

New Principal Announcement - Parkland Composite High School, Edson

Immediate Release: April 27, 2021 - [Grande Yellowhead Public School Division](#) (GYPSD) is pleased to announce that Mr. Vince Dikaitis has accepted the principalship at Parkland Composite High School beginning the 2021/2022 school year.

Mr. Dikaitis is currently with Coast Mountains Board of Education School District #82, serving as interim Principal at Cassie Hill Elementary, with his permanent assignment as Principal of Hazelton Secondary School in Terrace, British Columbia, since August of 2018. He has worked at all levels of education in rural, remote, urban and Indigenous school setting within Alberta, the Northwest Territories and British Columbia, and understands the diverse cultural backgrounds and unique educational needs of both urban and rural learners.

His academic background includes a Master of Education in school administration from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, and a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Saskatchewan, Aurora College, Fort Smith. Mr. Dikaitis is starting a Doctorate of Philosophy with focus on reforming educational programming in rural and First Nations communities.

Over the past 20 years, he has served the needs of many adolescents and adults as a counselor, family facilitator, wilderness counselor, teacher at the junior and senior high levels, university instructor, Principal and Director of Education; all ensuring a holistic and culturally sensitive, student-centred approach throughout his career. Mr. Dikaitis is looking forward to his new position with GYPSD. "It is with excitement and anticipation that I look forward to taking this opportunity to be part of the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division and Principal of Parkland Composite High School."



[Parkland Composite High School](#) is located in Edson and has a current enrolment of 455 students. The school provides a diverse range of programs for students in Grades 9-12 and offers both English and French Immersion programming.