

New Staffing Announcement: Behavioural Support Specialist

Immediate Release: November 27, 2024 - [Grande Yellowhead Public School Division](#) (GYPSD) is pleased to announce that Erin Bezzola will be the Division's new Behavioural Support Specialist as of December 2, 2024.

Behaviour Support Specialists play a pivotal role in diverse settings, ranging from schools to clinical environments. Their expertise lies in implementing strategies to address challenging behaviours that impede student learning. They are trained mental health professionals who have expertise in evaluation, behaviour assessment, and development of behaviour modification programs for the best treatment to meet individual student's needs.

Erin earned a Bachelor of Community Rehabilitation and Disability Studies from the University of Calgary. She also holds diplomas in Graphic Design and Early Childhood Development. Erin is passionate about lifelong learning and staying informed with the latest research in her fields of interest.

In 2021, Erin joined GYPSD as the Lobstick Bringing Empowered Students Together (BEST) Success Coach, where she provided universal mental health support to all students and staff in the Lobstick region. The following year, she stepped into the role of BEST Program Manager, overseeing and supporting the BEST team across the Division. In the Fall of 2024, Erin accepted the position of Wellness Navigator Supervisor, leading the team in delivering universal mental health support to all GYPSD high schools.

Erin and her husband, Jon, moved to an acreage in Yellowhead County in 2021, where they welcomed their daughter in 2023. In her free time, Erin enjoys spending time with her family camping, fishing, competing in archery tournaments, and tackling the endless projects that come with acreage living.

Erin is thrilled to transition into her new role and looks forward to strengthening relationships with the staff, students, and families of GYPSD.

