

ST. LORENZO RUIZ

# St. Lorenzo Ruiz Middle School

# Agenda For This Evening



- ❖ Welcome/Prayer (Ryan Ledene)
  - Introductions
  - Opening Remarks
- ❖ Information Regarding SLR (Rob Coumont)
- ❖ Transportation Information (Shevon Coram)
- ❖ What's Next? (Ryan Ledene)
- ❖ Tours (Kyle, Joel, Wendy, with Grade 9 Leaders)
- ❖ Answer Your Questions (Tables in Gathering area)

# Introductions



- **St.Lorenzo Ruiz Administration and Staff:**

Rob Coumont  
Makayla Monks

Joel Peterman  
Wendy Lynch

Kyle Visser  
Caileigh Demuynck

- **Inclusion and Foundations/Blended:**

Rob Melenchuk

Kelly Johannesson

- **Transportation:**

Shevon Coram

Kelli Pickett

- **Educational Partnerships/Career Education/CTS:**

Tracey Millar

- **Senior Administration:**

Kathleen Finnigan

Ryan Sawula

Ryan Ledene

# Opening Remarks



- Thanks for your feedback to our online response form (90 responses)!
- Appreciation for the solution-focused feedback we have had.
- January 26th - Board of Trustees Decision
  - RDCRS currently has available space in one of our buildings within the Division.
  - This space delivers programming at the middle school level in a new facility.
  - The financial resources necessary to make use of this additional space are significantly less than any other option.
  - Parent feedback indicated an understanding of the need for an adjustment to be made.
  - Parent feedback was mixed concerning the two options presented.
  - Other options were examined and found to have significant concerns.
- Option 2 (Engagement Evening and Response Form) was to move grades 7,8,9. What changed?



# Opening Remarks



- To create enough space at St. Gregory's RDCRS used student enrollment to determine that we need to move 3 grade levels out of St. Gregory's.
- Upon hearing from parents at the Engagement Forum and in the data collected through the Feedback Form, it appeared that moving the 7,8,9 inclusively was not the only option in front of us to achieve this goal.
- Since the board decision to move a select group of middle school students we have come up with 4 options that would ensure the appropriate amount of students are relocated.
- We feel that after parents have had this opportunity to see St. Lorenzo, we can share another feedback opportunity with these 4 options.

# Options



- Option A - Move 7,8,9 to St. Lorenzo Ruiz
- Option B - Move 6, 7, 8, 9 (all middle school) to St. Lorenzo Ruiz
- Option C - Move 6, 7, 8 next year and grade 9 stays to finish at St. Gregory and then all middle school students would be at St. Lorenzo Ruiz the following year.
- Option D - Move 7, 8 next year and grade 9 stays to finish at St. Gregory and then 7,8,9 would be at St. Lorenzo Ruiz the following year.

# Process for Answering your Questions

In order to answer questions you may have in an efficient manner, we have question tables set up in our gathering area and our multicultural area based on different topics:

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Transportation- Shevon Coram

St.Lorenzo Ruiz Information- Rob Coumont

Educational Partnerships/Career Education/CTS- Tracey Millar

Inclusion and Foundations/Blended - Rob Melenchuk, Kelly Johannesson

# St.Lorenzo Ruiz Middle School Information



- ❖ Faith Based Education
- ❖ Grades 6-9
- ❖ Established in 2023
- ❖ Presently 336 students
- ❖ Division Foundations and Blended Programs
- ❖ Dedicated staff of 49
- ❖ Faith Based Ed./Career Pathways/Authentic Learning

# St.Lorenzo Ruiz Video



# Parish Connection / Faith



Sacred Heart

Spiritual Wellness Lessons

Permeation focus for Staff

Faith Coaches - Joel Peterman/Kyle Visser



# Mission/Vision

Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. Matthew 7:7

## VISION STATEMENT:

Grounded in our faith, we extend a heartfelt invitation to all community members to develop a deep, genuine relationship with Christ. Through authentic and lifelong learning experiences, we will inspire personal growth and intellectual development rooted in choice, hands on learning and career pathways.

## MISSION STATEMENT:

Our mission is to provide a safe, nurturing, and faith-filled environment where students are encouraged to find their unique voices, share their gifts and talents, and develop resilience in the face of challenges. Through inclusive environments, we empower every student to learn, grow and succeed. We believe in creating a strong sense of community where relationships are prioritized to ensure everyone feels connected and valued.





# Staff





# CTF

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- Graphic Design
- Coding
- E-Sports
- Dance

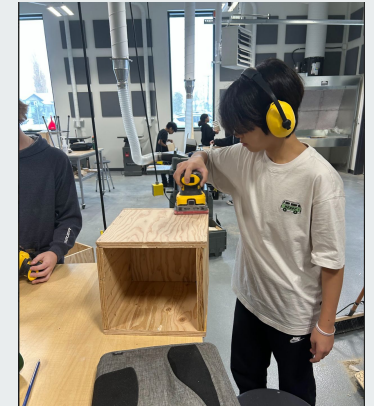


- Entrepreneurship and Marketing
- Band
- Art
- Digital Expression

A poster for an esports tournament. At the top, it says "GOLDEN EAGLES" in a stylized font. Below that, there's an illustration of two gamers. The text on the poster reads: "SSBU TOURNAMENT", "WHERE: E-SPORTS LAB MON-THURS / LIBRARY (FINAL ON FRIDAY)", "WHEN: LUNCH RECESS", "FEB. 12-16", "RULES/SIGN UP (BELOW):". At the bottom right, there's a QR code and the "SUPER SMASH BROS. ULTIMATE" logo.



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- Shop
- Foods
- Digital Production

# Educational Partnerships/Career Education



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## Exploration Camps with Community Partnerships



# Athletics



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# Positive Recognition Program



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# Golden Eagle Qualities

Students, Staff and Families have chosen the following qualities which describes further what it means to SOAR like a Golden Eagle!!



## Compassion

This promotes a sense of **community** and fosters **positive relationships** among students.



## Courage

This encourages **personal growth** and **resilience**.



## Kindness

This creates a **sense of belonging** and fosters a **positive classroom atmosphere**.



## Leadership

This encourages **teamwork, critical thinking**, and **problem-solving skills**, preparing students for future roles as leaders in their communities.



## Respect

This cultivates a culture of **inclusivity**, tolerance, and **understanding** in the school community.

# Transportation (Shevon)



- All students will be transported if they require it.
- Routes will be about 45 minutes in length.
- Specialized busing will be available for students with complex needs if required
- Busing will continue to be offered to those who choose to remain at St. Lorenzo upon the opening of the new school in Blackfalds.

# What's Next?



- Offer an open house at St. Lorenzo Ruiz School
- Send another feedback form to get feedback from parents in regards to the 4 proposed options before making a recommendation to the board.
- Offer parents and students the choice to remain at St. Lorenzo Ruiz for the remainder of their middle school years upon the opening of the new school and provide transportation equal to the parameters set for a 'school of choice'.
- Continue to deny non-resident student applications during these 3 years.
- Develop a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Document to be placed on school website.
- Provide a transportation document.



# Tours

- 3 Tour Groups Mr. Peterman, Mrs. Lynch, Mr. Visser
  - CTF- Career Pathways
  - Authentic Learning
  - Student Experience



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