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Student representation on the Council of Commissioners

Rosemère, December 12, 2024 – The Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board (SWLSB) is pleased to welcome three student representatives to its Council. Maya Lavictoire (Lake of Two Mountains High School), Anthonia Oluwadarasimi Adedeji (Lake of Two Mountains High School), and Andressa Reginato (CDC Pont-Viau) were officially sworn in at the regular Council meeting held on December 11, 2024.

The student representatives were elected by their peers during the Central Students' Committee (CSC) meeting held on December 3, 2024. As active members of the CSC, they will bring forward the student perspective to Council discussions and decisions, ensuring that the voices of the SWLSB student body are heard.

This initiative stems from the [Student Representation Policy](#), adopted in 2021, which aims to introduce students to democratic processes, encourage student engagement, and promote leadership opportunities. Under this policy, student representatives may provide valuable input on matters discussed by the Council while gaining firsthand experience in governance.

The Central Students' Committee is chaired by Commissioner Benny Catania, with SEAC Parent Commissioner Elena Ferrato serving as Vice-Chair. Commissioners Heather Appleby, Noémia Onofre De Lima, also sit on the committee. The Chairperson, James Di Sano also attended the meeting.

"The presence of student representatives on the Council of Commissioners is a testament to our commitment to fostering student engagement and leadership," said James Di Sano, Chairperson of the SWLSB. "These three exceptional students will not only gain valuable experience but will also provide us with meaningful insights into the realities and priorities of our students. We look forward to working with Maya, Anthonia, and Andressa as Council continues to prioritize student success and well-being in all our decisions."

With a workforce of more than 2,000 employees, the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is the third-largest English school board of the Province of Québec and has a graduation rate of 87.4%. Its territory comprises the administrative regions of Laval, Laurentides and Lanaudière. The school board provides preschool, elementary, secondary and adult education, together with vocational training services to over 14,000 students in 36 schools and 4 centres. It also offers business training services.

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