



## **SCSBA Appreciation Award**

### **Doug Robertson**

Doug began his career as a teacher in Rabbit Lake, Saskatchewan, and quickly became the Vice-Principal of Mayfair School, before moving on to Spiritwood as both the Principal of a Kindergarten to 12 school and Technology Coordinator. Doug moved to the Lloydminster Catholic School Division in 1997 as the Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction. After many successes and so very many strong relationships had been built, Doug became our Director of Education on August 1, 2007. Doug stayed in this role until July 31, 2015, always demonstrating beautiful servant leadership and tremendous stewardship in Catholic education.

The SCSBA and the Catholic Directors' Group has benefited so greatly from his positive contributions! Doug has spent many long hours and much hard work creating the foundation of many of the school division's current successes and has always been quick to support other school divisions, St. Anthony's Parish and all faith leaders in our Catholic education and diocesan community.

Doug is very humble when others recognize his many accomplishments. He is quick to offer his gratitude to all those who came before him and surrounding him on a daily basis. Doug has taken great pride in building a transparent and structured Catholic school division that focuses on all the right things; serving God, family and the children in our care. They are always the first filters when Doug hears new ideas and makes decisions. He has always led by example in his parish as an acolyte, communion minister and lector, all the while being such a kind and proud husband and father to his beautiful family.

Doug cares deeply about the learning of students and staff, building structures that last and keeping the school division always moving proactively ahead of the change curve. Doug is as highly regarded provincially in both Alberta and Saskatchewan, as he is in LCSD, and has served as the president of LEADS and on countless committees at all levels. He has an amazing ability to provide a vision and allow those around

him incredible creative opportunities and somehow keep everything focused and tied together in a very positive team approach to improve the lives of children in Lloydminster.

Doug's dedication, caring nature and great enthusiasm are part of every interaction. His ever present smile, kindness, warmth, excitement and love have been on display every day as a faithful and dedicated leader in the Lloydminster Catholic School Division and the Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association.



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### **Rob Currie**

Rob Currie brings a wealth of education and community leadership experience to the education administration sector. Rob is currently the Assistant Deputy Minister for the Ministry of Education. During Rob's 31 years with the Regina Catholic School Division, he was the Director of Education for eight years. He has also served as a Supervisor of School Operations, school-based administrator and classroom teacher at inner city, suburban, rural and French immersion schools.

Utilizing broad experiences in strategic planning and implementing division and school improvement initiatives that create, grow and sustain effective student learning, Rob has dedicated his talents and energies to ensuring a quality education for children of all backgrounds. He focuses on building relationships with school communities and educational partners through enthusiasm, compassion, humour, varied corporate experiences and insights to enable effective student learning. In addition, in 2011-2012 Rob served as President of the League of Educational Administrators, Directors and Superintendents (LEADS), a provincial organization of senior educational administrators.

Rob recognizes the importance of contributing to his community. He is a Board Member of the One Life Makes a Difference charitable foundation, created to assist Regina inner-city students with educational opportunities. Rob is an ambassador for the Saskatchewan In Motion program and he was also the Vice President of Sport for the 2005 Canada Summer Games, held in Regina. He contributes to his community as a volunteer coach and executive member with the Regina Rowing Club and the Saskatchewan Rowing Association. Rob also continues to be involved with the St. Martin de Porres Parish, in Regina, in a number of volunteer capacities.

Rob received his Master of Education Degree in Educational Administration and Post-Graduate Diploma from the University of Regina. He received his Professional Teaching Certificate from the University of Victoria and his

Bachelor of Arts from the University of Regina. Rob was recognized in 2010 as a Champion College, University of Regina, Alumni of Distinction and was inducted into the Champion College Chapter of Alpha Sigma Nu.

Rob and his wife, Ingrid, have three adult children – Carmen, Anna and Rhys.



**Julian Paslawski**  
**Meritorious Service Award**

**Ken Loehndorf**

Ken was the Director of Education in Light of Christ Catholic school division from 1992-2007. Throughout those years, Ken displayed a commitment to a quality Catholic education for each and every student. The Catholic identity of our schools was a major tenet in his administrative style and made a substantial difference to the Catholicity of our school division.

Upon retirement in 2007, Ken was hired by the Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association as Executive Director, a position that he currently holds.

His dedication to Catholic school divisions in this province can be illustrated by his determination to ensure that all of us involved in Catholic education seek to appreciate more deeply the gift of Catholic education in Saskatchewan and encourage each one of us to work diligently to preserve and enhance this gift. He is a valuable and faith-filled employee of this organization.

Ken also has assumed a visible and active leadership role in his parish and community with his involvement in a variety of Catholic faith based activities. In his parish, he has served on the parish council as a member and its president. He is presently chairman of the Social Justice committee, a communion minister, and assists with teaching sacramental preparation. As well, Ken serves as the President of Catholic Family Services of the Battlefords. He has also served in the past as a Board of Director.

He also accompanied the Mission Team from John Paul II Collegiate on their trip to Peru helping the team to build stairs from a shanty town community uphill to a water well. Ken has an unwavering commitment to our faith and to our Catholic schools.

That he models faith in action there is no question.

So, when Ken calls and asks you to be a volunteer, or to join a new faith-filled endeavor, or to serve in some capacity either in the church, the community, or for Catholic education in the province, it is virtually impossible to say no.

For he is the first one in line to serve.

The Light of Christ certainly shines through him.