# **FOUNDATIONAL STATEMENTS**

### **Preamble**

This Public Charter School is operated by the Gwynne Valley Rural Academy Society, a body 30,incorporated in Alberta under the Societies Act (March 21, 1996). The official name of the school is "Gwynne Valley Rural Academy" (GVRA). The GVRA Board of Directors governs the school in accordance with the Alberta Education Act and Societies Act, the Charter, the By-Laws of the Society and Board Policy.

Charters are granted and renewed for limited terms under Alberta Regulation 212/2002 (Charter Schools Regulation). Under Section 7.1 of that Regulation, GVRA's Charter was approved for a term of 5 years (until June 30, 2029) by Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Education.

### Vision

To develop hard-working, critical-thinking citizens with a versatile education and practical skills that equip them to pursue their choice of vocation, based on exposure to numerous career paths and to proficiently navigate a rapidly changing world.

# **Mission**

To incorporate Early Vocational Exposure into GVRA's curriculum as a fundamental expansion of all students' education and to proactively adapt the finer aspects of Early Vocational Exposure to the projected needs of future graduates.

# **Purpose**

The Gwynne Valley Rural Academy seeks to meet the unique needs of rural students, which is for education that validates their rural experiences, collaborates with local community members, businesses and organizations, and is accessible to every student. Early Vocational Exposure (EVE) education, is a Grades K-12 curriculum expansion that prioritizes the development of practical skills and career and vocational understandings throughout students' primary and secondary education. EVE will be tailored to assist all students learn more about careers and vocations that support rural sustainability.

Reference: Legal Reference: Education Act Preamble, Sections 3, 7, 18, 26, 27, 53, 67, 222

Gwynne Valley Rural Academy Charter