New Frontiers School Board Our story... by the numbers

A summary of the 2020-2021 Annual Report

The complete report can be viewed online at **www.nfsb.qc.ca**



With a history that spans close to two hundred years and a territory that covers rural farmland and bustling suburbia, we are the **New Frontiers** School Board.

We are more than charts and numbers; we are a community. We are families volunteering for fundraisers and sport tournaments; elected officials weighing the options and making decisions to ensure we stretch our resources to the limit; dedicated workers giving of our time to make sure students have everything they need to succeed. We are a community of lifelong learners, a community that cares. That's who we are.

Our Vision The New Frontiers School Board is committed to success for all students.

Our Mission To realize our vision, our mission is to:

- Provide experiences that will challenge our students and employees to learn and develop respect for themselves, others, and the environment;
- Engage students, parents, staff, and our communities as educational partners;
- Expect and support all employees to continuously improve with a focus on enhancing student learning;
- Create a hospitable learning environment where everyone feels they belong and are appreciated.



4-Year-Old Kindergarten

In 2020-21, every elementary school had at least one group, for a total of:

16 Groups & 169 Students

Continuing Education

@ November 2020
General Education 182
Vocational Education 445
Total Adult 627 FTEs*

*Full-time Equivalent

2020-2021 Financial Results

Revenues	\$ 70,738,134
Expenditures	70,432,610
Net Surplus	\$ 305,524

Accumulated Surplus

Opening Balance\$ (3,228,445)Operational Surplus305,524Ending Balance\$ (2,922,921)



Council of Commissioners



- 5 Commissioners
 - 10 Elected
 - 1 Chair
 - 4 Representing Parents

- 11 Council meetings held using telecommunications, due to Covid-19 restrictions and curfews.
 - **2** Special meetings took place.

2 Meetings were cancelled due to the election "black-out" period.

School Elections

- **September 17, 2020:** Courts grant a stay on the application of Law 40 to the English school system in Quebec; elections will take place for new councils.
- **September 27, 2020:** At the close of the nomination period, New Frontiers has 8 Wards, and the position of Chair, acclaimed; Wards 3 & 4 will go to election.
- **October 7, 2020:** Ministerial Decree 1039-2020 postpones School Elections due to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- **November 13, 2020: M**inisterial Decree 1076-2020 declares School Elections resume on December 20, 2020.
- November 26, 2020: Ministerial Decree 2020-096 postpones School Elections again due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this time for several months.



NFSB's Student Coalition provides a platform for students to collaborate and have a voice in the processes, decisions, and operations that take place within their school.

This platform also provides an opportunity for reflection on issues of concern to the student body and to collaboratively develop and implement strategies while striving towards overall improvement.

The NFSB Student Coalition is comprised of student representatives from each school.

Years

The 2020-21 school year was critical for fostering student activism. Although our Student Coalition was not able to meet in person, we ensured that our collaboration and motivation to improve our communities continued. Our group joined on Teams for a student voice contest. The task was to answer the question, "What global issue impacts you the most, and what can you do about it?", and we spent time learning about various social issues (mental health, poverty, violence, climate change, pollution etc.). After the learning component we voted to choose which one most impacted our students. We entered the contest describing why mental health and climate change impacts us.

For our second and final meeting on Teams, we discussed the devastating issue of feminicides in Quebec. Our students decided they wanted (and needed) to act! We wrote a letter to Geneviève Guilbault, Minister of Public Security, urging her to make changes. Students suggested more resources and support for domestic abuse victims, awareness and mental health campaigns, prevention through education, and anonymous text lines.

Great work to our Student Coalition for addressing such important issues!

School Transportation



60 busses transported our students

Services were provided by **7** bus companies and included: **46** Regular size; **13** Minis; and **1** Berline

7 of our minis transported students to **4** special needs schools: Brenda Milner, Mackay Centre, Peter Hall, Summit Technology

2,190 Service Requests treated **4,000** Average daily users on Teams

4,500 Average daily O365 connections

9,6 Terabytes of data in OneDrive Which represents over 4,500,000 files!

We've got mail!

Every day, on average, NFSB:

- Sends 3,000 emails.
- Receives 14,000 emails.
- And reads 10,000 emails.





Information Security

Attempts are always being made to breach our security. Daily, and on average, we block:

- **10,000** spam emails;
- **400** phishing emails;
- **40** malware emails.



Following are the year three results of the New Frontiers School Board's Commitment to Success Plan 2018-2022

The New Frontiers School Board's Commitment to Success Plan was adopted by the Council of Commissioners on May 22, 2018; it was approved by the Minister of Education, Sebastien Proulx in July 2018.

The 2020-2021 Annual Report was deposited with the Minister of Education, Jean-François Roberge, on December 21, 2021, using the Government's Collecte-Info site.

NEW FRONTIERS

Objective 1: By 2030, reduce by 50% the gap in success rates between various groups of students

Boys & Girls

14.2%

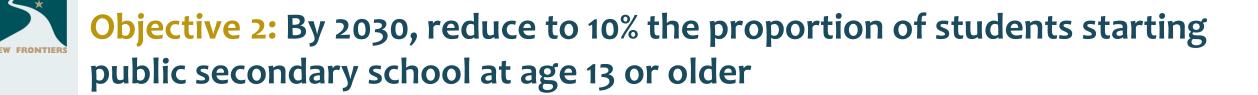
Our current gap between boys (69.6%) and girls (83.8%); we need to bring this down to 5%

Students with Learning Difficulties & Special Needs 21.9% Our current gap between regular students (80.8%) and EHDAA (58.9%); our target is 25.3%

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High School Students from "Disadvantaged" Schools 3.9% Our current gap between students from disadvantaged schools (74.1%) and intermediate schools (78%); our target is 4.5%

1st Generation Immigrants 13.8% Our current gap between first year immigrant students (62.5%) and other students (76.3%); our target is 7.2%





The percentage of students 9.6% who started high school at age 13 or older in 2020; our target is 6%



Objective 3: By 2030, bring to 85% the proportion of students under the age of 20 who obtain a first diploma, and to 90% the proportion of students who obtain a first diploma or qualification



The percentage of students from our 2013-2014 cohort who have obtained a first diploma or qualification; our target is 84%

Objective 4: By 2030, bring to 90% the success rate on the Elementary Cycle 3, Year 2 English Mother Tongue Ministry Exam, Written Component (*Production*)

While the Minister's objective refers to Language of Instruction in Elementary 4 (Cycle 2, Year 2), a compulsory Ministry examination in English Language Arts at that level does not exist. NFSB will instead be using the results in the Ministry-set examination for the end-of-cycle 3. An annual marking centre for all grade 6 ELA teachers has been established to ensure Board-wide standards.

No exams in 2020-2021 due to the pandemic.

Objective 5: By 2030, ensure that all school buildings are in satisfactory condition

84% The percentage of NFSB buildings in satisfactory condition; our target is 85%

Thank-you!

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