

2025 Trustee Election

Elk Island Catholic Schools



Raymond Cyre

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Camrose Subdivision 2

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My name is Raymond Cyre, and I have been married to Koreen for 38 years. We are residents of Camrose for 31 years and have 2 daughters, Alysha Blackburn and Kelsey Nisbet who both have been through the Elk Island Catholic school system in Camrose. Alysha has been a teacher at St Patrick's school in Camrose for 12 years and Kelsey is a Registered Vet Tech (RVT) residing in Sherwood Park. Both daughters are married and have given us the gift and joy of 3 grandchildren.

We are active parishioners of St Francis Xavier Church in Camrose for 31 years and have been involved in many ministries and parish committees. I am currently the Chairperson for the St Francis Xavier Finance Team since 2019 when our new church opened, a member of the Maintenance team since 2020, and have assisted the social committee for all fundraising-social events, such as BBQ-Bottle drives, Spring and Fall Social Dinners and Silent auction-raffles.

For 26 years, I have been a proud member of the Knights of Columbus council in Camrose serving previously as both Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight.

I am a member of the REAL Foundation (Religious Education Activities for Life) for 5 years, assisting the foundation in fundraising efforts to donate monies back to Elk Island Catholic Schools to supplement public funding to help students grow in Christian faith through religious education.

I have been a business owner for the last 21 years of an oilfield service company and have been employed in the oilfield service industry for 41 years. I understand fiscal responsibility and managing employees with respect while keeping family and community as an equal priority.

I can attest that my faith values are in sync with Catholic Education meaning the synergy between the Church's Christian teachings and the teachings of our Catholic education system need to be in sync. Our Church committees need to be involved in our schools' activities from kindergarten to grade 12, and our teachers need to be involved in our parish committees and church functions in order to have this synergy between the two institutions. I have witnessed this synergy firsthand in our Catholic schools in Camrose and our parish due to the involvement of our Parish Priest, the Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus regularly involved in our schools' activities.

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As a nominee for Elk Island Catholic School Trustee Sherwood Park Ward 1, Camrose Electoral Subdivision 2, I will be a positive role model in our district that advocates for publicly funded Catholic education. I will continue to interact within our parish and Catholic schools in Camrose to ensure a communication line is always open between EICS, Parish and Schools.