

# FOOTNOTES

steps toward a flourishing community

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## WELCOME

Welcome to Footnotes, a monthly digest of progress at Foothills School Division.

The majority of information provided will highlight the steps we are taking to ensure education is at the centre of a flourishing community.

Our goal is to connect how the work of the Board of Trustees affects our students in the classrooms.

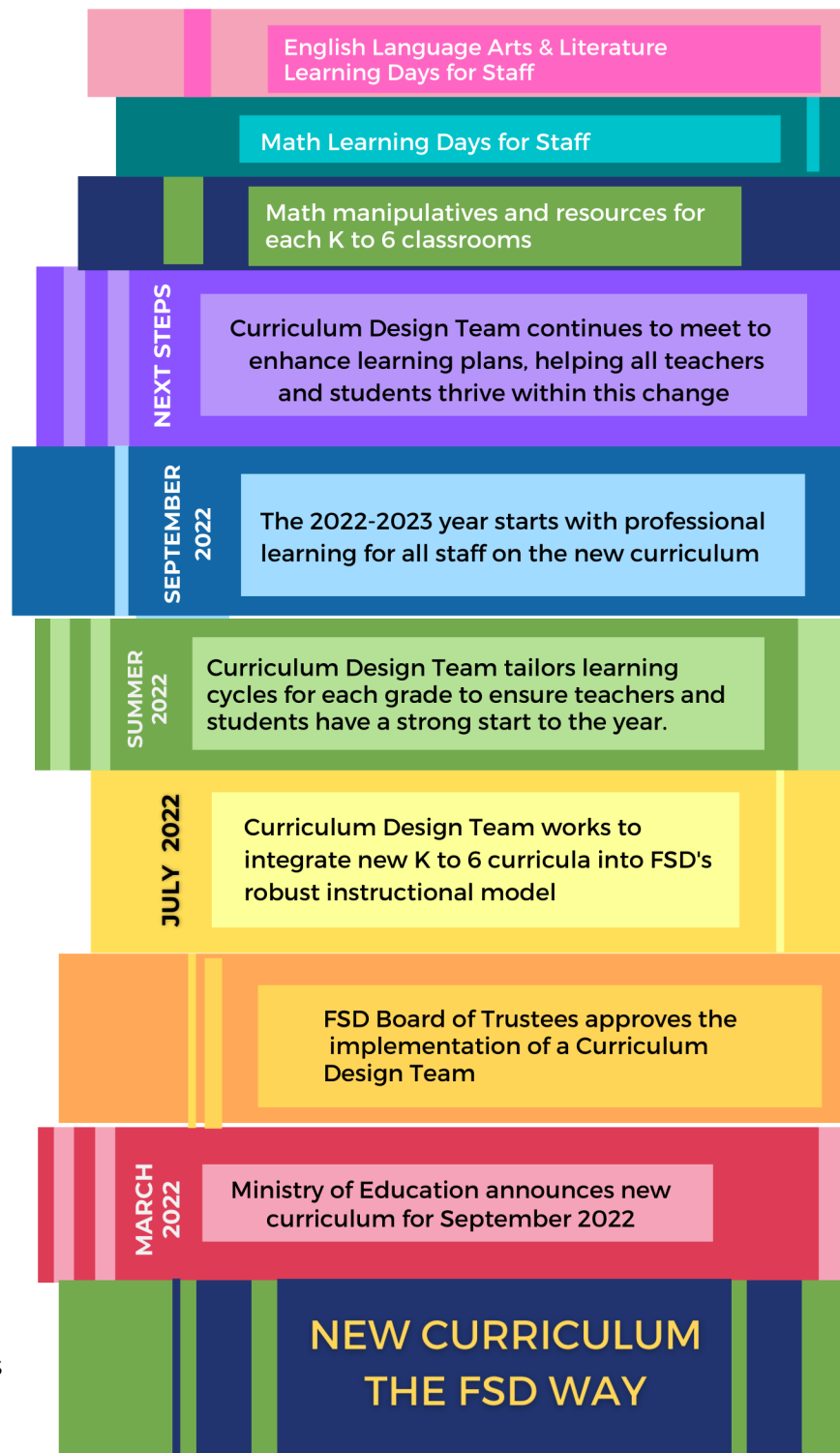
The Government of Alberta's announcement of new a K to 6 curriculum was made just 6 months before the required implementation.

A skilled group of educators came together as the Curriculum Design Team to weave the new curricula into FSD's quality instructional model.

The team worked to ensure:

- robust & tailored learning
- interconnected themes throughout each learning cycle (6-8 week set)
- the development of critical thinking for all ages
- standardized competencies
- to exceed Alberta Education's expectations

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## DID YOU KNOW?

By ensuring our safety protocols are current, we are helping to keep our insurance premium as low as possible.



## A FOUNDATION FOR A FLOURISHING COMMUNITY

Either through budget cuts or the rise of inflation, the available resources to support students in their education are becoming more precious.

We understand the value of holistic programs and support for students and families. We want to see education at the centre of a flourishing community. Both can be achieved through the Friends of Foothills Schools Foundation.

This newly-formed foundation, awaiting charitable status from the Canada Revenue Agency, will be an avenue to fundraise and disperse funds to support students in four areas:

- Enhanced Learning Supports
- Support Flourishing Communities
- Provide Emergency Relief
- Provide School Supplies K-3

Learn more: [bit.ly/FOFSinfo](https://bit.ly/FOFSinfo)



## MAKING SPACE FOR SAFETY

To start the new calendar year, all of our Career and Technology Foundations (CTF) and Career and Technology Studies (CTS) workspaces will be undergoing safety audits by Suncorp. This will include an inventory of equipment, an assessment of all equipment and spaces, and a suggested repairs and replacement plan.

We can anticipate suggestions from Suncorp that will make our workspaces safer for students and facilitators. These enhancements to Career & Technology programs will be reflected in the upcoming 2023-2024 budget.

By maintaining safety as a priority, we are able to ensure students can continue to access these valuable programs.

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## COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS

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