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To:BRSD FamiliesFrom:Rhae-Ann Holoien, Superintendent of Schools

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Subject: Reminders for the New Year

Welcome to the new year of 2024. I hope that you all have had a wonderful holiday season. We are excited to embark on a new year filled with endless possibilities and opportunities for our BRSD students.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all that our division's <u>Annual Education Results Report</u> (AERR) is now available on our website. This report highlights the successes and achievements that our students and staff have experienced in the past year. We are proud of the progress that we have made, and we are committed to providing the best possible education for our students.

Key highlights noted are successes in BRSD's equity work, building improvements, and other assurance areas. Our graduation rates have improved and sit above the provincial average, and our Safe and Caring Work Preparation measures demonstrate a high rate of achievement. Additional noteworthy statistics:

- 87% of parents and 80% of students agree that our schools are safe and caring;
- 87% of parents, students and teachers are satisfied with the quality of basic information;
- 81% of teachers indicated that their school and schools in their jurisdiction have improved or stayed the same over the last three years.

For more details about AERR successes, please see our media release.

The annual <u>Alberta Education Assurance (AEA) survey</u> will be sent to parents or guardians of students in Grades 4, 7 and 10. Your feedback and participation will help us to best meet the expectations and needs of our families and students. Please find an information sheet for parents and guardians completing the AEA survey <u>here</u>.

Once again, I wish you all a <u>Happy New Year</u>. I look forward to working with you all to achieve our collective goals for our students.

Sincerely,

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Rhae-Ann Holoien Superintendent of Schools