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RRHS School Council
Annual Report
2016/2017

Dear Rainy River High School parents/guardians and school community members,

The RRHS School Council consisted of:

Crystal Stamler (Chair), Donna Sinninghe, (Secretary), Trish Neilson (Parent Representative) Jim Chorney (Principal), Michelle Mosbeck (Vice Principal), Jodi Wittich (Community Partner), Georgina Jarvis (Teacher Representative), Cali Vandenbrand (Student Representative)

We continued our focus on student engagement, well-being and achievement. Our school community has worked with a variety of community partners that help support the staff and students at Rainy River High School. We appreciate the time and energy dedicated to our students.

2016/2017 Highlights

School Activities include: MADD presentation, *We Care* initiatives such as Meals on Wheels, numerous athletic and art program highlights, Remembrance Day community ceremony, Student Council events (Terry Fox dunk tank fundraiser and walk, dances, school spirit events) dual credit opportunities, WeDay in Baudette, Pink Day, Earth Day “Give a Shirt” Campaign (chosen third in the province of Ontario), FNMI Student leadership meetings, RRHS Instrumental Band/Borderland Orchestra show(s) and performance at Pegamigaaboo Elementary School, Owl Theatre *Brother’s Grimm Fairy Tale* performance and Owl Dinner Theatre *Musical Stories of the Heart* performance with Riverview students, Indigenous Education activities (opening ceremonies presentation with Treaty #3 Chief Francis Kavanaugh, jingle dress teachings, artistic round tables with Elvis Adams and Darryl Big George, fish fry, goose pluck and prep, career exploration booths, jewelry making out of animal bones, guest speakers and Pow wow with visiting schools from Riverview, Sturgeon Creek and McCrossen Tovel), Closing the Gap Literacy *Secret Path* instructional planning and Human Right’s Museum trip, Young Women and Young Men participants attended the conference, Inclusive School performances, Science Trip to Old Fort William, Confederation College and University presentations, Manitou Mounds field trips, an end of year graduation ceremony that included Big Island First Nation’s drum and drummers, several outdoor education trips, group meetings and student leadership initiatives.

Our school council discussed a variety of school initiatives and goals that have contributed to the positive school climate at Rainy River High School. We discussed EQAO results and data driven decision making, school athletics, health and wellness programs, school culture and extra-curricular activities, staffing, the importance of community visits to Big Grassy and Big Island, volunteer opportunities and maintain a focus on meeting the needs and goals of students.

We are thankful for all that everyone does to contribute to our school community.
Sincerely,

Jim Chorney ~ Principal

Together, we empower all students to believe in themselves, to achieve, and to dream.