



Superintendent's Report for DEC

Lead, Learn and Grow

September 9, 2026



Improve student achievement by enhancing instructional and assessment practices through targeted professional support.

- Summer Learning welcomed teachers throughout the summer to engage in subject specific professional development with subject area coordinators and coaches/leads.

Ensure that all employees are empowered to excel in their roles.

- Successfully staffed Principal, Vice-Principal, and teacher vacancies across the district. 32 - School Administrators; 240 "D" contract Teachers recalled; 48 new teachers.
- Provided mentorship and transition support for new and newly appointed administrators. Orientation Session, August 25, Administrator Meeting, August 26, Administrator virtual meetings, August 27.
- Supported school leaders in preparing for a successful start-up to the 2026-27 school year.
- Communicated and supported the implementation of new and revised policies affecting school operations.
- Welcomed our new teachers for a day of professional learning, August 10 and 19. Sessions focused on job orientation, classroom management and instructional planning.
- Collaborated with NBTA Professional Learning chairs to plan two days of professional development for our teachers September 1 and 2. Sessions were offered to all teachers in all subject areas. Sessions were offered in person, virtual and self-paced modules.
- Education Support Services team presented professional learning open to teachers in Anglophone South School District on the following: Positive Psychology, Building Resilience, Restorative Practices, Trauma-Informed Practices, MyBlueprint and Hopeful Transitions, and Being SOGI inclusive Back to School.
- Oracle Fusion Training for Principals and Vice Principals, August 27.

Develop a culture of belonging and equity for all learners by addressing systemic racism and ensuring universal design for learning.

- September Transition Days (Kindergarten, Grades 6 and 9).

Other:

- Provincial Calendar Pilot (slides attached).
- Provincial Lunch Program.

ASD-S will create the most engaging, equitable and high achieving learning environments for all.

Calendar Pilot Schools

- Harbour View High
- Kennebecasis Valley High
- Rothesay High
- Saint John High
- Saint Malachy's Memorial High
- Simonds High
- Sir James Dunn Academy
- Fairvale Elementary
- Quispamsis Middle
- Vincent Massey Elementary

Pilot Calendar

September 25

October 9 and 23

November 27

December 4

January 4

February 2 and 12

March 12

April 23

June 4



Objectives of these changes

- 1. Increase Student Achievement:** prioritizing high-quality instructional practice through more frequent professional learning, collaboration, and planning
- 2. Increase Staff Collaboration and Planning:** time for quality collaborative work and instructional planning to improve teaching practice – including collaboration among all employee groups
- 3. Improve Staff Well-Being:** Address dedicated planning time, workload challenges and reduce stress to promote a healthier work schedule for staff

**What will be
happening
on these
days?**

Professional Learning

Collaborative
Opportunities

Independent Work

Cellphones and Personal Mobile devices

GRADE	USING A CELL PHONE AND/OR PERSONAL MOBILE DEVICE AT SCHOOL		
K-8	 During the school day	 NO	No devices from first bell to last bell. Devices must be silent and put away.
	 Breaks and lunch	 NO	
9-12	SEPTEMBER 8, 2026 – JANUARY 31, 2027		Devices must be silent and put away but can be used during breaks and lunch.
	 During class	 NO	
	 Breaks and lunch	 YES	
	FEBRUARY 1, 2027 – END OF YEAR		No devices from first bell to last bell. Devices must be silent and put away.
	 During the school day	 NO	
	 Breaks and lunch	 NO	

Devices are allowed for medical, accessibility, communication, or accommodation needs.

Digital tools for learning



GRADE	USING SCHOOL-PROVIDED DEVICES ON THE SCHOOL NETWORK		
K-12	School devices used for learning and schoolwork	 YES	All software, online resources, videos, and digital content used in class must be for educational purposes.
9-12	Personal laptops/tablets as part of BYOD program for learning and schoolwork	 YES	

Changes take effect **September 1, 2026**