



Board Meeting Agenda Package

June 16, 2021

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**NEW HORIZONS CHARTER SCHOOL SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
JUNE 16, 2021**

AGENDA

Vision: New Horizons School will enable gifted students to strive for excellence in a positive academic learning environment that fosters social and emotional support for each student.

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| 1. | Call to Order | D. Hanson | 7:00 pm |
| 2. | Statement of Territorial Acknowledgment | D. Hanson | 7:01 pm |



The Board of Directors of the New Horizons Charter School Society respectfully acknowledges that the land on which we meet is Treaty 6 territory, a traditional home, gathering place, and travelling route for diverse Indigenous Peoples, including Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Nakota, and Sioux, as well as the homeland of the Métis Nation. We recognize our responsibility as Treaty members and honour the heritage and gifts of the First Peoples of this land.

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| 3. | Adoption of Agenda | D. Hanson | 7:02 pm |
| 4. | Disclosure of Conflict of Interest | D. Hanson | 7:03 pm |
| 5. | Approval of Minutes | D. Hanson | 7:04 pm |
| | 5.1 May 19, 2021 – attachment | | |
| 6. | Administration Reports | | 7:05 pm |
| | 6.1 Principal Report | T. Zarowny | |
| | 6.2 Superintendent's Report – attachment | D. Lindquist | |
| 7. | Board Reports | | 7:25 pm |
| | 7.1 Board Chair's Report | D. Hanson | |
| | 7.2 Finance Committee Report | V. Tong | |
| | 7.3 Other Committee Reports | D. Hanson | |
| 8. | New Business | | 7:45 pm |

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| 8.1 | Quarterly Financial Report | V. Tong / P. Dundas | |
| 8.2 | Modular Approval | P. Dundas | |
| 8.3 | NHCSS SGM Date for Elections | D. Lindquist | |
| 8.4 | September 2021 Board Meeting Date | D. Lindquist | |
| 8.5 | Summer Housekeeping Retreat Date | D. Lindquist | |
| 8.6 | Revised Fee Schedule 2021-22 – attachment | D. Lindquist | |
| 8.7 | AEP Updated | D. Lindquist | |
| 8.8 | FANHS Report | T. Stefishen | |
| 8.9 | School Council Update | E. Macve | |
| 9. | Board Work Plan – attachment | D. Hanson | 8:35 pm |
| 10. | The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools | D. Hanson | 8:45 pm |
| 11. | Receipt of Reports | D. Hanson | 8:50 pm |
| 12. | Correspondence Sent | D. Hanson | 8:51 pm |
| 12.1 | Letter of Invitation to Minister Glubish | | |
| 12.2 | Letter of Invitation to MLA Walker | | |
| 13. | Correspondence Received | D. Hanson | 8:55 pm |
| 13.1 | EDC DM Flags at Half Mast for Children's Remains Found at Kamloops Residential School | | |
| 13.2 | EDC Minister Intervention Funding to Address Covid-19 Learning Disruptions | | |
| 13.3 | EDC Minister Child and Youth Well-Being Review | | |
| 13.4 | EDC Minister Budget Submission Extension | | |
| 13.5 | EDC DM Critical Worker Benefit Program Expansion | | |
| 13.6 | EDC DM Vaccinations | | |
| 13.7 | EDC DM Covid-19 Open for Summer - Graduation Ceremonies | | |
| 13.8 | TAAPCS PSBAA Research Report | | |
| 14. | In Camera | D. Hanson | 9:00 pm |
| 15. | New Business (cont'd.) | D. Hanson | 9:25 pm |
| 15.1 | Matters Arising from In Camera Meeting | | |
| 16. | Adjournment | D. Hanson | 9:30 pm |

Next Board Meeting – To Be Determined

NEW HORIZONS CHARTER SCHOOL SOCIETY
MINUTES

Type of Meeting: Board

Date: May 19, 2021

Initials: Chair _____

Approved: DRAFT

Recorded By: A. DeJong

Secretary _____

May 19, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present at Call to Order:

Dan Hanson
CHAIR

Jason Clarke
VICE CHAIR

Vincent Tong
BOARD SECRETARY AND
TREASURER

Shaun Guthrie
DIRECTOR

Michelle Smith
DIRECTOR

Administration Present:

Dean Lindquist
SUPERINTENDENT

Patti Dundas
SECRETARY-TREASURER

Ted Zarowny
PRINCIPAL

Members Present:

Sarah-Jane Lovgren

Elizabeth Macve

Mable Chan-Simons

Andi Kawaguchi

Julia Szweda

1. Call to Order

Chair Hanson called the virtual meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and made opening remarks.

2. Statement of Territorial Acknowledgment

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3. Adoption of Agenda

Item 8.3 – FANHS Report is being deferred to the June meeting.

Motion 2021-05-19-01

Moved that the agenda for the Board Meeting of May 19, 2021 be adopted as amended.

Moved: Director Guthrie

Seconded: Board Secretary and Treasurer Tong

Carried

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4. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest:

None

5. Approval of Minutes

5.1 Minutes of April 21, 2021

Motion 2021-05-19-02 Moved that the Board Meeting minutes of April 21, 2021 be approved as presented.

Moved: Vice Chair Clarke

Seconded: Director Guthrie

Carried

6. Administration Reports

6.1 Principal's Report

Principal Zarowny indicated that staff is looking forward to the return of students on May 25, 2021.

6.2 Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Lindquist spoke to the COVID-19 Re-entry Plan, a correction to a presentation at the previous In-Camera meeting, the TAAPCS Special General Meeting, transportation letter to parents, and the accountability pillar results, as included in the agenda package. Discussion followed.

Motion 2021-05-19-03 Moved that the Board amend motion 2021-04-21-09 to include the Secretary-Treasurer anniversary date of March 1.

Moved: Vice Chair Clarke

Seconded: Director Guthrie

Carried

7. Board Reports

7.1 Board Chair's Report

Chair Hanson indicated that he had a conversation with the Chief of Staff for the Education Minister regarding NHS' approach to reviewing the draft K-6

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curriculum. There is opportunity to pilot portions of the draft curriculum. Chair Hanson also conversed with MLA Glubish regarding space constraints and challenges that NHCSS is facing and invited him to a future meeting for additional discussion with the Board.

7.2 Other Committee Reports

Policy Guidelines and Bylaws Committee

No report.

Survey Committee

Director Burrows is unable to attend. Principal Zarowny indicated that the Board survey was sent to parents in early May with a May 8, 2021 completion deadline. The results are being tallied and will be brought to the Board Retreat for discussion.

Finance and Audit Committee

Committee Chair Tong indicated that the committee had met to review the 2021-22 budget, as included later in the agenda.

Public Relations

No report.

Personnel

No report.

8. New Business

8.1 2021-22 NHS Budget Approval

Board Secretary and Treasurer Tong, along with Secretary-Treasurer Dundas, summarized the 2021-22 NHS budget being presented for decision and approval. Lengthy discussion followed.

Vice Chair Clarke declared a potential conflict of interest regarding staffing discussion for the 2021-22 school year.

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Motion 2021-05-19-04 Moved that the Board approve the Budget Principles as noted in the memorandum from the Secretary-Treasurer, as included in the agenda package.

Moved: Vice Chair Clarke

Seconded: Director Guthrie

Carried

Motion 2021-05-19-05 Moved that the Board approve the 2021-22 NHS Budget as presented.

Moved: Vice Chair Clarke

Seconded: Director Smith

Carried

8.2 Annual Education Plan Approval

Principal Zarowny spoke to the Annual Education Plan as included with the Board meeting package and highlighted the additions and revisions since the Board last reviewed the document. Discussion followed.

Motion 2021-05-19-06 Moved that the Board approve the Annual Education Plan as presented (with noted revisions).

Moved: Vice Chair Clarke

Seconded: Director Smith

Carried

8.3 FANHS Report

Deferred to the June meeting.

8.4 School Council Update

School Council Chair Elizabeth Macve provided an update to Board regarding the resolutions included at the ASCA Annual General Meeting.

9. Board Work Plan

The Board reviewed the Work Plan for 2020-21, as included the agenda package.

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10. The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools (TAAPCS)

10.1 TAAPCS Spring General Meeting – May 8, 2021 Report

Chair Hanson provided a brief summary of the May 8, 2021 TAAPCS Spring General Meeting. Superintendent Lindquist, Secretary-Treasurer Dundas, Director Smith and Chair Hanson attended.

10.2 TAAPCS Governance Development Survey

Chair Hanson spoke to the TAAPCS Governance Development Survey, as included in the agenda package. Board members were asked for feedback on which of the options are of the highest priority. The following were identified:

- Advocacy with Political Representatives
- Chief Executive / Educational Officer Performance Reviews

Chair Hanson also shared a letter from TAAPCS to the Education Minister regarding the pilot of the draft K-6 curriculum and discussion on responding to misinformed social media postings.

11. Receipt of Reports

Motion 2021-05-19-07

Moved that all reports be received as presented during the meeting.

Moved: Director Guthrie

Seconded: Vice Chair Clarke

Carried

12. Correspondence Sent

13. Correspondence Received

- 13.1 TAAPCS to Minister and Deputy Minister Email – SLS Terms of Reference
- 13.2 AB Ed Email – Mental Health Week
- 13.3 Update on COVID-19
- 13.4 Minister of Education Email – Vaccines for Teachers and Support Staff
- 13.5 Minister of Education Email – Budget 2021 Commitment Letter
- 13.6 Minister of Education Email – Bill 55: The College of Alberta School Superintendents Act

Chair Hanson invited guest attendees to make comments or ask questions. Brief discussion followed.

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14. Motion to Move In Camera

Motion 2021-05-19-08 Moved that the meeting move in camera at 9:31 p.m.

Moved: Director Guthrie

Seconded: Director Smith

Carried

Motion to Move Out of Camera:

Motion 2021-05-19-09 Moved that the meeting move out of camera at 9:35 p.m.

Moved: Vice Chair Clarke

Seconded: Director Guthrie

Carried

15. New Business (con't)

15.1 Matters Arising from In Camera Meeting

Motion 2021-05-19-10 Moved that the Board of Directors ratify the employment contract for the following:

- *Employee #0318*

Moved: Board Secretary and Treasurer Tong

Seconded: Director Smith

Carried

Motion 2021-05-19-11 Moved that the Board of Directors approve the requested leave of absence without pay for the following:

- *Employee #0313*

Moved: Vice Chair Clarke

Seconded: Board Secretary and Treasurer Tong

Carried

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Approved: DRAFT

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16. Adjournment

Chair Hanson adjourned the meeting at 9:38 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: June 16, 2021

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Dean Lindquist

Superintendent

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MEMORANDUM

Date: May 19, 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Dean Lindquist - Superintendent

Re: Superintendent's Report

COVID-19 Re-entry Plan Update

To date we have not received any pre-planning information regarding the government of Alberta's re-entry planning for the 2021-22 school year. However, it is imperative that we continue our planning in preparation for the new school year.

According to news reports all Albertans over 12 years of age will have access to their first vaccine by the start of summer. It is anticipated that many Albertans will have both vaccines sometime in the Fall. Even with vaccinations we know that the 5 to 11 year olds will not have been vaccinated and some 12 years of age and older may not have been vaccinated. There are other variables that we also may not know at this point including variant issues, parent expectations as well as municipal and provincial government requirements that may be announced in the future.

We are currently planning the following options for next year:

1. Maintain the current re-entry plan that we have in place due to provincial requirements:
 1. Access to the school is limited to staff and students
 2. All physical distancing remains - multiple entry points to the school, hallway physical distancing, playground etc
 3. In-class learning with no at-home learning program except for support of students who are isolating
 4. Masks for grade 4 through 9 and staff when not at their desks or outside
 5. Sanitizing requirements continue
 6. Desk shields in place in all classrooms where desks are set up in pods
 7. Non-cohort grade groupings for jr. high options will be offered (masks required when not physical distancing or at desks)
 8. Jr. High students will move to their subject area classrooms rather than the teacher moving to the student classroom
 9. Playground will not be organized into cohorts for grades 4 – 9 students
2. Modified re-entry plan – with most 12 years of age and older students and staff vaccinated:
 1. Student entry and exit through assigned doors
 2. Parents, wearing masks, are permitted to enter the school

3. In-class learning with no at-home learning program except for support of students who are isolating
 4. Masks for grade 4 through 9 and staff when not at their desks or outside
 5. Physical distancing for non-cohort activities
 6. Sanitizing requirements continue
 7. Desk shields in place for classrooms where desks are set up in pods
 8. Non-cohort grade groupings for jr. high options will be offered (masks required when not physical distancing or at desks)
 9. Jr. High students will move to their subject area classrooms rather than the teacher moving to the student classroom
 10. Playground will not be organized into cohorts for grades 4 – 9 students
 11. Gym will be open for classes
 12. School clubs and extra-curricular will be principal decision, but are permitted
3. If the government indicates a new re-entry process administration will work on this over the summer.

Note: We will also have to develop a communications plan for whichever option we use. Last year we hosted division-level Zoom meetings with parents at the end of June and mid-August. It is suggested that we set up meetings similar to these and hold them in mid-August.

It is recommended that the Board provide their feedback as to current planning. A more detailed plan, organized like the 2020-21 re-entry plan will be completed once more government direction is provided.

These options, as currently listed, can be easily changed to reflect any re-entry requirements established by the government.

Board of Directors Governance Orientation Session

Suzuki Charter School Society organized and held a Directors Governance Orientation session on June 8. A number of directors and administration attended the event.

Alberta Education K-3 Reading Screening Tools Update

An email was received from the EDC Minister announcing intervention funding to support grade 1 – 3 students whose learning was impacted by COVID-19. Principal Zarowny is reviewing the details and the requirements regarding testing and accessing funding.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board receive this report as information.



Dean Lindquist



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MEMORANDUM

June 16, 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Patti Dundas – Secretary Treasurer

Subject: Quarterly Financial Report

Background:

The Quarterly Financial Report for the period ended May 31, 2021 will be presented as information to the Board of Directors at the meeting.

In keeping with Board Resolution 2017-11-22-05, the Audit Committee reviewed the Quarterly Financial Report prior to its presentation to the Board of Directors. Audit Committee Chair Tong will present the Report to the Board; he and Secretary Treasurer Dundas will be prepared to speak to it and to respond to questions that Directors may have.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Quarterly Financial Report for the period ended May 31, 2020 be received as information.

Patti Dundas – Secretary Treasurer



Patti Dundas

Secretary-Treasurer

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MEMORANDUM

June 16, 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Patti Dundas – Secretary-Treasurer

Subject: Modular Classroom Approval

Background:

On October 27, 2020, we sent in a request to Alberta Infrastructure for two new modular classrooms to assist us with our growing population. On May 21, 2021, we were advised by email that our request had been accepted.

At that time, we noted that we needed to access a prep sheet scope of work and pre-tender estimate on the government website and return them to Alberta Infrastructure as soon as possible. Failure to submit the prep sheet could impact the funding availability for the project.

I contacted Chris Woollard from ONPA (Start Architecture) and he submitted the required documents to Alberta Education on June 2, 2021.

On June 3, 2021 we received communication from Alberta Infrastructure that the Prep Sheet scope of work and pre-tender estimate for the New Horizons Charter School Modular Addition project had been accepted and we could proceed to prepare pre-tender documents.

We also contacted EICS and they came to the school May 28, 2021 to look at the site for the new modular classrooms. In addition, Marc Labonte from ECDT was informed of the new project.

There are several pieces of information to gather before tendering the project and I will be working with Chris Woollard to ensure we are able to tender as soon as possible.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board receive this for information.

Patti Dundas – Secretary-Treasurer

Attachment

AR115594

May 21, 2021

Mrs. Patricia Dundas
Secretary-Treasurer
New Horizons Charter School Society
1000 Strathcona Drive
Sherwood Park, Alberta T8A 3R6

Sent via email: pdundas@newhorizons.ca

Dear Mrs. Dundas:

Education has recently reviewed your school jurisdiction's submission under Alberta Education's 2021/22 Modular Classroom Program. I am pleased to inform you that the following modular classroom request has been approved for your school jurisdiction:

- 2 modular classrooms for New Horizons School

Approval of this request was based on your school jurisdiction's identification of an urgent need regarding student accommodation for the coming year. Please be advised that if the new and relocated modular classroom projects are not complete by the end of the 2021/22 school year, the approval for the units affected may be impacted.

Your school jurisdiction will receive the fully funded modular classrooms, and the province will pay for 100 per cent of the reasonable costs to deliver and set up each classroom. The construction of any link, if required, will be the responsibility of your school jurisdiction.

Prior to the commencement of any tendering or use of your own forces, it is required that each project's prep sheets be submitted as soon as possible to Infras.MCP@gov.ab.ca.

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Please advise your school jurisdiction staff to access the necessary prep sheets at: www.alberta.ca/planning-and-building-schools.aspx. Failure to submit a prep sheet may impact the funding availability for this project. As we recognize this year's project approvals are coming later than in previous years, Alberta Infrastructure has pre-ordered a number of modular units to expedite the production of new units to help mitigate potential production delays.

Upon receipt of the signed construction contract and approval of a Payment Request Form, your school jurisdiction will receive 80 per cent of the total funding for your modular classroom projects. Once your Statement of Final Costs has been submitted, the provincial portion of the actual expenditures up to the remaining 20 per cent will be forwarded to your school jurisdiction. The Statement of Final Costs must be submitted by the end of the 2021/22 school year, in order to ensure final payment is available and to ensure your jurisdiction remains eligible for future modular requests. The Payment Request Form can be obtained online at: www.alberta.ca/planning-and-building-schools.aspx/

School jurisdictions are reminded that they have an obligation to maintain and insure all approved modular classrooms.

Should your school jurisdiction staff have any questions regarding this approval or the approval process, please contact your Capital Planning Manager.

For any questions regarding the procurement, transportation or set-up of the approved projects, please email Infras.MCP@gov.ab.ca or contact Bibi Kersten, Specials Projects Engineer, Learning Facilities, at 587-873-4514. For toll free access, please dial 310-0000 first.

Sincerely,

Glen Gamble for

Erin Owens, B.Sc., B.Ed.
Executive Director
Capital Planning

cc: Vince Farmer
Executive Director, Learning Facilities, Infrastructure



Dean Lindquist

Superintendent

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 16, 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Dean Lindquist - Superintendent

Re: Selection of Date for Society SGM and Election

Background:

The New Horizons Charter School Society holds a Special General Meeting for the purpose of election of Directors prior to October 10 of each school year. Bylaws state that the Secretary of the Society delivers a notice of the SGM Meeting to each Member at least 21 days before the SGM. The date of the SGM in 2020 was Wednesday, October 7. A recommended date for the SGM is Wednesday, October 6, 2021, as elections must be held on or before October 10.

If this date is selected, notice of the SGM will be sent out on or before September 15, 2021

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board select 7:00 p.m., October 6, 2021 as the date and time for the SGM.

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Dean Lindquist



Dean Lindquist

Superintendent

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 16, 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Dean Lindquist - Superintendent

Re: Selection of Date for September Board Meeting

Background:

The Board will need to select a date for the September Board Meeting. The date recommended for the meeting is Wednesday, September 22, 2021.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board set the September Board Meeting date as Wednesday, September 22, 2021.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 16, 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Dean Lindquist - Superintendent

Re: Selection of Date for Board Summer Retreat

Background:

The Board holds two retreats annually with one in the spring and one in the summer/fall. The summer retreat last year was held on August 15, 2020. It is recommended that the retreat be held on Saturday, August 21, 2021. The agenda will be developed and sent out to the Board prior to the end of July.

It is also recommended that the Retreat be scheduled to be in-person and held at the school. The room used can be organized to provide for physical distancing.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board approve Saturday, August 21, 2021 for the board retreat.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 16, 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Dean Lindquist - Superintendent

Re: 2021-22 School Fees Approval

Background:

School Fees are listed in the chart below. Many fees are too difficult to determine as up to date costing can not be done due to Covid-19 closures. If there are increases, we will bring the individual items for board approval.

New Horizons School Fees 2021-2022	
Required Fees	
Lunch Supervision Grade 1-9 (One Child)	\$95.00
Lunch Supervision Grade 1-9 (for each additional child)	\$30.00
Lunch Supervision Grade 1-9 Kindergarten)	\$50.00
Technology Fee Grades 3-9	\$50.00
Technology Fee Grades 1-2	\$25.00
Technology Fee Kindergarten	N/A
Field Trip Kindergarten	\$65.00
Field Trip Grade 1	\$65.00
Field Trip Grade 2	\$65.00
Field Trip Grade 3	\$65.00
Field Trip Grade 4	\$65.00
Field Trip Grade 5	\$65.00

Field Trip Grade 6	\$65.00
Field Trip Grade 7	\$65.00
Field Trip Grade 8	\$65.00
Field Trip Grade 9	\$65.00
<i>Other field trip fees may be applied as the year progresses to take advantage of unforeseen opportunities.</i>	
Transportation Fees	
Students who reside greater than 2.39 km from	\$100.00
Students who reside less than 2.40 km from NHS	\$325.00
Students who do not reside within the boundaries of EIPS (but use EIPS Transportation from a stop within boundaries)	\$875.00
Kindergarten fees are 1/2 of the applicable fee.	
Optional Fees	
Junior High Optional Course Fees	
Active Community Living (ACL)	\$200.00
Outdoor Pursuits	\$20.00
Art	\$25.00
Science Challenge	\$10.00
Forensics	\$20.00
Drama	\$20.00
Band	\$60.00
Esthetics & Beauty	\$60.00
Choral (transportation)	\$60.00
Broadcasting/Newspaper	\$20.00
Foods	\$40.00
Food Science	\$20.00
Special FX	\$15.00

Extracurricular Fees	
Jr. Basketball Boys/Girls	\$50.00
Jr. BBall Uniform Purchase	\$30.00
Jr. Volleyball Boys/Girls	\$50.00
Jr. VBall Uniform Purchase	\$20.00
Jr. Badminton Boys/Girls	\$10.00
Jr. Badminton Team Shirt Purchase	\$20.00
Grade 5/6 VBall	\$5.00
Grade 5/6 BBall	\$5.00
Grade 5/6 Team Shirt Purchase	\$20.00
Music Festival Fee and Shirt	\$30.00
Reach	\$25.00
<i>Other extracurricular fees may arise during the school year.</i>	
Other Optional Fees	
Yearbook	\$30.00
Kanga Pouch Replacement	\$5.50
Agenda Replacement	\$10.00
Grade 4-9 Ski Trip	TBA
<i>Other optional fees may arise during the school year.</i>	

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board approve the 2021-22 school fees schedule as presented.

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Dean Lindquist



Dean Lindquist

Superintendent

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 16, 2021

To: Board of Directors

From: Dean Lindquist - Superintendent

Re: AEP Update

Background:

At the May 2021 Board of Directors Meeting, Directors approved the 2021-22 AEP. Shortly after the board meeting, Alberta Education advised us that we were approved to receive two modular classrooms. This announcement affects one part of the Trends and Issues section where the issue of space is addressed. As such, the AEP is being brought back to the board to make Directors aware of the changes made to address the announcement that we will receive the new modular classrooms.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Board approve the changes made to the Trends and Issues section of the AEP as presented..

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Dean Lindquist



Board of Directors – Work Plan for 2020-21

September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adopt Board Work Plan for 2020-21 Set date for October Board meeting Receive report on provincial achievement test results (closed meeting) Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Board Organizational Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct Special General Meeting; hold Board elections Elect Board executive officers (must be within one week of SGM) Select members for Board standing committees Set dates for Board meetings (motion required) Notify Service Alberta of change in executive officers Identify Board signing authorities Sign Board Member Code of Conduct – Policy #101 Receive Accountability Pillar Results Report for October 2020 Attend TAAPCS Annual General Meeting Receive enrolment report for September 30, 2020 Conduct initial orientation session for new Board members Submit request to Alberta Education for modular classrooms Set date for NHCS Society Annual General Meeting Create Task Force to investigate establishment of New Horizons High School Program (as per Education Plan) Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct AGM of NHCS Society Approve final Three-Year Education Plan 2020-2021 to 2022-23 Approve revised budget for 2020-21 Approve Annual Education Results Report 2019-20 Approve Audited Financial Statement Year Ending Aug 31/20 Receive Report #1 from School Council Determine priorities, possible date for Stakeholder Forum Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set date for March Board Planning Retreat Receive Counsellor's Report for 2019-20 School Year Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive Quarterly Financial Report for Sep - Nov 2020 Review Policy 210 and associated Student Code of Conduct Approve school calendar for 2021-22 in principle Stakeholder Forum – Gather input on possible Education Plan priorities Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

Board Annual Work Plan – Approved September 23, 2020

February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide final approval of school calendar for 2021-22 Prepare breakfast for school staff Receive mid-year progress report on Three-Year Education Plan 2020-23 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Retreat – Identify priorities for upcoming Education Plan Approve Three-Year Capital Plan for 2021-22 to 2023-24 Administer Board-developed Stakeholder Survey Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide provisional approval to Education Plan 2020-21 to 2022-23 Receive Quarterly Financial Report for Dec 2020 – Feb 2021 Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend TAAPCS Spring General Meeting Approve Budget for 2021-22 Receive Accountability Pillar Results Report for May 2021 Receive Board-developed stakeholder survey results Consider salary adjustment for support staff, senior administration Receive report from FANHS Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assess Board Work Plan progress for 2020-21 Receive Quarterly Financial Report for Mar – May 2021 Schedule SGM of NHCS Society (requires 21 days’ notice; must be on or before Oct 10) Schedule September 2021 Board meeting Set date for Summer Board Housekeeping Retreat Receive Report #2 from School Council Re-entry Plan Update 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider proposals for new or amended Board policies Receive recommendations from Board committees 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Annually	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negotiate collective agreement with ATA (as needed) 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
As Needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> County Council MLAs 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>



Dan Hanson

Board Chair

Phone: 780-416-2353

Email: dhanson@newhorizons.ca

June 1, 2021

Minister Nate Glubish
Athabasca Centre, #105
80 Chippewa Rd
Sherwood Park, Alberta
T8A 4W6

Dear Minister Glubish:

On behalf of the Board of Directors we would like to extend our appreciation and thanks to you and the government of Alberta for the announcement that we will be receiving two new modular classrooms during the 2021-22 school year. The Board appreciates the work that you do to support our students and school as we deliver excellence in education to our gifted students.

I am also writing to you on behalf of the Board of Directors of New Horizons School to invite you to meet with our Board. Our Board would welcome an evening meeting with you and MLA Walker at the earliest date convenient to the two of you via Zoom.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss with you the current successes, trends, and challenges of New Horizons Charter School and for you to share how New Horizons Charter School and Board can support you in your role as Minister and MLA for Strathcona-Sherwood Park in advocating on our behalf with your colleagues and Minister LaGrange. Some of the items we would like to discuss with you include; the high academic success of our students, the strong parental support our school receives, the outcomes of engagement we have done with our parent community, our growing enrollment, and most critical, the financial implications of the current funding framework for public schools.

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Our Board appreciates your past and current support of the efforts of our school to provide excellence in opportunities and learning for gifted students in a congregated setting. We believe

this meeting will provide you with the opportunity to learn more about our successes and challenges and how we can further collaborate to the benefit of our students and community.

Our Superintendent's Office will be in contact with your office to determine availability and timing of the meeting.

Sincerely,

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Dan Hanson, Board Chair
New Horizons Charter School

enclosure: New Horizon's 2021-22 Education Plan



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Dan Hanson, Board Chair
New Horizons Charter School

enclosure: New Horizon's 2021-22 Education Plan



Dean Lindquist <dlindquist@newhorizons.ca>

In Memory of the children whose remains were found at the Kamloops Residential School / En mémoire des enfants dont les restes ont été retrouvés au pensionnat de Kamloops.

1 message

EDC Deputy Minister <EducationDeputyMinister@gov.ab.ca>

Mon, May 31, 2021 at 9:49 AM

To: Superintendents of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Boards

Executive directors of Stakeholder Associations

Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association (ACSTA)

Alberta Educational Facilities Administrators Association (AEFAA)

Alberta Homeschooling Association (AHA)

Alberta Home Education Association (AHEA)

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Fédération des parents francophones de l'Alberta (FPFA)

Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA)

The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools (TAAPCS)

Subject: In Memory of the children whose remains were found at the Kamloops Residential School

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Dear Colleagues:

Earlier today, the Government of Alberta advised that flags at the Alberta Legislature and McDougall Centre were being lowered to half-mast in memory of the 215 children whose remains were discovered at the Kamloops Residential School. Schools in Alberta may also lower flags to half mast in recognition.

I again want to thank you for your hard work, dedication and flexibility in supporting our schools and school communities.

Regards,

Andre Tremblay

Deputy Minister of Education

cc: Communications Contacts at School Divisions

À l'attention de : Directions générales des écoles publiques, séparées, francophones et à charte

Directeurs exécutifs des associations des parties prenantes

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The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools (TAAPCS)

Objet : En mémoire des enfants dont les restes ont été retrouvés au pensionnat de Kamloops.

Chères et chers collègues :

Plus tôt aujourd'hui, le gouvernement de l'Alberta a fait savoir que les drapeaux de l'Assemblée législative de l'Alberta et du Centre McDougall étaient mis en berne à la mémoire des 215 enfants dont les restes ont été découverts au pensionnat (à l'école résidentielle) de Kamloops. Les écoles de l'Alberta peuvent également mettre les drapeaux en berne en guise de reconnaissance.

Je tiens encore une fois à vous remercier pour votre travail acharné, votre dévouement et votre souplesse dans le soutien de nos écoles et de nos communautés scolaires.

Cordialement,

Andre Tremblay

Sous-ministre de l'Éducation

cc: Personnes-ressources en matière de communications dans les divisions scolaires

Classification: Protected A



Dean Lindquist <dlindquist@newhorizons.ca>

New Funding for Targeted Interventions to Address COVID-19 Learning Disruptions1 message

EDC Minister <Education.Minister@gov.ab.ca>

Fri, May 28, 2021 at 11:32 AM

**To: Board Chairs of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities
Accredited Funded Independent (Private) School Authorities
Presidents of Stakeholder Associations**

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TAAPCS (The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools)

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Dear colleagues:

As you know, the COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on Alberta families, students and education staff. I recognize that classroom disruptions and shifts to at-home delivery have made the past 14

months exceptionally challenging. I cannot thank you enough for your tireless work to support school communities and student learning during this difficult time.

As announced by Premier Kenney and myself, Alberta's government is committing up to \$45 million in new funding for school authorities to jump-start targeted programming this fall to support students in Grades 1 to 3 in the 2021/22 school year who are experiencing difficulties as a result of COVID-19-related learning disruptions.

Funding will be available for all school authorities to offer small group intensive literacy and numeracy interventions for up to 16 weeks for Grade 1 to 3 students who are assessed as needing additional help. We are focusing this support on younger students because we know the long-term impacts of learning disruptions are particularly significant for this group. School authorities will have flexibility to design programming to best meet local needs and will also be required to report on the results achieved through this programming. This includes pre- and post-assessments of students to measure gains in literacy and numeracy achievements

Funding will be made available through an application process to my department that identifies the number of eligible students based on teacher assessment, and it will be allocated on a per student basis. Deputy Minister Tremblay will provide additional information on this new support program, including assessment details and reporting requirements in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

Adriana LaGrange

Minister of Education

cc: Superintendents of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities
Executive Directors of Stakeholder Associations
Secretary-Treasurers of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities
Communications Contacts at School Divisions

Objet : Nouveau financement pour les interventions ciblées visant à remédier aux perturbations d'apprentissage liées à la COVID-19

Chères et chers collègues :

Comme vous le savez, la pandémie de COVID-19 a eu des répercussions considérables sur les familles, les élèves et le personnel scolaire de l'Alberta. Je reconnais que les interruptions touchant l'enseignement en classe et le passage à l'apprentissage à la maison ont pu rendre les 14 derniers mois exceptionnellement difficiles. Je ne saurais trop vous remercier de votre travail inlassable pour soutenir les communautés scolaires et l'apprentissage des élèves pendant cette période difficile.

Tel que nous l'avons annoncé, le premier ministre Kenney et moi, le gouvernement de l'Alberta s'engage à verser jusqu'à 45 millions de dollars en nouveaux fonds aux autorités scolaires pour qu'elles puissent lancer des programmes ciblés cet automne pendant l'année scolaire 2021-2022, afin de soutenir les élèves de la première à la troisième année qui éprouvent des difficultés en raison des perturbations de l'apprentissage liées à la COVID-19.

Des fonds seront mis à la disposition de toutes les autorités scolaires pour offrir des interventions intensives en littératie et en numératie en petits groupes pendant un maximum de 16 semaines aux élèves de la première à la troisième année qui auront été évalués comme ayant besoin d'une aide supplémentaire. Nous dirigeons ce soutien vers les jeunes élèves car nous savons que les répercussions à long terme des perturbations de l'apprentissage sont particulièrement importantes pour ce groupe. Les autorités scolaires disposeront de la souplesse nécessaire pour concevoir des programmes répondant le mieux aux besoins locaux et devront également rendre compte des résultats obtenus grâce à ces programmes. Cela comprend des évaluations des élèves avant et après les interventions de sorte à mesurer les progrès dans leur rendement en matière de littératie et de numératie.

Le financement sera disponible par un processus de demande auprès de mon ministère identifiant le nombre d'élèves admissibles selon les évaluations faites par les enseignants, et il sera alloué en fonction du nombre d'élèves. Le sous-ministre Tremblay fournira, au cours des prochaines semaines, des renseignements supplémentaires sur ce nouveau programme de soutien, y compris les détails de l'évaluation et les exigences en matière de remise des rapports.

Cordialement,

Adriana LaGrange

Ministre de l'Éducation

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Dean Lindquist <dlindquist@newhorizons.ca>

Child and Youth Well-being Review

1 message

EDC Minister <Education.Minister@gov.ab.ca>

Thu, May 27, 2021 at 12:42 PM

To: Board Chairs of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities

Independent (Private) School Authorities

Presidents of Stakeholder Associations

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Dear colleagues:

Today, Alberta's government announced the Child and Youth Well-being review. An expert panel, co-chaired by MLA Matt Jones and Minister of Children Services, Rebecca Schulz, will work to understand the psychological, social, educational and physical impacts of the pandemic on children and youth under the age of 19.

Preliminary research, including from the Hospital for Sick Kids, shows a majority of children and youth experienced harm to their mental health during the first wave of the pandemic. This impact is also reflected in the feedback that I've received from education partners, including my Minister's Youth Council, throughout this year.

Through engagement such as town halls and surveys, the panel will hear and learn from children and youth, parents, guardians and caregivers, researchers, educators, health care and mental health professionals, and other subject matter experts. The panel will then provide government with a summary of impacts in fall of 2021 and is comprised of the following members:

- Dr. Kelly Schwartz, Associate Professor, School and Applied Child Psychology, in the Werklund School of Education, University of Calgary.
- Dr. Marcie Perdue, Associate Superintendent of Student Services, Chinook's Edge School Division.
- Dr. Jennifer Turner, Superintendent of Schools, Fort McMurray Public School Division.
- Carole Carifelle-Brzezicki, AHS Director of Indigenous Health, North.
- Dana Fulwiler, Assistant Instructor in the Masters of Applied Positive Psychology program at the University of Pennsylvania and Sessional Instructor in the B.Ed program at the University of Calgary.
- Nancy Mannix, Chair of the Palix Foundation.

Albertans are invited to share their thoughts and ideas with the panel through a survey at alberta.ca/child-and-youth-well-being-review.aspx until July 31.

Sincerely,

Adriana LaGrange

Minister of Education

cc: Superintendents of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities
Executive Directors of Stakeholder Associations
Secretary-Treasurers of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities
Communications Contacts at School Divisions

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Budget Submission Extension

1 message

EDC Minister <Education.Minister@gov.ab.ca>

Tue, May 25, 2021 at 4:10 PM

**To: Chairs of Public, Separate and Francophone School Boards and Charter Schools
Presidents of Stakeholder Associations:**

ASBA (Alberta School Boards Association)

ASCA (Alberta School Councils' Association)

ASBOA (Association of School Business Officials of Alberta)

CASS (College of Alberta School Superintendents)

FCSFA (Fédération des conseils scolaires francophones de l'Alberta)

Colleagues:

I recently signed a ministerial order authorizing an extension to the deadline for school boards to submit their 2021/22 school year budgets to Education. The new deadline is June 18, 2021. This extension is for the 2021/22 budget submissions only.

The ongoing pandemic has created uncertainty within school boards, resulting in the need for an extension of the budget deadline. Should you complete your 2021/22 budgeting process in advance of the extended deadline, please submit your budget to the Financial Reporting and Accountability Branch.

Thank you for your contributions to the education of Alberta's students. Education values your support and input as we work together to help students meet their learning needs and prepare them for a bright future.

If you have any questions regarding the extension of the school authority budgets, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Adriana LaGrange

Minister

Attachment

cc: Superintendents of Public, Separate and Francophone School Boards and Charter Schools

6/7/2021

New Horizons School Mail - Budget Submission Extension

Secretary Treasurers, Separate and Francophone School Boards and Charter Schools

Executive Directors of Stakeholder Associations

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Critical Worker Benefit Program Expansion / Élargissement du programme de prestations pour travailleurs critiques

EDC Deputy Minister <EducationDeputyMinister@gov.ab.ca>

Fri, Jun 4, 2021 at 2:59 PM

To: Superintendents of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities

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Subject: Critical Worker Benefit Program Expansion

Dear colleagues:

The Critical Worker Benefit (CWB) provides a one-time payment of \$1,200 to eligible Albertans in recognition of their hard work to provide Albertans with the care and critical services they need. Payments for eligible education sector workers that were initially identified under this program were distributed prior to March 31, 2021.

Thank you for your help providing subsequent information on positions or individuals eligible for the program. I am pleased to advise that after reviewing these submissions, the CWB payment has been approved for additional occupations including school office clerical staff and additional positions that are entirely student focused. The following occupations will now be eligible for the benefit:

- Family Liaison Worker
- School Based Clerical Staff
- Speech Language Pathologists Assistants
- Sign Language Interpreter
- Youth Coordinator
- School Accounting Secretarial Administrator
- Career Centre Advisors
- Family Outreach workers
- Early Childhood Practitioners
- Behavioural Specialist.
- Lifeguard
- Nutrition program coordinator

Secretary-Treasurers will receive further details on their allocations, as applicable. Payments for these additional eligible education sector workers will be processed immediately and should be received by most school authorities by June 9.

Should you have any questions, please contact Christine Sewell, Executive Director, K-12 Fiscal Oversight via email at christine.sewell@gov.ab.ca.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the education of Alberta's students during this unprecedented school year. Your efforts in distributing this benefit to eligible recipients are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kindy Joseph

Acting Deputy Minister of Education

cc: Secretary-Treasurers of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities

À l'attention de : Directions générales des autorités des écoles publiques, séparées, francophones et à charte

Objet : Élargissement du programme de prestations pour travailleurs critiques

Chères et chers collègues :

La prestation pour travailleurs essentiels (PTE) offre un paiement unique de 1 200 \$ aux Albertains admissibles en reconnaissance de leur travail acharné pour fournir aux Albertains les soins et les services essentiels dont ils ont besoin. Les paiements pour les travailleurs admissibles du secteur de l'éducation qui ont été initialement identifiés dans le cadre de ce programme ont été distribués avant le 31 mars 2021.

Je vous remercie de votre aide pour fournir des renseignements ultérieurs sur les postes ou les personnes admissibles au programme qui pourraient avoir été oubliés ou qui auraient dû être inclus dans le programme initial. J'ai le plaisir de vous informer qu'après examen de ces informations, le paiement de la PTE a été approuvé pour 921 autres personnes admissibles.

Les secrétaires-trésoriers recevront de plus amples détails sur leur allocation, le cas échéant. Les paiements pour ces travailleurs admissibles supplémentaires du secteur de l'éducation seront

traités immédiatement et les autorités scolaires devraient les recevoir d'ici le 9 juin.

Si vous avez des questions, veuillez contacter Christine Sewell, directrice exécutive, K-12 Fiscal Oversight, par courriel à christine.sewell@gov.ab.ca.

Merci de votre engagement continu envers l'éducation des élèves de l'Alberta au cours de cette année scolaire sans précédent. Vos efforts pour distribuer cet avantage aux bénéficiaires admissibles sont grandement appréciés.

Cordialement,

Kindy Joseph

Sous-ministre de l'Éducation par intérim

c.c. : Secrétaires-trésoriers des autorités scolaires publiques, séparées, francophones et à charte

Classification: Protected A



Dean Lindquist <dlindquist@newhorizons.ca>

Vaccinations

1 message

EDC Deputy Minister <EducationDeputyMinister@gov.ab.ca>

Wed, May 26, 2021 at 4:52 PM

To: Superintendents of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities**First Nations Education Directors****Independent (Private) School Authorities****Early Childhood Services Operators****Executive Directors of Stakeholder Associations**

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Dear colleagues:

Alberta Education has received inquiries about vaccinations in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Vaccination is an effective means of protecting Albertans from COVID 19, and it is an important part of the overall pandemic response. Albertans are encouraged to get vaccinated for COVID-19.

It is important to note that the decision to be vaccinated is a personal choice, and the decision made by parents/guardians for their children is private. In accordance with Alberta's privacy legislation, the *Personal Information Protection Act* and the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, staff must respect the health privacy of students, including their vaccination status.

At this time, school administrators or staff should not inquire about or collect vaccination information from students. In the unlikely event this should change, Alberta Education will advise school authorities accordingly.

The health and safety of students and staff is our top priority. We continue to have robust health measures outlined in the [Guidance For School Re-Entry - Scenario 1](#), and we thank you for your continued diligence in implementing these measures.

If your school authority has questions regarding vaccination or requires other supports, I encourage you to contact Paul Lamoureux, Executive Director, Field Services, at paul.lamoureux@gov.ab.ca, 780 427 5378 and Garret Doll, Director, Central Services, at garret.doll@gov.ab.ca, 780-415-9310.

Thank you again for your hard work, dedication and flexibility in supporting our schools and school communities.

Sincerely,

Andre Tremblay

Deputy Minister of Education

cc : Board Chairs of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities

Presidents of Stakeholder Associations

Secretary Treasurers of Public, Separate, Francophone and Charter School Authorities

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Chères et chers collègues :

Alberta Education a reçu des demandes de renseignements sur les vaccinations dans le contexte de la pandémie de COVID-19.

La vaccination est un moyen efficace de protéger les Albertains contre la COVID-19 et elle constitue un élément important de la réponse globale à la pandémie. Les Albertains sont encouragés à se faire vacciner contre la COVID-19.

Il est important de noter que la décision de se faire vacciner est un choix personnel, et que la décision prise par les parents ou les tuteurs pour leurs enfants est privée. Conformément à la législation albertaine sur la protection de la vie privée, la *Personal Information Protection Act* et la *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, le personnel doit respecter la confidentialité de la santé des élèves, y compris leur état de vaccination.

Pour l'instant, ni le personnel scolaire ni la direction d'école ne doivent demander ou recueillir des renseignements sur la vaccination des élèves. Dans l'éventualité peu probable que cela change, Alberta Education informera les autorités scolaires en conséquence.

La santé et la sécurité des élèves et du personnel sont notre priorité absolue. Nous continuons à appliquer les mesures sanitaires rigoureuses décrites dans le document, disponible uniquement en anglais, [Guidance For School Re-entry - Scenario 1](#), et nous vous remercions de votre diligence continue à mettre en œuvre ces mesures.

Si votre autorité scolaire a des questions concernant la vaccination ou a besoin d'autres soutiens, je vous encourage à contacter Paul Lamoureux, directeur exécutif, Services externes, à paul.lamoureux@gov.ab.ca, 780-427-5378 et Garret Doll, directeur, Central Services, à garret.doll@gov.ab.ca, 780-415-9310.

Je vous remercie encore une fois pour votre travail acharné, votre dévouement et la souplesse dont vous faites preuve pour soutenir nos écoles et nos communautés scolaires.

Cordialement,

Andre Tremblay

Sous-ministre de l'Éducation

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Update COVID-19 Open for Summer Plan – Graduation Ceremonies / Cérémonies de remise de diplômes – Mise à jour : Relance des projets estivaux dans le contexte de la COVID-19

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EDC Deputy Minister <EducationDeputyMinister@gov.ab.ca>

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Le texte français suit le texte anglais. French text follows English text.

**To: Superintendents of Public, Separate, Francophone, Charter School Authorities
Independent (Private) School Authorities**

Subject: Update COVID-19 Open for Summer Plan – Graduation Ceremonies

Colleagues:

The health and safety of students and staff continues to be our top priority. Thank you for your continued diligence in implementing the health measures outlined in [Guidance for Schools \(K-12\) and School Buses – Scenario 1](#).

On May 26, the Government of Alberta announced [Alberta's Open for Summer Plan](#) that safely eases restrictions in three stages as vaccination targets are reached and hospitalizations decline. Alberta entered Stage 1 on June 1.

Stage 1 (Currently in Effect)

As outlined in [Alberta's Open for Summer Plan](#) for Stage 1, distancing and masking requirements remain in effect and indoor social gatherings are still not permitted. Outdoor social gatherings of up to 10 people are permitted. As well, outdoor physical, performance and recreation activities for up to 10 distanced people are now permitted.

Alberta Education recognizes that graduation ceremonies are an important milestone for students and their families and friends. A school may host a graduation ceremony on school property **without external in-person** attendees, during regular school hours while adhering to the current Alberta health measures. Please note the [Guidance for Schools \(K-12\) and School Buses – Scenario 1](#) contains a section entitled Ceremonies and Celebratory Events that provides guidance

for indoor graduation ceremonies. Attendance at in-school graduation ceremonies must continue to be limited to graduating students and school staff (e.g., no in-person audience allowed).

Outdoor [drive-in](#) ceremonies are currently permitted with precautions in place, including audiences for drive-in events being restricted to individuals watching from their vehicles.

Stage 2 (Future date)

As we move closer to Stage 2, there has been a great deal of interest in how the easing of restrictions could impact graduation ceremonies. For clarity purposes, the following guidance **will** apply during Stage 2:

- When the graduation ceremony is outdoors and has fixed seating, such as a grandstand, it **will be** limited to 1/3 seating capacity.
- When the graduation ceremony is taking place outside where there is no fixed seating, the organizers **will be** able to set up chairs/seating for up to 150 people with distancing restrictions in place.
- Indoor graduation ceremonies **will be** limited to 1/3 of the fire code occupancy and can only take place as a seated event. Masking and physical distancing between households is required.
 - No indoor social gatherings are permitted.
- If the event **will be** occurring in a school, with individuals outside of the grade 12 classroom cohort, it **will** need to take place outside of school hours and follow the applicable guidance. Once again, no indoor social gathering **will be** permitted to take place before, during or after the graduation ceremony.

Please note that during Stage 2, social distancing and masking requirements will remain in effect. As the stages unfold, please work with your Environmental Public Health Services contact to determine the approach that will best fit your needs while adhering to all public health restrictions.

If your school authority requires assistance, please contact Paul Lamoureux, Executive Director, Field Services, at paul.lamoureux@gov.ab.ca or 780-427-5378 and Garret Doll, Director, Central Services Branch, at garret.doll@gov.ab.ca or 780-415-9310.

Sincerely,

Kindy Joseph Acting Deputy Minister,
for Andre Tremblay
Deputy Minister of Education

cc: Paul Lamoureux; Garret Doll

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**Destinataires : Directions générales des autorités scolaires
publiques, séparées, francophones et à charte**

Autorités scolaires indépendantes (privées)

**Objet : Cérémonies de remise de diplômes – Mise à jour : Relance des projets estivaux
dans le contexte de la COVID-19**

Chères et chers collègues,

Nous accordons la plus haute priorité à la santé et la sécurité des élèves et du personnel scolaire. Nous vous remercions pour les efforts que vous avez déployés dans la mise en œuvre des mesures sanitaires présentées dans le document [Guidance for Schools \(K-12\) and School Buses – Scenario 1](#).

Le 26 mai, le gouvernement de l'Alberta a annoncé le Plan de réouverture de l'Alberta dans le document [Alberta's Open for Summer Plan](#). Ce plan décrit l'allègement des restrictions en trois étapes, puisque l'objectif de vaccination est en voie d'être atteint et que les cas d'hospitalisation sont en baisse. L'Alberta a lancé la Phase 1 le 1^{er} juin.

Phase 1 (en vigueur actuellement)

Comme mentionné dans le document [Alberta's Open for Summer Plan](#) se rapportant à la Phase 1, la distanciation et le port du masque sont toujours en vigueur, et les rassemblements publics en salle sont toujours interdits. Seuls les rassemblements publics en plein air jusqu'à concurrence de 10 personnes sont autorisés. Par ailleurs, les activités physiques et récréatives en plein air, de même que les spectacles sont désormais autorisés jusqu'à concurrence de 10 personnes.

Alberta Education reconnaît que la cérémonie de remise de diplômes constitue une étape importante pour les élèves, leurs familles et leurs amis. Une école pourra accueillir une cérémonie de remise de diplômes sur son terrain **sans qu'aucune personne externe n'y prenne part en présentiel**. La cérémonie devra avoir lieu pendant les heures scolaires normales et devra

respecter les mesures sanitaires de l'Alberta en vigueur. Veuillez noter que le document [Guidance for Schools \(K-12\) and School Buses – Scenario 1](#) comprend une section intitulée Ceremonies and Celebratory Events, qui donne des directives pour organiser des cérémonies de remise de diplôme en salles. La participation à ces cérémonies de remise de diplômes doit continuer à être limitée aux finissants et au personnel scolaire (c.-à-d. aucun public présent en personne).

Les cérémonies en plein air et en voiture (voir le document [drive-in](#)) sont actuellement autorisées quand elles sont accompagnées de mesures de précaution : le public doit comprendre uniquement les personnes qui assistent à ces cérémonies dans leurs voitures.

Phase 2 (Date à venir)

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À mesure que nous nous approchons de la Phase 2, de plus en plus de questions se posent quant à la façon dont l'allègement des restrictions pourrait affecter les cérémonies de remise de diplômes. Par souci de clarté, les directives suivantes **seront appliquées** pendant la Phase 2 :

- Si la cérémonie de remise de diplômes a lieu à l'extérieur et que les sièges sont fixes comme dans le cas d'une estrade, le nombre de participants devra se limiter **au tiers** de la capacité des sièges.
- Si la cérémonie de remise de diplômes a lieu à l'extérieur et que les sièges ne sont pas fixes, les organisateurs **pourront disposer** des sièges pour 150 personnes maximum et les mesures de distanciation devront être respectées.
- Les cérémonies de remise de diplômes en salles **seront limitées** à un tiers du taux d'occupation préconisé par le Code de prévention des incendies. Il ne pourra s'agir que d'un événement où on devra rester assis. Le port du masque et les mesures de distanciation entre les membres de différentes familles devront être respectés.
 - Aucun rassemblement public en salle ne sera autorisé.
- Si la cérémonie **a lieu** à l'école, en présence de personnes ne faisant pas partie du groupe d'élèves de la classe de 12^e année, celle-ci **devra avoir lieu** en dehors des horaires scolaires et devra respecter les directives en vigueur. Il est important de souligner qu'aucun rassemblement public ne sera autorisé avant, pendant ou après la cérémonie de remise de diplômes.

Veuillez noter que pendant la Phase 2, le port du masque et les mesures de distanciation demeureront en vigueur. Lors du déroulement des phases, veuillez collaborer avec votre personne-ressource des Services en santé publique environnementale pour déterminer la démarche qui répondra le mieux à vos besoins tout en respectant les mesures de santé publique.

Si votre autorité scolaire a besoin d'aide, veuillez contacter Paul Lamoureux, Directeur, Field Services, à paul.lamoureux@gov.ab.ca ou au 780-427-5378 ou contacter Garret Doll, Directeur, Central Services Branch, à garret.doll@gov.ab.ca ou au 780-415-9310.

Cordialement,

Kindy Joseph par intérim Sous-ministre de l'Éducation,
pour Andre Tremblay
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PSBAA "Research" report

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Below are links to the press release and the "research" report, following on the one released in September by the PSBAA and done by the same author.

<https://public-schools.ab.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/06-03-2021-MEDIA-RELEASE-PSBAA-K-12-education-funding-review-03June2021.pdf>

<https://public-schools.ab.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/A-Review-of-K-12-Education-Funding-in-Alberta.pdf>

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Media Release

PSBAA releases review of K-12 education funding in Alberta

June 3, 2021 (Edmonton, AB) ... The Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA) today released a comprehensive review of K-12 education funding in Alberta.

"This will be a useful reference document that examines the current environment of K-12 funding in Alberta and where we are heading," said Curtis Riep, PhD, the author of the study. "I think it could be helpful for a wide variety of individuals, from school administration, to trustees, to school families and anyone with an interest in school finance in Alberta."

He noted his report, *A Review of K-12 Education Funding in Alberta*, is evidence-based, using available data from the Alberta government's Education department. The review includes a history of K-12 education funding from 1994 to 2020, an analysis of education funding now – including the Weighted Moving Average funding formula, and some important conclusions and recommendations.

The conclusions and recommendations include:

1. *Funding for public education is fragmented*
2. *Cooperation and shared resources should be the goal, not competition between boards*
3. *Private school funding levels should be re-examined*
4. *Charter school redesignation*
5. *The financial health of school jurisdictions' operating reserves should be consistently monitored, assessed, and reported*
6. *Continued investment in program supports and services are key to care for the most vulnerable students*
7. *Further pre- and post-evaluation of Weighted Moving Average funding formula is required*

"This document provides added value for our member public school boards," said Cathy Hogg, PSBAA President. "The PSBAA is a key hub for collecting sound research that can help inform our decision-making as locally-elected school board trustees. We believe this document will be a valuable resource for our members, and we are pleased to make it available to them."

The report is posted on the PSBAA website at <https://public-schools.ab.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/A-Review-of-K-12-Education-Funding-in-Alberta.pdf>.

The Public School Boards' Association of Alberta is the only provincial association representing and advocating for Alberta's public school boards, and public school education in Alberta.

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