

# **News Release**

## Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools announces new Superintendent of Schools

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At a special Board meeting held on September 8, 2025, Red Deer Catholic Regional School Division Board of Trustees appointed Dr. Rhonda Nixon as the Superintendent of Schools, effective September 8, 2025.

The decision follows a comprehensive national search conducted by the Board of Trustees.

"On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am excited to share the appointment of Dr. Rhonda Nixon as Superintendent of Schools," says Murray Hollman, Board Chair. "She was highly recommended and demonstrated a proven track record of success in rural-urban school divisions."

Rhonda has had a 25-year career in Catholic Education in Alberta, and she is deeply respected as an experienced faith-based educator who has held diverse roles as a kindergarten-post-secondary teacher, school principal, and division leader in Edmonton Catholic Schools and Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools. She has also been chief superintendent for four years in British Columbia and brings a wealth of experience in rural-urban communities to meet their unique needs.

"I have known Rhonda to be a dedicated servant leader when she served on the Board of the College of Alberta School Superintendents and President of the Catholic Council of School Superintendents of Alberta," Acting Superintendent, Ryan Ledene shared. "Rhonda is known for her collaborative and compassionate leadership and her focus on students' needs and ensuring that every student has equitable opportunities to thrive."

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"I am honored to serve in the role of superintendent for the Red Deer Catholic Regional School Division. My first priorities are to get to know staff, parents, students, and community partners. I look forward to working together to continue to bring the mission and vision alive in our division and to continue the trajectory of well-established success through the hard work of our staff," said Nixon.

Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools serves over 9,600 students in 21 schools in Red Deer, Blackfalds, Sylvan Lake, Rocky Mountain House, Innisfail, and Olds. It also supports the learning of over 950 students in a Home Education Program. The Division is committed to serving children and parents with a complete offering of learning opportunities delivered within the context of Catholic teachings and within the means of the Division.

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