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#### Share your ideas about COSC as parent stakeholder

The Board of Trustees recently decided to have the Council of School Councils (COSC) serve as the CBE's official parent stakeholder.

Please take a few minutes to complete this brief, three-question survey by Nov. 18. Your input will help inform the Board's decision-making about this relationship.

Complete survey

#### Future COSC meetings

Please ensure these Council of School Councils (COSC) meeting dates are in your calendar. All meetings will take place 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Education Centre, 1221 - 8 Street S.W. (free underground parking is provided). Two representatives from each school council are invited to attend.

Meeting topics will be shared as soon as they are available.

- Nov. 27: High school success and plans for COSC as parent stakeholder
- Jan. 29
- Feb. 26
- April 23

Materials presented at each COSC meeting will be available on the CBE website following the meeting. All materials from the Sept. 30 meeting are available on the website and materials from the Oct. 29 meeting will be posted by Nov. 12. See CBE School Councils Meeting Follow

#### CBE seeking audit committee volunteers

The Board of Trustees is seeking volunteers for its Audit Committee.

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#### Nominate an outstanding teacher or principal for the 2015 Excellence in Teaching Awards

The 2015 Excellence in Teaching Awards program is now open and accepting nominations for outstanding teachers and principals.

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#### Board of Trustees explores options for a byelection

On Oct. 3 Sheila Taylor resigned from her position as a CBE trustee.

Since that time the CBE Board of Trustees has been examining options to address the vacant trustee seat on the Board.

At the Oct. 28, 2014 CBE Board of Trustees' meeting Chair Joy Bowen-Eyre provided a statement.

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#### Important information from Alberta Health Services (AHS)

AHS has asked school boards throughout the province to share information with students, parents and staff regarding immunization and vaccine-preventable diseases.

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### CBE Board of Trustees approves updated ranking criteria for school capital planning

The Calgary Board of Education (CBE) has reviewed the ranking criteria utilized for requesting new school construction and major modernizations, and has created a new set of criteria to be used for requesting modular units as part of school capital planning.

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One of the most significant ways parents and community members can make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students is through school councils. By connecting students, schools and communities, school councils help nurture and inspire our students to achieve their full potential.

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## CBE Board approved modular classroom plan

On Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2014, the CBE Board of Trustees approved the 2015-16 Modular Classroom Plan. The plan identifies CBE priorities for new modular classrooms according to new ranking criteria approved by the Board.

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