



## RESILIENT ROOTS, BOLD FUTURES: PARTNERING FOR INNOVATION IN RURAL SCHOOLS

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### Alberta Rural Education Symposium

#### Sunday, March 01, 2026

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Registration
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Opening Address
7:00 pm - 8:45 pm	<b>Evening with the Minister</b>
8:45 pm - 10:00 pm	Reception with MLAs - No Host Bar

#### Monday, March 02, 2026

7:45 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast and Registration
8:30 am - 8:45 am	Opening Address - Michael Borgfjord
8:45 am - 10:00 am	<b>Education that Matters for the Students We Teach</b> - Dr. Kevin Lamoureux
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Coffee and Networking
10:15 am - 11:15 am	<b>Mini-Panel: Truth and Reconciliation, Place Based Learning-sharing discussion</b> - Cal Johnson, Debbie Mineault, Mr. Swampy
11:15 am - 12:00 pm	<b>Setting the Stage: System Pressures, Shared Responsibility and Opportunities for Rural Schools</b> - Patrick Rivard
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	<b>Addressing Complex Needs and Challenges through Community Partnerships</b> - Patrick Rivard
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	<b>Table Talk</b>
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	<b>Addressing Complex Needs and Challenges through Community Partnerships cont'd</b> - Patrick Rivard
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm	<b>Division Sharing</b>
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	<b>Wrap-Up</b> - Patrick Rivard
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	<b>Entertainment</b>

#### Tuesday, March 03, 2026

7:45 am - 8:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Opening Comments - Michael Borgfjord
9:00 am - 10:45 am	<b>Panel: Dual Credits/Collegiate Programming</b> - Kevin Van Lagen, Brennan McDonald, and Justin Klaassen
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Coffee and Networking
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	<b>System Wellness from a Division Point of View with a Rural Context</b> - Kevin Langer
12:00 pm - 12:15 pm	Closing Address - Michael Borgfjord
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch