

# Highlights

Council of Commissioners' meeting of  
Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 2024



## *Recognition of Excellence*

This month the Council of Commissioners and Head Office Administrators highlighted the HOOKED on SCHOOL Days with this year marking 15 years in Estrie along with Massey-Vaniers' regional science fair that showcased loads of budding scientific inquiry.

Also recognized was the completion of the new gymnasium at Lennoxville Elementary School and this month's employee recognition for Teacher Appreciation Week.

### Dates to Remember...

Feb 28 <sup>th</sup>	National Pink Shirt Day
Mar 4 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Break
Mar 11 <sup>th</sup>	Pedagogical Day / Planning Day

## Resolutions

- Eastern Townships School Board – Membership of the purchasing group for damage insurance (vehicles, property, crime and machinery breakdown);
- Delegation of Powers to the Director General – Join mandates with the *Centre d'acquisitions gouvernementales (CAG)*;
- Delegation of Powers to the Executive Committee – MEQ Special Initiative – Vocational Training Programs;
- Sherbrooke Elementary School – South Staircase Up to Code and Administrative Sector;
- Sunnyside Elementary - Emergency Repair (Flood);
- Board Office – Purchasing of Flying Crew Vans;
- 2023-2024 School Bus Bids – Phase 2.

# Recognition of Excellence

## February 27<sup>th</sup> 2024

This month the Council of Commissioners and Senior Administrators of the Eastern Townships School Board would like to signal the following:

ETSB School Perseverance Celebrated during the HOOKED on SCHOOL Days!



Every year in February, we dedicate a week to recognizing school perseverance and applaud our students for their committed efforts! This year marked the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of HOOKED ON SCHOOL in Estrie led by the *RÉUSSIR* team. At every level, elementary, secondary and adult, students took part in amazing projects and activities to highlight the importance of investing in our learning. There were career fairs and time capsules, a perseverance mural, displays and encouraging postcards exchanged, a field trip to discover the vocational trades and even a karaoke competition to name but a few of the activities that students and staff took part in.

A special soirée in the form of a 5 à 7 brought community partners and educational leaders together to commemorate the 15-year achievement in support of school perseverance. 10 “*Coup de Coeur*” projects were selected and showcased at the event, including the 2-4-U / Concomitance program offered at Campus Brome-Missisquoi which helps bridge the gap and keep students in school and on their path. Eligible secondary students are able to finish their high school studies all the while learning a professional trade. This program is the collaborative result of 4 Estrie school service centres (CSS – *Centre de services scolaire*) and the Eastern Townships School Board, what a testament to “When there’s a will, there’s a way!” Congratulations to all and in great part to our students!

## Lennoxville Elementary Celebrates Its NEW Gymnasium

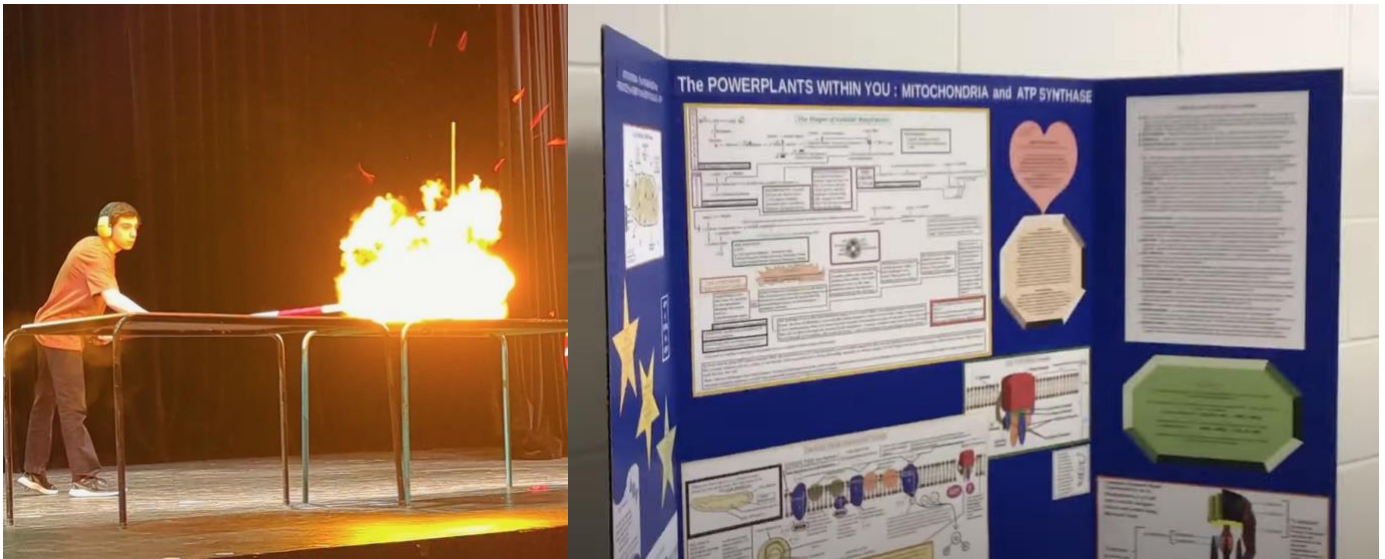


The excitement was on high Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, when LES students were finally able to enter their new gym!! Since last August, students and staff have had to tough it out and run every physical education class outside, rain or shine. To say that everyone was pleased to have a brand new shiny gym is a total understatement. The “soft opening” was celebrated in fine form, with the children’s pleasure at the top of the list. The whole school gathered in the gym for a short ceremony and a surprise visit from neighbouring Bishop’s athletes who were accompanied by their mascot, the Gaiter, much to the students’ delight! A scavenger hunt by class was had to allow for the fun discovery of new things in the gymnasium. Lennoxville Elementary plans to hold a community opening later in the spring once the muddy boot season wraps up...stay tuned for more!





## Massey-Vanier High School Hosts Science Fair



On Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> Massey-Vanier High School (MVHS) hosted its regional science fair after a 3-year hiatus. With over 85 exhibits and 6 schools represented, it was a showcase of our ETSB students' ingenuity, curiosity and inquiry. The elementary level competition was strong with Butler, Waterloo, Mansonville, Farnham and Knowlton Academy all sending contingents. Butler Elementary had the highest average overall score and in result, won the elementary trophy this year for the 4<sup>th</sup> year running. The MVHS winners were Alycia Hebert and Jaida Eland from Secondary 4 with their project entitled "Dreams." It was a creative and thought-provoking event that wowed the judges and all who attended. BRAVO to our student scientists and experimentalists; your enthusiasm for discovery learning is most inspiring! Check out the video to see all the budding scientists [HERE](#).

## Teacher Appreciation Week

Join us in celebrating  
**TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**  
from February 5th to 9th 2024!

Educators are unsung heroes. We all carry memories of that one teacher who left an indelible mark on our lives, be it helping discover a passion, navigating a challenging year, or offering a comforting shoulder.

Teachers labor tirelessly to impart knowledge, inspire, and steer us towards success. Therefore, we ask you to join us in expressing our sincere gratitude during this Teacher Appreciation Week!

THANK YOU!

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This month we recognized our ETSB teachers during February's Teacher Appreciation Week. Our teachers are an invaluable resource and bring so much talent and dedication to our learning community. We could not thank them enough for all that they do, but here are a few comments that were publicly posted expressing gratitude: "You are the best!", "I hope you realize how much you are appreciated.", "Thank you for your dedication and passion for our students.", "Great job, thanks for all your hard work." and so many more! The ETSB team salutes all of our teachers and sends out a sincere thank you for their vital contribution.