

## **2025 Election Candidate Biography – Stefanie Clarke**

### **Vision and goals/platform**

#### **Stefanie Clarke's Advocacy Priorities**

Peace Wapiti Academy Replacement High School – Remain steadfast in advocating for the completion of the replacement high school project, ensuring students have access to safe, modern, and well-equipped learning environments.

Addressing Classroom Complexity – Acknowledge and tackle classroom complexity as a systemic issue, advocating for thoughtful, comprehensive solutions that support teachers and improve learning conditions for all students.

Strong Family and Community Partnerships – Support active collaboration with school councils, parents, and community members, recognizing families as vital partners in student success and the heart of the school system.

Sustainable Funding and Fiscal Responsibility – Advocate at the provincial level for fair and consistently sustainable funding while ensuring taxpayer dollars are managed responsibly, with transparency and accountability.

Equitable, High-Quality Education – Work to provide consistent, high-quality educational opportunities for every student, regardless of location, background, or circumstance.

Student/Staff Health and Wellness – Champion programs and supports that address the mental, physical, and emotional well-being of students, recognizing wellness as a foundation for learning.

### **Local community involvement**

Stefanie is passionate about giving back to her community. She has been involved with the Grovedale Figure Skating Club for 12 years, including five as President. She volunteers at the Art Gallery of Grande Prairie. She with her family supports the Sherman Kakwa Trail Society, helping to clear historic trails on horse back. Stefanie

teaches yoga at Rooted Heart Yoga Studio and Northwestern Polytechnic. As an artist, she was honoured to exhibit her work through the TREX program at the Grande Prairie Art Gallery.

### **Education, career and/or experience**

For the past 12 years, Stefanie has served as a School Board Trustee for Ward 7, providing a steady and informed voice at the board table. She has chaired several committees, including Student Matters, Policy Review, Audit, and Negotiations, and has represented the division on the provincial Student Health Task Force and the Council of the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta, working alongside trustees from across the province bringing valuable insight and experience. During her tenure, she has had the honour of opening two new elementary schools within Ward 7, supporting growth and quality education. Stefanie is deeply committed to the role of trustee as an active voice for students, families, and community.

### **Biography**

Born and raised in Grovedale, Stefanie Clarke has deep roots in the community and an unwavering commitment to serving students and families across the Peace Wapiti Public School Division. She and her husband are raising their two daughters on an acreage in Grovedale, where they enjoy the many benefits of country life. Actively involved in the community, Stefanie is also an aspiring artist who held her first official exhibition this past summer, and a certified yoga instructor. Both her creative work and wellness practice inspire her approach as trustee—bringing forward a balance of creativity, mindfulness, and well-being as she advocates for quality education, student wellness, and strong community connections

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