

Grande Yellowhead Welcomes New CEO

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that Carolyn Lewis has been appointed as the new Superintendent of Schools and Chief Executive Officer for Grande Yellowhead Public School Division effective August 14, 2017.

Board Chair Brenda Rosadiuk comments, "We welcome Ms. Lewis to the Grande Yellowhead family and look forward to working with her to continue our pursuit of providing high-quality education for our students. Ms. Lewis was selected from a field of truly outstanding candidates. We believe that Carolyn's focus on students, her strong work commitment and her ability to work collaboratively are an excellent fit for building on the current strengths of our Division."



Ms. Lewis has maintained an exemplary record over a thirty-two year period as an educator in Alberta. She has excelled as a teacher, an assistant principal, a principal with the Edmonton Public School Board, and as a Senior Education Manager in three branches of Alberta Education for the past four years. She comes to Grande Yellowhead with a wide range of experiences. Carolyn was an Excellence in Teaching Award finalist, a winner of a Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence, and a recipient of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal for Contributions to Education.

Ms. Lewis has a strong practical and theoretical background in educational leadership. She holds a Bachelor of Education (Secondary) degree from the University of Alberta. She has also earned a Master of Education degree in Curriculum and Leadership from the University of Phoenix.

Carolyn notes "I am a transformative leader. I believe in teamwork and shared decision-making within an environment of trust. I value all staff as individuals and as members of professional teams. I commit to being an ambassador for the Division and an advocate for our students and staff. I look forward, with tremendous pride and anticipation, to serving as Superintendent of Schools for a Division that is caring, innovative and student centered with diverse programming."

Carolyn and her husband Francis have a daughter, Alison. Carolyn enjoys skiing, hiking, walking, golfing, gardening, cooking, reading and traveling.

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