



December 13, 2023

To: BRSD Families  
From: Rhae-Ann Holoien, Superintendent of Schools

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Subject: Happy Holidays

As we approach the holiday season and the close of this year, I want to extend my heartfelt wishes to each and every one of you for a joyous holiday season and a prosperous new year. This holiday season, may you find time for rest, reflection, and the joy of spending precious moments with your loved ones.

As we look toward 2024, I am excited about the continued growth and witnessing the success of our students. Your commitment and support make a significant impact, and I am confident that we will continue to achieve great things in the coming year.

I would like to mention an item of importance as we move into the new year. The Alberta government's annual Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) survey will be completed from January to March. Collected data will help to determine how well BRSD is achieving our goals, ensuring that it continues to meet the needs of our students and families. More information about the survey's main objectives and goals, as well as survey questions and results from previous years can be found [here](#). A more detailed letter will be shared from your principal in January 2024. Our Annual Education Results Report ([AERR](#)) shares our data from the previous survey.

I have appreciated the warm welcome since my arrival to the division. Thank you for your ongoing support. My first four months in Battle River School Division have been enjoyable. I have witnessed so much support for our vision: Every Student, Every Day, a Success.

Thank you to Ryley School student, Payton, who is the voice of our [radio ad](#) which will be broadcasted on local stations, 840 CFCW and 98.1 New Country from Dec. 18 to 20.

Holiday school closure begins on Dec. 21 and students will return to classrooms on Jan. 4. I hope you enjoy family time over the break. I am looking forward to the new year.

[Wishing you a wonderful holiday season](#) and a fantastic year ahead!

Sincerely,

Rhae-Ann Holoien  
Superintendent of Schools