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PRAIRIE VALLEY SCHOOL DIVISION CELEBRATES PROVINCIAL STUDENTS' DAY

Prairie Valley School Division, along with the Saskatchewan School Boards Association and other school boards across the province, is promoting the importance of being present and participating at school with this year's theme "Be present at school – every day counts".

"Regular and punctual attendance at school is vital in helping students learn and achieve success," said Prairie Valley Board of Education Chair Janet Kotylak. "Our schools and parents take a collaborative approach to support regular attendance of students, and we celebrate that the Division's overall attendance rate has been consistently high for the past four years."

To honour and reinforce the importance of education, September 1, 2015 – the first day back at school in Saskatchewan – was proclaimed Provincial Students' Day in the province by the Hon. Don Morgan, Minister of Education and this theme was announced by education partners.

"Thank you to teachers and staff who have worked hard to get their classrooms ready to welcome students back on their first day of school," Minister Morgan said. "Provincial Students' Day highlights the importance of being ready to learn in the classroom today and throughout the year."

The theme of "Be present at school – every day counts" supports the targets set out in the Education Sector Strategic Plan to improve student achievement in Saskatchewan.

A video featuring the theme has been produced to promote Provincial Students' Day and the theme and is available for viewing here: <http://youtu.be/JLpU6UuIOtc>.

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