

FOOTNOTES

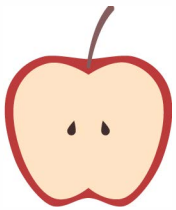
WITH THE FOOTHILLS SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SEPTEMBER 2025

TAKE A BITE INTO GOVERNANCE AS A TRUSTEE

CORE ROLE OF THE BOARD

Trustees are elected by the community to make sure every student in Foothills has access to a strong public education. Trustees:



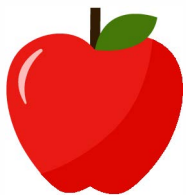
- Set the vision, values, and priorities for the Division.
- Approve the budget and capital plan.
- Hire, support, and evaluate the Superintendent, who manages day-to-day operations.
- Develop and approve policies that guide how schools operate.
- Engage with parents, staff, and community to represent the interests of all students.

WHAT DECISIONS DO THEY MAKE?



- Approving the Division's Education Plan, annual budget, audited financial statements, and Three-Year Capital Plan.
- Approving school attendance boundaries, school closures, and calendars.
- Overseeing appeals on student matters.
- Approving policies that ensure compliance with provincial legislation (including instructional resources and parental notification/consent rules).
- Naming schools and approving major property transactions.

HOW THE BOARD WORKS TOGETHER



- Trustees meet regularly in public Board meetings to make decisions.
- They follow structured agendas, rules of order, and act as one Board once decisions are made.
- Trustees serve on committees and attend community events.
- Professionalism, respect, and confidentiality are essential.

WHAT MAKES A GOOD TRUSTEE?

- Listening and communicating effectively.
- Working well as part of a team.
- Willingness to learn about education, legislation, and governance.
- Commitment to equity, accountability, and continuous improvement.

TIME & COMMITMENT

- Board meetings: usually every two weeks.
- Committee work: varies by trustee.
- School Council: monthly
- Community engagement: school visits, events, and connecting with parents and community members.
- Reading and preparing for meetings and committee work.

LEARN MORE: FSD TRUSTEE GUIDE TO GOOD GOVERNANCE

WHY IT MATTERS

- Trustees are the link between the community and the classroom.
- Be a voice for students and families in your community.
- Shape the future of public education in Foothills.
- Make a lasting difference.

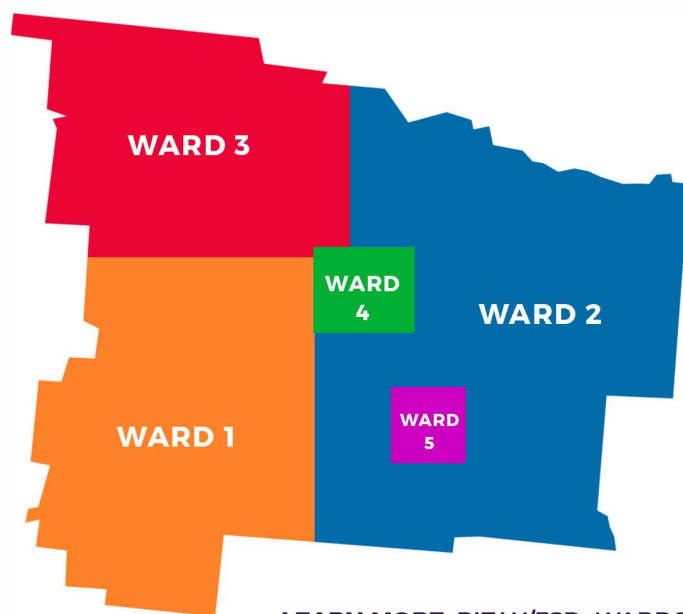


BECOMING A TRUSTEE

OUR WARDS

Trustees are elected by the constituents in their ward-- the area of our school division in which they live.

- WARD 1** Diamond Valley, Foothills County, Longview
- WARD 2** Blackie, Cayley, DeWinton, Foothills County
- WARD 3** Foothills County, Millarville, Priddis
- WARD 4** Okotoks
2 Trustees
- WARD 5** High River



LEARN MORE: [BIT.LY/FSD_WARDS](https://bit.ly/FSD_WARDS)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION 2025

BE A PART OF OUR FLOURISHING LEARNING COMMUNITY

The Foothills School Division Board of Trustees consists of 6 elected officials who represent 25 schools within our 5 wards. The Board of Trustees work together to set strategic direction, guide policy, and advocate to advance the engagement, support, and success of each learner.

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NOMINATION DAY
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025
12:00PM (NOON)

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ELECTION DAY
OCTOBER 20, 2025

YOUR TRUSTEES

WARD 1 - Jack Molyneux
WARD 2 - John Evans
WARD 3 - Theresa Letendre, Chair
WARD 4 - Lisa Penzo, Vice Chair
WARD 4 - Sharon Nichols
WARD 5 - Phil Irwin

YOUR EXECUTIVE TEAM

Superintendent of Schools - Chris Fuzessy
Assistant Superintendent, Corporate Services - Katelyn Nickel
Assistant Superintendent, Learning Services - Caroline Roberts
Assistant Superintendent, Employee Services - Allen Davidson