

Thank you for your Time and Talents

In this busy world of ours, we often do not recognize those people who impact our lives through their acts of kindness and selfless giving. These individuals provide a quality of life to our lives and communities that cannot be replaced. Within our schools, for example, hours are dedicated by the staff to provide quality activities that extend beyond the classroom engagement that enhance the development and experiences of our students.

The various sports teams and events, the special family nights, the Band trips and concerts, the chorale presentations, the multi-cultural trips, the art exhibits and the musical theatre presentations are but a few examples of the experiences that enhance our students' development and growth. These activities do not "just happen" but are the result of years of skill development and careful design of those teachers and volunteers who are involved. We do not witness the hours of planning, practice and strategy development as a coach guides a team through the season and enters the excitement and demands of divisional or provincial competition. We do not know of the hours of sleepless nights as a staff member stages the next scene of a musical presentation or worries about whether lines or melodies will be memorized in time for the performance night. We do not know of the worries or the extra hours spent in preparing a band concert and putting together repertoire that the students can successfully perform and will also delight the audience. We do not know of the hours of planning and effort that provides the opportunity for our students to experience life in another province or country. All of these efforts and hours are freely given because these individuals, these leaders within our division believe that these are quality experiences for our youth that no other experience can provide. These hours of commitment and involvement with our youth occur unnoticed by most community members.

A huge "thank-you" is extended to the teachers and volunteers in our division who give of their talents and time to enrich these important years of development for our youth. You are our local "heroes" who year after year provide quality life experiences for our students. You inspire our youth. Learning is a life-long journey. These are the memories that our youth will take with them as they leave school. Thank you for those memories!

Respectfully submitted,

Beautiful Plains School Division Board of Trustees