## **Board Agenda Item**



Topic: Esports Provincials

Presenter: Dan Lower Meeting Date: June 11, 2025

## **Background**

The Lindsay Thurber Comprehensive High School Esports Team returned from the 2025 Alberta Esports Championships (AEC) in Calgary with a third place finish and an earned reputation for skill, sportsmanship, and stand-out spirit.

Held last month at Bow Valley College, the AEC is Alberta's premier in-person esports event and one of the largest live, in person, esports competitions in Canada. Organized by the Alberta Esports Association, this annual tournament attracts top teams from across the province - including past national and international champions - for a weekend of electrifying competition across a range of different games including *Rocket League*, *Super Smash Bros.*, and *Valorant*.

The LTCHS team - featuring student-athletes from both Lindsay Thurber and Gateway Christian School - battled it out in the high-octane *Rocket League* bracket. Teammates Daelyn Fraser-Moore, William Hetherington, Colten Kilpatrick, David MacPherson, and Ejhisen Tabilisma entered the weekend tournament ranked seventh, but quickly became a team to watch.

A defining moment came when the team chose to allow a rematch after their opponents experienced technical difficulties - a rematch that wasn't required by tournament rules, but one that showed character.

Congratulations to the team for not only earning third place, but for showing respect and sportsmanship throughout the tournament.

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School Authority Operations & Resources

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