



# Renfrew County District School Board

## Director's Report - May 25, 2009

### 1. Administrator Transfers and Appointments

There will be several new faces in Renfrew County schools next year as the following transfers and appointments were made within the administrator group this past month:

- Kim Shoveller, Principal of AJ Charbonneau Public School has been transferred to Walter Zadow Public School and Angie McGrath, Vice-Principal of Cobden District Public School was appointed Principal of AJ Charbonneau Public School.
- Shelley Cliche, Principal of Highview Public School has been transferred to Westmeath Public School and Cathy Kyte, Principal of Killaloe Public School has been transferred to Highview Public School. Krista Recoskie was appointed Principal of Killaloe Public School.
- Terry Hughes, Principal of Keys Public School will now be the Principal of the Mackenzie-Keys Campus. Pauline Morissette, formerly Vice-Principal of Calabogie Public School has been appointed Vice-Principal of Mackenzie High School and Ivan Saari, MISA Leader will become Vice-Principal of Keys Public School.
- Mary Anne Mullen returns from her leave and will become Principal of Rockwood Public School.
- Greg Harkness, Vice-Principal of Highview Public School was appointed Principal of Morison Public School.
- Michelle Belsher, Junior and Intermediate Division Consultant was appointed Principal of Beachburg Public School.
- Jenny Smith was appointed Principal of Sherwood Public School.

As a result of these appointments, several Vice-Principal positions will now be posted and filled in the month of June.

### 2. Schools That Care

Renfrew County public schools have achieved a remarkable accomplishment by participating with over 3,700 Ontario schools in the Terry Fox Foundation's 2008 National School Run Day, raising an incredible \$6.6 million for cancer research. Twenty-two of our thirty schools participated in 2008 and raised \$29,627.67. As the coordinators of the Terry Fox Foundation stated in their letter to the Director of Education, the world is a much better place because of our schools.

### 3. Specialist High Skills Majors

Renfrew County students will be offered an expanded Specialist High Skills Majors program in 2009-2010. The RCDSB received \$376,200.00 to expand SHSM programs to include the following sectors: Community Safety and Emergency Services, Information and Communications Technology, and Construction.

These new SHSMs will be added to the existing sectors currently offered this year: Business, Transportation, Forestry, Manufacturing, Health and Wellness, Arts and Culture, Environment, and Hospitality and Tourism.

The funding will be used for staff training, partnership and program development, equipment and supplies, student certifications, the development of contextualized learning activities, and marketing and promotion.

Schools will receive the following amount of funding:

ADHS	\$59,800.00
FHS	\$24,200.00
GPHS	\$22,700.00
MHS	\$86,100.00
MVDHS	\$100,300.00
OHS	\$50,000.00
RCI	\$22,100.00

Total School Funds \$365,200.00

Funding per school reflects the number of SHSMs that have been approved by the Ministry as well as the number of students enrolled in each SHSM. \$11,000.00 will be used to develop contextualized learning activities

#### 4. Energy Efficient Schools Funding

On April 24, 2009 the Ministry announced that the Renfrew County District School Board will receive \$2,392,057 over two years to improve the energy efficiency of our schools. The new funding is intended to be used by boards to create environmentally friendly learning spaces, to reduce energy use, and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The funding must be spent in the following four areas:

1. **Operational Efficiency - Operating** - Boards may purchase technology that reduces energy use (e.g. occupancy sensors).
2. **Operational Efficiency - Small Equipment** - Boards may purchase equipment that is designed to monitor, control and reduce energy use in schools (e.g. energy management systems).
3. **Renewal of Major Building Components** - Boards are expected to use this funding to support the replacement, renewal and installation of energy efficient building components such as HVAC systems, boilers and windows.
4. **Renovations and Retrofits of Existing Schools** - Boards are expected to use this funding to renovate existing schools to accommodate students in portables and under-utilized schools, and to provide funding to right size schools to better meet their long-term enrolment needs.