



# ROLLING RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT'S BULLETIN

April, 2008

1. A number of new/revised policies have been approved by the Board since my last bulletin. Please take a few minutes and familiarize yourself with policies that concern you.

BCB	- Role of the Board Chair and Vice Chair
BCE	- Standing Committees of the Board
DLCA	- Bus Driver Hydro Compensation
ECAC	- Video Surveillance
ECAE	- Visitor Identification and School Access <b>*See Note</b>
EEABA	- School Bus Route Planning
EEACB	- Transportation - Strobe Lights
EG	- School Division Office Hours
GBDE	- Non-Union Employee Vacation
GBEA	- Workplace Safety and Health
GCDA	- Personnel Record Checks
GCPC	- Years of Service and Retirement Recognition
GDAJ	- Executive Assistant Job Qualifications and Description Regulation
GDB	- Non-Union Employee Sick Leave
GDBA	- Support Staff Anniversary
GDBC	- Trades Employee Apprenticeship Training Supplementary Unemployment Benefit Plan
GDBE	- Non-Unionized Support Staff Maternity and Adoptive Leave Supplementary Unemployment Benefit Plan
GDBDA	- Non-Union Employees Sick Leave
GDNA	- Evaluation of Bus Drivers
IGA	- 4-H Credits
IGAB	- Physical Education / Health Education - Grade 9-12
IHA	- Hutterite Colony School Support
JFC	- Personal Electronic Devices (PEDs)
KG	- Community Use of School Facilities

**\*NOTE:**

A priority of our School Division is to promote a safe school environment. To meet this goal, the division will implement procedures to control visitor access to our schools and to clearly identify accepted visitors.

The division will require all visitors to schools to:

- ◆ Report to the school office at the start and end of each visit.
- ◆ Sign in and sign out at each visit.
- ◆ Wear a Rolling River School Division identification tag during his/her visit to the school.

2. Manitoba Education, Citizen and Youth (MECY) has introduced a Rural Clinician Bursary. This bursary will support training of existing teachers or post-secondary students who are willing to obtain training in speech/language pathology, psychology, occupational therapy and physiotherapy. The bursary is valued at up to \$25,000. If interested call Debbie Parrott for more info.
3. Congratulations to John Zilkey on his appointment to Vice-Principal at Elton Collegiate and to Marlow Knight as Vice-Principal at Forrest Elementary. These appointments are effective for the 2008-09 school year.
4. Congratulations to Ron Shewchuk who was named Official Baseball Umpire at the Beijing Olympics this summer.
5. The 2008-09 school calendar has been approved (*see attached*).
6. Congratulations to Nancy Hammell at Minnedosa Collegiate on receiving the Christie's Office Plus Award for in recognition of the time and effort contributed by an instructor in order to support the quest of youths in their pursuit of knowledge and excellence in the fields of Science and Technology.

**7 Tips for Maintaining a Positive Attitude**

- 1. Learn healthy ways to manage your stress.**
- 2. Think of challenges as opportunities to shine.**
- 3. Look for the best in others - and yourself.**
- 4. Eat right and get plenty of rest.**
- 5. Focus on the joys in life and remember to laugh.**
- 6. Keep things in perspective. Do what you can do, and let go of the rest.**
- 7. Take pride in your work and your achievements.**