



## Lakeshore School Division Report to the Community 2006-2007

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**Vision** Inspiring all learners to be successful

**Mission** The Lakeshore School Division is committed to the delivery of quality education to all learners through the use of innovative instruction and curricula. We strive for excellence with a caring, dedicated staff who continues to develop strategies to meet the challenges of an ever-changing society. We will attain these goals by way of consultation, collaboration and communication with all partners in education...

**Beliefs** We believe all learners

- Learn differently
- Want to learn
- Can learn
- Have a right to learn
- Learn best in a safe, secure environment

**Values** We value decisions that are

- Made in the best interests of students
- Fiscally practical and responsible
- Data-driven
- Innovative and creative
- Fair and responsible
- Developed through compromise and consensus



From Early Years to High School, from soccer balls and lacrosse to high end technology, from renovations to new buildings, Lakeshore School Division continues to grow, to be innovative and strive to fulfill its vision of *inspiring all learners to be successful*.

The challenges of declining enrollments and increasing costs are still present, but the commitment to providing quality education for all of our students remains a top priority for the division – whether we are a trustee, a principal, a teacher, a secretary, a bus driver or a parent, each one of us is committed to the job of graduating successful students.

This community report will hopefully illustrate some of the initiatives that will be undertaken in 2007-2008 to fulfill the vision, the mission, the beliefs and values of Lakeshore School Division.

### Highlight on Division's Priorities for 2006-2007

The 2006-2007 priorities established by the Lakeshore Board of Trustees were to:

- Establish a culture of high expectations and success
- Build capacity through staff development
- Establish links between home and school through the development of learning communities
- Maintaining long-term financial viability in the division

**This report is structured around these four priorities.**

## **INVOLVING COMMUNITY & STAKEHOLDERS IN THE STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS**

### **Community Consultations Update for 2006-2007**

Throughout the 2006-2007 school year, Lakeshore School Division continued to hold community consultations regarding the proposed amalgamation of the schools in Ashern, Fisher Branch and Moosehorn. Additional meetings were held in Eriksdale and Lundar.

September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Fisher Branch  
October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 Ashern and Moosehorn  
October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Lundar  
October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 Eriksdale

The Work Tank Committee, composed of 15 members, representing all the communities in Lakeshore met on November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The Work Tank reviewed all of the feedback from the community consultations and made recommendations to the Board. Throughout the remainder of the 2006-2007 school year, the Board deliberated on the information and feedback from the consultation process. In addition, the Board heard presentations from the following community groups:

January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Ashern Early Years Parent Advisory Council  
February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2007 RM of Grahamdale Council  
March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Alf Cuthbert Parent Advisory Council  
April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Fisher Development Corporation  
May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Fisher Branch Parent Advisory Council

In June, the Lakeshore School Division Board of Trustees returned to the following communities:

June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Ashern and Moosehorn  
June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Fisher Branch

Subsequent to these meetings, the Board issued the following motions: **M07.06.97** M/S M. Anderson, T. Hoplock, that the Ashern Early Years Schools be amalgamated with the Ashern Central School effective September 2009. Further, that the Alf Cuthbert School will be under review when the student enrollment range is between 70-80 and the quality of education will be compromised.

**Carried**  
**All in Favour**

**M07.06.113** M/S T. Hoplock, R. Imlah, that the Fisher Branch Early Years School will be amalgamated with the Fisher Branch Collegiate effective September 2009.

In September 2007, the Lakeshore School Division Board of Trustees will be forming committees in Ashern and Fisher Branch to develop a plan to enable the transition to the new locations to occur as smoothly as possible.



Ashern-Moosehorn Community Consultation



Lundar Community Consultation

## REFLECTING A DIVISION THAT VALUES RESPONSIBLE AND INNOVATIVE EDUCATION

### Early Years Multi-Level Project

Lakeshore School Division is entering into its third year of examining and implementing the multi-level classroom philosophy. With declining enrolments, all of the Early Years Schools are faced with two to three grades in one classroom. By providing our teachers with professional opportunities to examine the philosophy and practices of multi-level classrooms, we are confident that our students will continue to receive quality education.

In 2006-2007, the Multi-Level Committee met with consultants from Manitoba Education, Citizenship and Youth, visited multi-level classrooms in rural and urban settings and also read current research. On August 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> 2007, 45 teachers and principals attended a multi-level workshop at Eriksdale School facilitated by Joan Bartley, Manitoba Education, Citizenship and Youth.

The Committee will continue this year with further professional development, school visits and a full day session on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The Committee has also compiled a series of articles which were sent to the local schools to be printed in their monthly newsletters. These articles will be continued this year and are also available on the Lakeshore School Division website. For more information, please contact Annette Holowka at Division Office.



### Senior Years Project

One of Lakeshore's priorities this year is the Senior Years Project with its purpose being to determine how the high schools in Lakeshore can better meet the needs of students. During the 2006-2007 school year, a survey of Grade 12 students was completed and a public summary of the results is being distributed with this Community Report.

During the 2007-2008 school year, a steering committee with representation from the four Lakeshore high schools will be established. This committee will focus on five main activities throughout the year: analyzing the Grade 12 survey results. Implementing a course acquisition tracking mechanism, developing a Grade 9 student and staff survey, reviewing existing school and divisional data, and investigating the various research on effective high schools.

For more information on the Senior Years Project, please contact Julie Millar at Division Office.



## Technology

In keeping with an established four year technology refresh, Lakeshore has replaced all personal computers including 260 desktops and 120 laptops. Almost all teachers now have a laptop assigned to them for the next four years. In addition to that, most schools will be issued a mobile laptop lab for classroom student use. The equipment includes 5 laptops and a projector. This will allow students to work in groups to access various media types including *Discovery Channel's UnitedStreaming* - a subscription service allowing Lakeshore staff and students access to educational videos and other valuable content on demand.

WebCT is offered for the fourth year in Lakeshore, giving students broader course selection. Students in grades 9-12 have the opportunity to enroll in courses offered anywhere in the division, and through new partnerships, courses offered by other divisions across the province.

Lakeshore has also continued our *Live Communications Services*, which allow all staff and some students to communicate within the division via text chat, voice and video. Lakeshore is one of the only school divisions in the province to offer this service. The possibilities are endless as we can reduce travel, allow for better support and enhance WebCT based courses - some of which have already been done.

Now in the second year of *Literacy with ICT*, all K-8 staff will be trained on assessment regarding technology use in the classroom. Our proactive approach will ensure staff are ready for the provincially mandated implementation next year.

All Lakeshore systems bring real-world services to students, preparing them for the technology they will encounter in the business community. Our intent is that all Lakeshore stakeholders realize the incredible investment directed towards technology and the benefit that brings to students. We hope to establish ourselves as leaders in the education community and all evidence would suggest we are well on our way.



## **Facilities Update**

The Lundar addition/renovation project is nearly complete with only a few deficiencies remaining. Lundar's gymnasium has a new resilient floor that should provide an excellent playing surface for all age groups. The school looks very good due to the hard work that was done by Ed, Kelly and Pat.

The Inwood School project is nearing completion. The landscaping is the last significant portion of the project and that should be completed early in September. Ken Berg did a good job of preparing the school for September 5<sup>th</sup> despite all of the moving and construction. The grand opening of the Inwood School is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on October 22, 2007.

New flooring was provided in various areas of Ashern Central, Fisher Branch Collegiate and Lundar School.

Welcome to Ken Novak, the newly hired Head Custodian for the Fisher Branch Schools. Don, Mary and Shelley did a great job of getting the schools ready for Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>. Gord Fuz completed some facility enhancements projects in both schools.

The maintenance staff at Alf Cuthbert, Ashern and Eriksdale Schools did an excellent job repairing and preparing the buildings throughout the summer.

Thank you to everyone for your efforts.



## **Transportation**

The decline in the number of transported pupils continues to create challenges for the school division. As the number of transported pupils decline so does the funding that the Province provides. The start of the 2007/08 school year has 3 less bus routes bringing the number of routes down to 31 from a high of 52 twenty five years ago.

The shortage of qualified school bus drivers is also having an impact. It is increasingly difficult to find people willing to be trained and ready to drive school buses on a regular or casual basis. The school division is in dire need of local individuals who would like to supplement their income by becoming qualified to operate a school bus. Anyone wanting further information on becoming a school bus driver can contact Bruce Law at 739-2101.



## Lakeshore Recreation Commission



The Lakeshore Recreation Commission is entering into its third year and things are speeding right along! The past two years have been a steep learning curve for the Rec Commission board and staff as well as the communities we service. A lot has been accomplished in a short time and we are building momentum each year.

Working with the highly dedicated volunteers in the Lakeshore region and in close partnership with the schools and the Lakeshore School Division we have been able to offer many programs for our youth. We have been able to create new hip hop dance lessons in Moosehorn and Lundar, re-establish and develop soccer programs in Ashern and Eriksdale/Lundar respectively, start and revive archery programs in Lundar, Inwood and Fisher Branch, start lacrosse programs in Ashern and Eriksdale, run cross country ski clinics in Inwood, Fisher Branch and Lundar and hold a duathlon in Eriksdale.

Not only have we been able to introduce and start new programs but we have also been able to build sport and recreation leadership in our communities. We have hosted a soccer coaching clinic, coaching theory clinic, two soccer referee clinics and a Manitoba Fitness Theory course. All of these courses have had youth members of the communities become certified coaches, building a foundation of future coaches in the communities while at the same time having a larger pool of coaches now to run new 5-8 year old programs.



The Lakeshore Recreation Commission has also been able to provide exciting employment opportunities to our high school students as well as to our valuable post secondary students that return to our communities in the summer months. Over the past two summers we have hired thirteen students and exposed them to a career option that they never realized was possible. The students learned valuable skills such as time management, problem solving, event planning and gained work experience working with youth, volunteers and community stakeholders. All of these skills are transferable to many other career options other than recreation such as education, community planning, public health and many more.

We have already begun to plan new youth programs in the fall and winter, run by more trained and certified youth coaches and instructors. Already in the planning stages are a Run Jump Throw program from Athletics Canada, Small Ball program from Canada Basketball, indoor soccer leagues, flag football league, 3 on 3 basketball leagues, karate programs, gymnastics clubs and many more. All of which we hope will aid in the development of the Lakeshore School Divisions plan to implement the new Physical Education course for grade 11 and 12 students.

Working directly with the Lakeshore School Division, the schools within the division, the municipalities, Interlake Regional Health Authority, and most importantly the dedicated community members, the Lakeshore Recreation Commission is becoming a contributing partner in the overall development of the health and wellbeing of our youth.



## SUPPORTING TEACHING AND LEARNING

### The 2007 Proficiency Awards

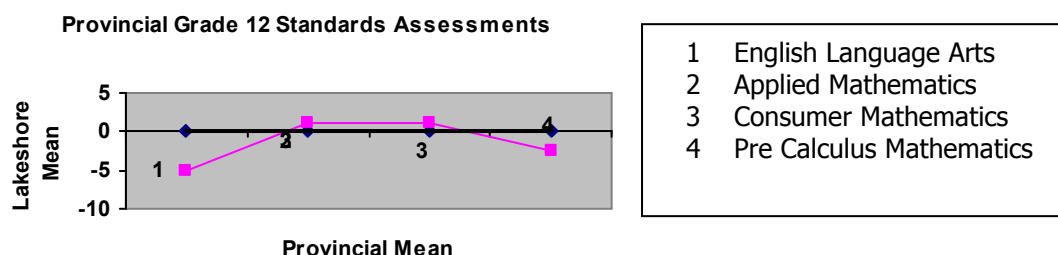
Left to Right

- Tamara Wipf, Broad Valley Colony School
- Sherril Rudyk, Fisher Branch Collegiate
- Sarah Schwartz, Ashern Central  
(awarded W. John Johnson Trophy)
- Michelle Bottrell, Lundar School
- Raelyne Coverdale, Inwood School



### Provincial Grade 12 Standards Assessments

Students in grade 12 write Standards Assessments in English Language Arts, Consumer, Applied and Pre-Calculus Math either in January or June. The graph compares the average mean of Lakeshore students to the average Provincial mean from January and June assessments. The results demonstrate that Lakeshore students perform close to or better than their provincial peers in these assessments.



### Lakeshore School Division Budget 2006 - 2007

#### Expenditures by Program

Regular Instruction	6,691,370	53.8%
Student Support Services	1,946,725	15.7%
Administration	407,025	3.3%
Community Educ/Services	270,000	2.2%
Instructional/Other Support	247,100	2.0%
Transportation of Pupils	1,317,688	10.6%
Operations/Maintenance	1,092,787	8.8%
Fiscal	225,000	1.8%
Capital	233,000	1.9%

**Total \$12,430,695**

#### Enrollment

(at September 30/06)

Alf Cuthbert School	94
Ashern Central School	272
Ashern Early Years School	70
Broad Valley Colony School	28.5
Eriksdale School	187
Fisher Branch Collegiate	168
Fisher Branch Early Yrs	79.5
Inwood School	131
Lundar School	248.5
Marble Ridge Colony School	26.5

#### FTE

K @ 50%

**1,305**

Lakeshore School Division employs 93.3 FTE (full-time equivalent) teachers/principals/clinicians, 58.6 FTE Educational Assistants, 10 FTE Secretarial-Clerical Staff, 6.25 FTE Library/Resource Centre Clerks, 17 FTE Bus Drivers, 4 FTE Mechanics, 14.3 FTE Custodians/Cleaners and 5.5 FTE Senior Admin Staff (including the Director of Information Technology/Technician).

**The 2008-09 budget consultation meeting will be held at Eriksdale School Feb. 19, 2008.**

## List of Schools

### Alf Cuthbert School K-8

Principal: Mrs. Terri Otto  
Telephone: 768-2396  
E-mail: [alfcuthbert@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:alfcuthbert@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

### Ashern Central School Grades 5-12

Principal: Mr. Robert Smith  
Vice Principal: Mr. Randy Chartrand  
Telephone: 768-2571  
E-Mail: [asherncentral@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:asherncentral@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

### Ashern Early Years School K-4

Principal: Mrs. Shawna Rudd  
Telephone: 768-2625  
E-Mail: [ashernealy@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:ashernealy@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

### Broad Valley Colony School K-12

Principal: Ms. Crystal MacDonald  
Telephone: 372-8573

### Eriksdale School K-8

Principal: Mrs. Marlee Cooke  
Telephone: 739-2635  
E-Mail: [eriksdale@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:eriksdale@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

### Fisher Branch Collegiate Grades 5-12

Principal: Mrs. Shaun Lindal  
Telephone: 372-6459  
E-Mail: [fbci@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:fbci@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

### Fisher Branch Early Years School K-4

Principal: Mr. Roger McCulley  
Telephone: 372-6615  
E-Mail: [fbeyes@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:fbeyes@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

### Inwood School K - 12

Principal: Mr. Ted Stouffer  
Telephone: 278-3347  
E-Mail: [inwood@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:inwood@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

### Lundar School K-4 & Grades 9-12

Principal: Ms. Alann Murray  
Telephone: 762-5610  
E-mail: [lundar@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:lundar@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

### Marble Ridge Colony School K-12

Principal: Mr. Tim Beyette  
Telephone: 372-8830

### Fieldstone Ventures Adult Learning Centre

Director: Mrs. Shelley Bjornson (Admin)  
Mr. Ken Poitras (Education)  
Telephone: 768-3797  
E-Mail: [fsv@lakeshoresd.mb.ca](mailto:fsv@lakeshoresd.mb.ca)

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	Mr. Bob Wallack Poplarfield	664-2183
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## Board Meetings

Regular board meetings are held every second and last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Board Office in Eriksdale.

If you wish to make a presentation or require more information about the agenda of upcoming meetings, please contact the Board Office at 739-2101.

## Division Administration

Mrs. Phyllis Hildebrandt, Superintendent

Mrs. Julie Millar, Assistant Superintendent/Student Services Administrator

Mr. Bruce Law, Director of Transportation and Maintenance

Mrs. Marlene Michno, Secretary-Treasurer

Division Administration may be reached at 739-2101.