Strategic Planning 2010-2015
Partnership Agreement

School Board Mission:
- To organize, for the benefit of the persons who come under its jurisdiction, the educational services provided for by this Act and by the basic school regulations made by the Government.
- To promote and enhance the status of public education within its territory, to see to the quality of educational services and the success of students so that the population may attain a higher level of formal education and qualification, and to contribute, to the extent provided for by law, to the social, cultural and economic development of its region.

The Partnership Agreement is a tool for making the links between the partners more concrete and for ensuring that each party’s actions are consistent with orientations and with the attainment of set goals and measurable objectives
Involves:
- meetings, discussions, information sharing
- the two parties working together to attain common goals and objectives
- the recognition of local particularities with opportunities for personalization and adaption

Elements of the Partnership Agreement:
- Reference to the legal and regulatory framework
- Purpose of the agreement
- The school board’s context
- Measurable goals and objectives
- Means of contribution
- Means implemented
- Monitoring and accountability mechanisms
- The commitments of the parties
- Duration of the agreement
- Representatives
- Signatories
Strategic Plan:
For the exercise of its functions and powers, every school board shall adopt a strategic plan covering a period of up to five years stating:

1. Context in which it acts, particularly the needs of its schools and centres, and the characteristics and expectations of the community it serves;
2. Main challenges it faces, including success issues, in line with the national indicators established by the Minister;
3. Strategic directions and objectives in line with the directions and objectives of the strategic plan established by the Ministère de l’Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport as well as the other directions, goals or measurable objectives determined by the Minister;
4. The lines of intervention selected for the achievement of the objectives;
5. The results targeted over the period covered by the plan; and

Reporting:
- Every school board shall inform the population in its territory of the educational and cultural services provided by the school board and report on the level of quality of such services. It shall make public a service statement setting out its objectives with regard to the level and quality of the services it provides.
- Every school board shall prepare an annual report giving the population in the territory an account of the implementation of its strategic plan and the results obtained with regard to the goals and measurable objectives set out in the partnership agreement entered into with the Minister.
- The report shall also give an account to the Minister of the results obtained with regard to the directions and objectives of the strategic plan established by the Ministère de l’Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport.
- The school board shall send a copy of the report to the Minister and make the report public.
- Every school board must invite the public to an information meeting at least once a year. The meeting may be held concurrently with one of the meetings provided for in section 162.
- Public notice specifying the date, time and place of the meeting must be given not less than 15 days before it is held.
- During the meeting, the commissioners must present the content of the annual report provided for in section 220 and answer any questions concerning the report.