

The *Constitution Act of 1867* placed education within the authority of provincial government. Section 92 states: **In and for each province the Legislature may exclusively make laws in relation to education.**

Role of School Board

1994 – School Boards reduced from 181 to 62.
*Livingstone Range School Division created from Crowsnest S.D., Pincher Creek S.D., & Willow Creek S.D.

*Municipal or Local Elections are held every 3 years in Alberta;
*Governed by the Municipal Act and the Elections Act.
*Trustees are elected as are city, town, village, & rural councillors.
*Next election is in October, 2013.

The laws relating to elementary and secondary education in Alberta are found primarily in the *Alberta School Act*:
1970 – more local control and decision-making authority given to school boards.
1988 – current Alberta School Act passed.
1994- amendments included restructuring of school boards, reducing the number of school boards, reducing their control & decision-making, providing a provincial funding system, developing a mechanism for measuring educational results to increase school jurisdictions accountability.
1995- amendment to clarify the advisory role of school councils.
2011(April 27)- Bill 18, Education Act, passed First Reading in the Legislative Assembly

Livingstone Range School Division is governed by 17 Board Policies. Administrative Procedures direct the day-to-day management of the school division. Strategic direction is set forth in jurisdictional plans including the Three Year Education Plan and Capital Plan. Jurisdictional reports such as the Annual Education Results Report, Class Size Report and Audited Financial Statements provide information on the implementation of plans and initiatives.

Board Priorities

- to offer a broader range of high school programs
- to improve student junior high achievement in Mathematics and Science
- to improve First Nation, Metis and Inuit student success and achievement
- to ensure student, parent and community participation and involvement

Seven trustees, representing three wards, serve on the Board of Livingstone Range School Division #68. Following is a list of trustees, effective with the October 18, 2010 election:

Ward 1: Charlene Dunlop
Kelly Hall

Ward 2: Dick Peterson
Clara Yagos

Ward 3: Martha Ratcliffe
Shannon Scherger
Jim Burdett



Through the School Act, the Government of Alberta delegates much of its authority for the governance of education to locally elected boards.

The School Board:

- establishes the mandate, mission and vision for the jurisdiction;
- determines the policies, goals and priorities;
- determines how the financial resources will be used ;
- represents and reflects the values and aspirations of their electorate;
- accounts to their electorate for the results of the jurisdiction;
- hires a superintendent to manage the affairs of the jurisdiction.

Vision Statement: To be leaders in providing quality education to rural students in a dynamic learning environment