

Alison Bodner

Teacher-Librarian

Bairdmore School

Pembina Trails School Division



Alison Bodner started as a teacher with the Assiniboine South School Division in September of 1987 at Pacific Junction School. In September of 1991 until June of 1997, Alison worked half-time at Pacific Junction and half-time at Beaumont School. Alison began and completed her post-baccalaureate in library studies at the University of Manitoba while she was working at Pacific Junction School. From September 1997 until June of 2007, Alison was the teacher-librarian and Gifted Program teacher at Pacific Junction. She was then hired by Rob Gendron, principal of Bairdmore at that time, to be the teacher-librarian at Bairdmore from September of 2007 until present day.

During the 1996 school year, Alison participated in a teacher exchange to Geranium, Australia as a 0.5 time Teacher-Librarian and 0.5 time Gr.5-7 combined class.

Alison has consistently volunteered to work with the Manitoba School Library Association. Moreover, she was one of three teacher-librarians in Pembina Trails to be asked to share her knowledge about her leadership role as a teacher-librarian at the 2018 Interdivisional Learning Commons Day. Alison hosted an Ignite session for a teacher-librarians' Learning Day from Pembina Trails, River East Transcona, Louis Riel, and Winnipeg school divisions where she presented on the power of collaboration in the library learning commons.

Alison has had a variety of positions on the MSLA executive throughout numerous years. Some of the positions have included: President-Elect, President, Past President, Webmaster, and most recently, Membership.

Alison has also been a member of numerous Provincial Committees/Groups including:

Manitoba Young Readers' Choice Awards, I Love to Read Day events, and Canadian Images Canadienne.