



# ICSD Newsletter



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Dear Families, Staff, and Community Members,

Spring has brought with it a flurry of activity, growth, and opportunity across the Ile-a-la Crosse School Division. As we begin to wind down another successful school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all we've accomplished together.

This spring, the arbitrator's report and new collective bargaining agreement with the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation has given us important considerations regarding class size and complexity. We are working carefully to respond in ways that support our students and staff. We're also grateful to the Government of Saskatchewan for investing in our division through the establishment of a Specialized Support Classroom and a Mental Health Capacity Building Program—two initiatives that will bring targeted supports to students and families in need.

Infrastructure has also been a focus. We've made progress on the repair of our elementary school gym roof, and we're pleased to announce that air conditioning installation for our high school is close, hopefully, in time for the warmer months ahead!

We recently had a virtual visit with the Minister of Education, which went very well and gave us an opportunity to highlight the unique strengths and needs of our northern division. We're also excited to share that a beautiful new teepee has been purchased for Amiskowisti, helping us to further root our students in language, culture, and identity—one of our key strategic

priorities.

This season has also been one of transition. We send our heartfelt thanks and best wishes to our three retirees: Pat Jongerius, Alex George, and Susan Brown. Their many years of service and dedication have left a lasting impact on our schools and community.

At the same time, we are thrilled to welcome new energy and talent to our team. George Belanger joined us on May 5th, and we look forward to welcoming Amber Thompson and Lindsey Graham this August. Recruitment and retention of skilled educators continues to be a key focus, and we are still actively hiring for positions for the fall. We remain hopeful to fill our vacancies and enter the new school year fully staffed.

We recently celebrated the grand opening of our Sakitawak Early Years Family Resource Centre, which now offers services for families with children under five. We are proud to partner with the Ile-a-la Crosse Friendship Centre to offer this vital support to young families in our community. Additionally, we've expanded our work with the Early Years Cohort, and are excited to be offering speech-language, physiotherapy, and occupational therapy services in partnership with two new service providers.

As we approach the end of the school year, we are looking forward to celebrating the achievements of our Grade 12 and Adult 12 graduates. We are incredibly proud of their perseverance and success, and we can't wait to cheer them on as they take their next steps.

Above all, I want to express my deep gratitude to our staff, our school board, and our entire school community. Your continued commitment to our strategic priorities—language, culture and identity; mental health and well-being; skills for life; and staff recruitment and retention—guides all we do and ensures that our students thrive.

I look forward to seeing all that we will achieve together in the months to come.

Sharon Hoffman  
Director of Education  
Île-à-la-Crosse School Division

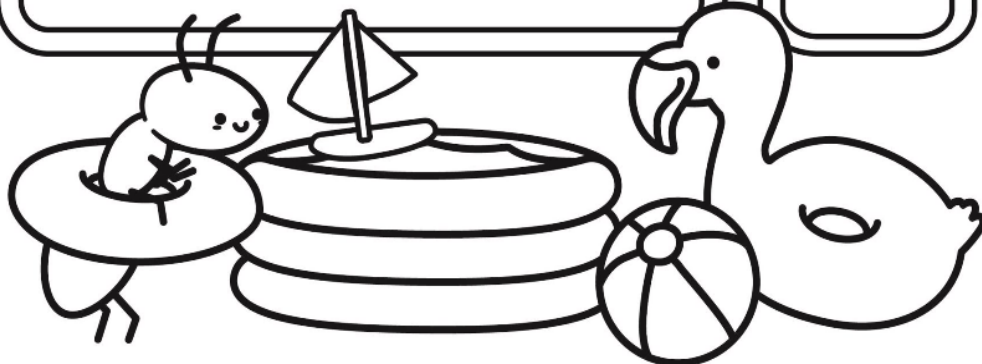
# SUMMER

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# RES Message

Dear Students, Families, and Staff,

As we are reaching the end of another incredible school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all that we've accomplished together. What a year it has been—filled with learning, culture and language, creativity, and growth!

To our amazing students: You've worked so hard, shown kindness to others, and grown in so many ways. I am so proud of each and every one of you. Always remember that you are capable of amazing things.

To our families: Thank you for your unwavering support, partnership, and involvement. From helping with schoolwork to getting your child to school every day, your role in their success is truly invaluable.

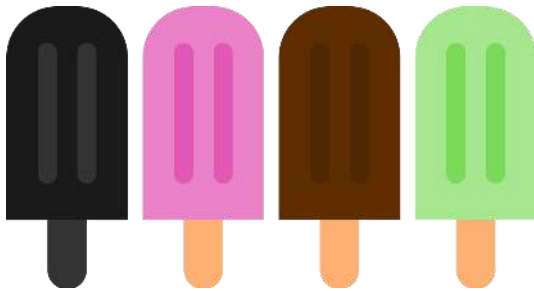
And to our dedicated teachers and staff: Your commitment to nurturing, inspiring, and guiding our students every single day is the heart of our school. Thank you for everything you do.

As we head into summer, I encourage everyone to take time to relax, recharge, and enjoy special moments with family and friends. Read lots of books, explore the outdoors, and most of all—have fun! Wishing you all a safe, joyful, and restful summer. We look forward to seeing our returning students in the fall.



# Upcoming Elementary Events

- May 26, 2025—PD Day—Staff Wellness Day @ RHS
- May 29, 2025—BRAA Track & Field Units hosted by Ile-a-la Crosse—Non-school day
- June 9-13, 2025—Grade 6 Class Trip
- June 16-19, 2025—Ile-a-la Crosse Splash Park Stay & Play
- June 18, 2025—Last Day of PK
- June 19, 2025, PK 4 Grad @ AHS
- June 19, 2025—Last Day of Kindergarten
- June 20, 2025—Kindergarten Celebration @ Amiskowîsti—1:00pm
- June 21, 2025—National Indigenous People's Day
- June 26, 2025—Last Day of Classes for students
- June 27, 2025—Administration Day—No Classes



# RHS Message

Greetings to all.

As we move closer to completing another successful year of school, what cannot be overlooked is the fact that many of us experienced so many wonderful memories this year.

From our grade 12 athletes competing in their final high school sport seasons, Robotics working their way to another National Championship, attending career fairs and other curricular trips, pairing up with an elementary class for land based learning opportunities, being invited to participate in activities at the new Friendship Centre, hosting our 3rd Annual Mental Health and Well Being Youth Conference and just recently completed our 26th Annual Michif Festival out at Amiskowisti. What is left is Track & Field (both high school and elementary) and Grad 2025. Throughout this year, we have been there for each other, stood by each other through problems, adjustments. Each and everyone can take pride in navigating through this busy year. To the staff: for your persistence and team effort, I am truly and humbly honored to be your captain.



To the students: for taking responsibility in your learning and teaming up with your teachers to be successful, I commend you. To the parents and guardians: for your super support and stepping up in helping your child with their education, I am grateful and I thank you.

I wish you all a very relaxed spring & summer. Stay well and stay safe.

Principal, Elaine Favel



# Upcoming High School Events

May 22 – HS Track & Field BRAA Meet in Ile-X

May 26 – Staff PD – No classes for students

May 29 – Elem Track & Field BRAA Meet in Ile-X

June 1-3 - Grade 11 school trip to Saskatoon

June 11 - Jr. Golf Team to Loon Lake for districts

June 20 - National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration & RHS Year end Awards

June 24 – 26 – Final Exams

June 27 – Grad 2024



Marva  
May 08, 2025 10:02 am

The Sakitawak Early Years Family Resource Center has officially opened their doors to families in Ile-a-la Crosse! Located in the newly built Ile-a-la Crosse Friendship Center has proven to be an excellent placement for the center. On Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> the Grand Opening was very well attended with 25 families in attendance along with local dignitaries. The event was hosted in the Commons Area. To follow, there were snacks and activities for families in the gymnasium on the main floor which lasted until 6:00pm that evening



The Family Resource Center is housed in the Ile-a-la Crosse Friendship Center with 21 other programs. They have shared spaces in the Friendship Center that include an indoor playground, kitchenette, full size gym and currently being built is the outdoor playground. The center is open Monday to Friday 9am—5pm daily if otherwise posted on their facebook page for programming updates or inquiries for future partnerships you can reach out to Amanda Laliberte who is the coordinator for the center at 639-832-7080.

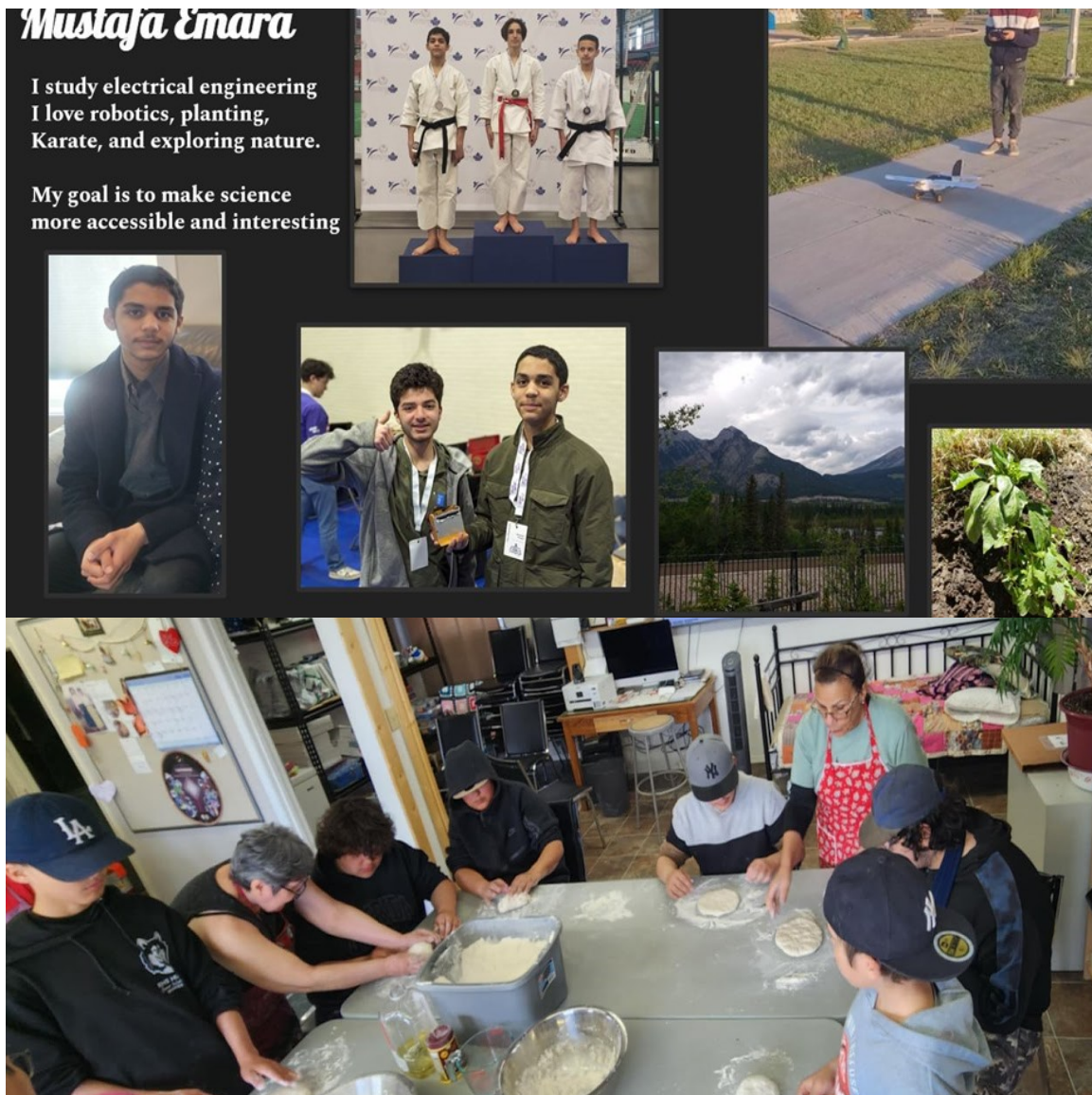






# Science Ambassadors

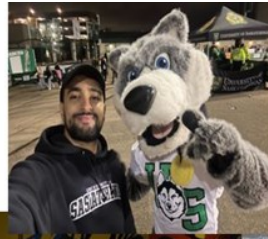
Science Ambassadors from the University of Saskatchewan are in Ile-a-la Crosse May 5th—May 30th, 2025. Mustafa and Yasser are excited to be working with our students at both schools. During their four weeks they will help make science fun.





# Yasser (He/Him)

I love travelling, hanging out with my friends, watching and playing soccer. I study biomedical science and I love the science aspect because it encourages questions and finding the answers.



## Spot 10 differences





Thank you coaches and club leaders



Thanks to Clay for helping us with planting and for welcoming our classrooms into the greenhouse.



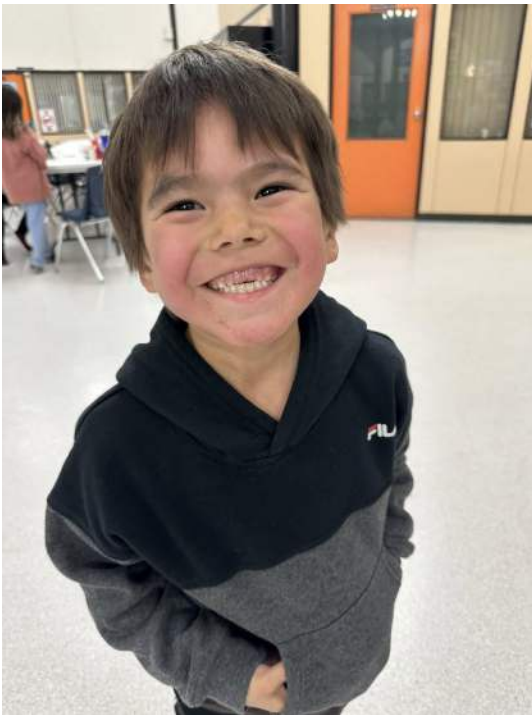


## **Family Fun Nights**

Family Fun Nights are for our families with children who are 5 years old and under. It is a partnership between Rossignol Elementary School and the Ile a la Crosse Friendship Centre. We have family activities and crafts planned for one night a month. We invite our partners from the Saskatchewan Health Authority to join us in making meaningful connections with our families. We also share a lovely meal together. This is one way that we stay connected as a community and help each other grow.

Thank you to all our families who came out throughout the year for sharing a meal, visiting and playing.

We look forward to our continued partnership with the Ile a la Crosse Friendship Center, Sakitawak Early Years Resource Center and the Saskatchewan Health Authority.



## **Attendance**

Daily attendance is crucial for student development.

Rossignol Elementary's school wide goal for attendance is to achieve higher than 85% each month.

Let's work together to achieve our goal!





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