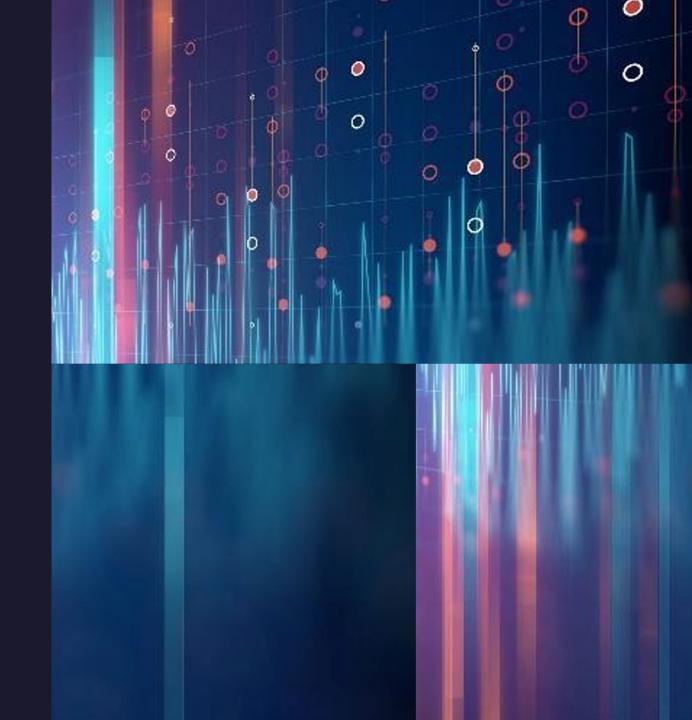
Month	Discussion Points
April	Teacher Share – Grade 6 Update on Modulars Update on Budget & enrollment numbers for next school year Update to bussing/walk zone changes
May	Teacher Share – Grade 7 Budget for 2025/2026 School Year Classroom configuration & enrollment for 2025/2026 School Year PATs Grades 6 & 9 Hiring new teachers for next school year
June	Teacher Share – Grades 5 & 9 Final updates for the 2024/2025 School Year



- **Care Cupboard**: Initiated the school 'Care Cupboard' with a call out and donations from businesses near the school. The purpose of the Care Cupboard is to provide students with access to various personal hygiene and other essential items in times of need. The teachers and administration will facilitate the students access to this resource and school council will continue to stock the items.
- **Kind February**: Set up a month-long initiative surrounding Pink Shirt Day focused on kindness & anti-bullying. Classes raised funds to donate to the Kid's Help Phone (\$875), ice cream vouchers were purchased and provided to the teachers & principals to give to students who demonstrated acts of kindness.
- **Jo Out Loud**: In February along with the theme of kindness & anti bullying Jo Phillips was brought in to speak to students about Social Media and creating a better, more supportive space online for kids and teens by helping them feel heard and build stronger relationships. Jo then provided an accompanying presentation to parents & guardians to share what our students learned and educate us on parenting as it relates to social media. (presentation to be uploaded to YouTube, not yet available but will share once it is)

- **School Supply Donations**: Helped facilitate donations for school supplies for older grades via NE Calgary Adopt a Family. This organization is not able to donate directly to schools but can do so via school councils. They will be donating school supplies for our older grades (who do not have supplies provided/paid for through CBE), so that all students have access to basic supplies.
- **Financial Contributions**: Made contributions to school field trip/fee deficit. Contributed to the cost of two indigenous presentations/activities in support of the school's commitment to Truth and Reconciliation.
- **School Appreciation**: Support of teachers & staff in the form of potlucks for conferences & teacher appreciation breakfast.
- **Overall Management & Organization**: In this our third year of operations we've built on the great foundation laid in previous years and taken steps to enhance some of our core functions. A volunteer sign-up document was launched improving the sign-up process, organization and overall volunteer engagement for school council activities. The process of registering the school council for a Casino fundraiser was completed and we are now on the list for one of these fundraiser in the coming school year. We've stayed on top of deadlines and shared clearer, more consistent updates with families about our fundraising initiatives.

# Fundraising Efforts



Several of our fundraisers are still 'TBD' waiting on final numbers to come in, or in the case of ongoing fundraisers for the yearly/periodic payments to be sent to us.

Indeygo – while the cookie dough would have made a profit, unfortunately the muffin batter ended up costing due to minimum order numbers, so this one was not profitable.

Expected total of funds raised for the year will be between \$3,000 and \$3,500.

Fundraiser	Funds Raised (Approximate)
FUN Lunches	\$2,150
Snack Shack	\$225
Mabel's Labels	\$50
Purdy's Chocolates	\$450
Coco Brooks	\$1,050
Indeygo (Cookie Dough & Muffin Batter)	-
Milk & Cookies Club	\$200
Bottle Drive (Funds Raised specifically for the Care Cupboard)	\$50
Make it Sow	\$75
Blue Grass Nursery	TBD
Fundscrip	TBD (nominal)
Cobs Bakery	TBD (nominal)
Bottle Drive Mobile	TBD (nominal)
Fitset Ninja – Summer Camp Fundraiser	TBD



#### **Engagement:**

Looking ahead, one of our key goals is to increase parent engagement—both in our meetings and through volunteer opportunities.

#### **Fundraising Goals:**

Increase overall funds raised. Plan to accomplish this through the following fundraising activities:

- Casino;
- 2) Repeat of successful fundraisers from this school year;
- 3) Identifying new 'passive' fundraising opportunities;
- 4) Creating a product/sale free fundraiser such as a walk or spell a thon.

#### **Use of funds to support Prairie Sky School:**

Increase the use of fundraised money to improve the experience of our students. In particular, after our Casino fundraiser which is expected to be profitable, work with principals and teachers to identify needs and deploy funds to meet these needs.

#### **Support Students:**

Continue initiatives such as the Care Cupboard and Kind February, as well as identify new opportunities to support the wellbeing of our students at Prairie Sky School.

Thank you to everyone who supported School Council this year!

Your time, ideas, and involvement have helped strengthen our school community. We're grateful for your contributions and look forward to continuing to work together in the coming school year.

