



**SEVEN OAKS**  
SCHOOL DIVISION  
*community begins here*

# 2022 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



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## Chairperson's Message

Our current board of trustees was elected to a four-year term in 2018. What a four years it's been. Budget cuts. Covid. Bill 64. We've had our challenges.

Looking back on our term, I'm grateful. We've navigated the challenges of Covid, kept our students and staff safe, and supported student learning and well-being in every way imaginable. For this, we are grateful to our staff for their dedication, creativity and perseverance. We are impressed by the resourcefulness and resilience our students displayed throughout. And we are especially grateful for our parents and guardians in adhering to health protocols, supporting their children's learning and adjusting to the all too frequent changes forced upon us by Covid.

Our funding has not kept pace with costs. Every budget our board has been faced with difficult choices. We've managed to maintain most of our programs, reasonable class sizes and continued to limit costs to our families for things like field trips and musical instruments. We've even found additional resources to support settlement services and summer programs.

When the provincial government threatened local decision-making in education with Bill 64, our board and our community rallied to "Keep Seven Oaks, Seven Oaks." Thanks to everyone who put up a lawn sign, phoned their MLA or signed a petition.

They backed down! We won! Seven Oaks will stay Seven Oaks.

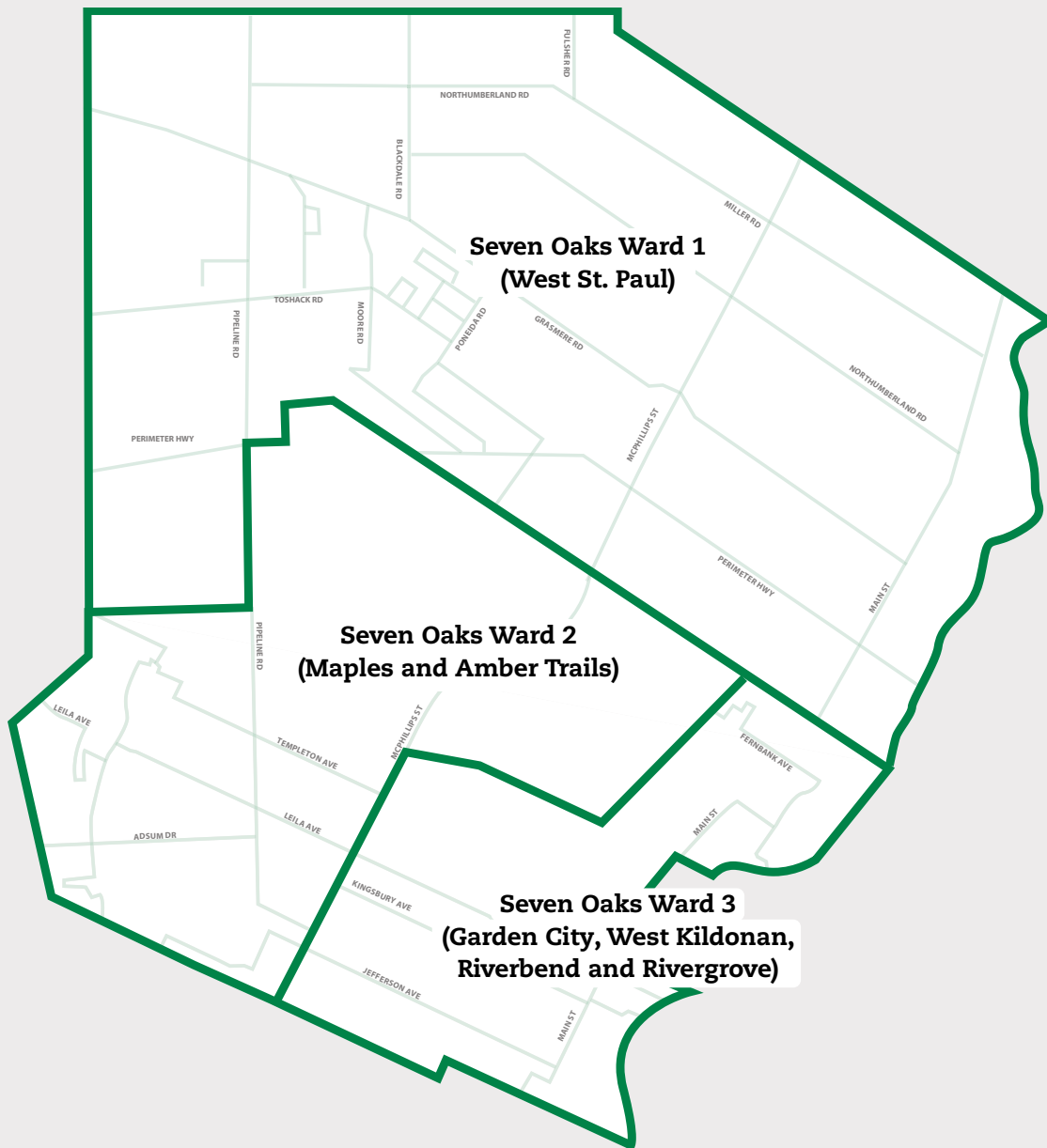
We did more than navigate Covid, budget cuts and Bill 64. We moved forward on a number of important initiatives. We completed construction and opened our 26th school, École Templeton, and a new MET School program in Winnipeg's Exchange District. We expanded Cooperative Vocational programming. We initiated and passed a comprehensive anti-racism policy. We've obtained sites for new schools to serve our growing community. We have started design on the first of these schools located in Aurora at North Point. It will be a K-8 dual track school and should open in fall 2025.

We also adopted a new ward structure for this fall's municipal election that aligns the Riverbend/Rivergrove community with West Kildonan and Garden City. We've been busy and we've accomplished a lot. We were pleased to support the very successful community effort to keep the West Kildonan Library open.

It was a joy to participate in this year's high school grads again and we are really excited about the school year to come. Thanks to our staff for their dedication and to our community for their support. It has been our privilege to serve as your trustees.

**Greg McFarlane**  
Chair

# New Ward Boundaries



Seven Oaks School Division serves over 12,000 learners as well as their families and the community. We're proud of our numbers and you should be too. Because the strength of our numbers is due to the strength of our schools, our families and our community working together.

To read the full report Seven Oaks by the Numbers visit [www.7oaks.org](http://www.7oaks.org)

# We're excited to get back to class



We're eager to get back to class and give our students the rich learning opportunities they deserve, learning opportunities that embrace our three "R's": Relationships, Relevance, and Rigour.

Our schools are organized to support strong relationships. Teachers in early and middle grades often stay with their students for a couple of years. Every high school student has a teacher advisor who is a constant mentor throughout their senior years. Each and every student gets the care and understanding they deserve because they are known.







Whether it's the book that is chosen for a beginning reader or the project designed for a graduating student, our teachers work to ensure that learning is relevant to their students. Hands-on experiences, getting outdoors or connecting with a mentor make learning come alive. And when students are interested in what they learn, they learn more.

There's rigour too. Seven Oaks students' achievement is routinely above provincial standards. Our graduation rate is consistently high. Seven out of ten Seven Oaks grads go directly on to receive post-secondary education. Our renewed focus on literacy and numeracy ensures that each and every student succeeds.





# We're excited to get back to performing



Seven Oaks Arts programming is among the best in the country. Band. Choir. Drama. Dance. Film. Television.

Our Seven Oaks Performing Arts Centre Theatre, a first-class performance venue, is open again.

Channel 7 Oaks, our award winning tv station will continue to broadcast sports, concerts and shows worldwide.





# We're excited to get outside again



We're continuing to get outside and get active. We're making use of the Aki Centre, our innovative land-based learning centre in West St. Paul. Amber Trails, H.C. Avery and Leila North schools have developed school yard projects where students can grow their own food.

Every middle years student participates in our 'Learn to Bike' program. Every grade one and two student 'Learns to Skate' and every grade four student 'Learns to Swim.'





# We're excited about Truth and Reconciliation



We're more committed than ever to do our part to further truth and reconciliation. We want all of our students to understand the contribution of Indigenous peoples to our country, to understand the devastating impact of colonization and residential schools and understand our treaty obligations. To these ends, we will continue to ensure that our schools teach about treaties and residential schools. We will continue to learn from the teachings of our Elders and do our part to help preserve and revitalize Indigenous languages.

We offer an Ojibway Bilingual program at Riverbend and Edmund Partridge. Almost all of our schools have after school Pow Wow clubs. And we celebrate Indigenous culture and the success of our students with a huge feast and Pow Wow.





# We're excited to look to the future



- A twelve classroom addition to West Kildonan Collegiate is under construction and will be completed this year. It includes two new science labs, a 2000 sq. ft. fitness facility and improved space for arts programs.

- Our Cooperative Vocational (CVE) programs are now expanded with new options. Almost 90% of CVE students go directly to employment, apprenticeship or post-secondary programs. (\*new)

## Our programs are:

- Aviation Trades & Technology
- Early Childhood Education
- Hospitality Services
- Automotive Trades & Technology
- Health Care Aide
- Plumbing & Pipe Trades
- Culinary Services
- Electrical Trades Technology
- Sustainable Energy\*
- Refrigeration & Air Conditioning
- Heavy Construction\*
- Performing Arts Production\*

Register for any of these programs at any of our high schools or adult learning centres.







- We are planning to construct three new K-8 schools to serve the new communities of Aurora at North Point, Highland Pointe and Meadowlands. We have started design on the first of these schools located in Aurora at North Point. It will be a K-8 dual track school and should open in fall 2025.

- We're continuing to initiate innovative programming to ensure that our students have the best possible opportunities. Our "Tech Hub" program provides high school students with instruction in video game design from industry experts. Our downtown MET School campus provides unique opportunities for internships in technology and the arts. Elwick Community School's Sistema program provides students with incredible musical instruction from Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra musicians.



- We're continuing to develop our unique land-based learning centre, the Aki Centre, in West St. Paul where students learn how an Indigenous worldview can help us meet our obligation to be stewards of our environment.

# Community Begins Here

## EARLY YEARS: K-5

**École Belmont**  
French K-5  
525 Belmont Avenue  
204-338-7893

**Collicutt School**  
English K-5  
75 Cottingham Street  
204-338-7937

**École Constable**  
**Edward Finney School**  
Dual Track K-5  
25 Anglia Avenue  
204-694-8688

**Forest Park School**  
English K-5  
130 Forest Park Drive  
204-338-9341

**Governor Semple School**  
English K-5  
150 Hartford Avenue  
204-339-7112

**James Nisbet**  
**Community School**  
English K-6  
70 Doubleday Drive  
204-633-8870

**Margaret Park School**  
English K-5  
385 Cork Avenue  
204-338-9384

**R.F. Morrison School**  
English K-5  
Ukrainian Bilingual K-6  
25 Morrison Street  
204-338-7804

**Riverbend Community School**  
English K-5  
Ojibwe Bilingual K-5  
123 Red River Boulevard W  
204-334-8417

**École Rivière-Rouge**  
French K-5  
55 Swinford Way  
204-697-5962

**École Templeton**  
French K-5  
1310 Templeton Avenue  
204-589-9853

**Victory School**  
English K-5  
395 Jefferson Avenue  
204-586-9716

## EARLY YEARS/ MIDDLE YEARS: K-8

**A.E. Wright Community School**  
English K-8  
Filipino Bilingual K-6  
1520 Jefferson Avenue  
204-632-6314

**Amber Trails**  
**Community School**  
English K-8  
1575 Templeton Avenue  
204-697-5965

**Elwick Community School**  
English K-8  
30 Maberley Road  
204-633-5641

**O.V. Jewitt Community School**  
English K-8  
66 Neville Street  
204-633-1714

**West St. Paul School**  
English K-8  
3740 Main Street  
204-339-1964

## MIDDLE YEARS: GRADES 6-8

**Edmund Partridge**  
**Community School**  
English 6-8  
1874 Main Street  
204-339-9889

**H.C. Avery Middle School**  
English 6-8  
10 Marigold Bay  
204-334-4391

**École Leila North**  
**Community School**  
Dual Track 6-8  
20 Allan Blye Drive  
204-694-8071

**École Seven Oaks**  
**Middle School**  
Dual Track 6-8  
800 Salter Street  
204-586-0327

## SENIOR YEARS: GRADES 9-12

**Collège Garden**  
**City Collegiate**  
Dual Track 9-12  
711 Jefferson Avenue  
204-339-2058

**Maples Collegiate**  
English 9-12  
1330 Jefferson Avenue  
204-632-6641

**Maples Met School**  
English 9-12  
1300 Jefferson Avenue  
204-632-6641

**Met Centre for Arts &**  
**Technology**  
English 9-12  
321 McDermot Avenue  
204-589-9854

**Seven Oaks Met School**  
English 9-12  
640 Jefferson Avenue  
204-336-5050

**West Kildonan Collegiate**  
English 9-12  
101 Ridgecrest Avenue  
204-339-6959

## ADDITIONAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

**Seven Oaks Adult**  
**Learning Centre**  
950 Jefferson Avenue  
204-632-1716

**Adult Education Centre**  
1747 Main Street  
204-589-9852

**Wayfinders**  
950 Jefferson Avenue  
204-631-5849