



Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education

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SCHOOL CLOSURE

École St. Thomas d'Aquin

At the January 30, 2018 Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education considered the school closure of École St. Thomas d'Aquin with the intention to move the French Immersion Program to St. John Paul II School beginning with the 2018-2019 school year.

The Board made the following motion(s):

- “THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education close École St. Thomas d'Aquin and move the French Immersion Program to St. John Paul II School beginning with the 2018-2019 school year”.

The Board further discussed the School Name, Grade Configuration and Attendance Areas & Boundaries and made the following motions:

- “THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education change the school name to École St. John Paul II School”.
- “THAT the programming for École St. John Paul II School be a dual-track French Immersion/English Program”.
- “THAT the grade configuration for École St. John Paul II School be K-6 for both the French Immersion Program and the English Program”.
- “THAT the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education direct Administration to engage in a public consultation process to review the attendance areas & boundaries proposal for École St. John Paul II School in order to solicit feedback on the proposal and that Administration bring back a summary of the feedback with a recommendation for the Board in time for the February 13, 2018 Board Meeting”.

The Board is committed to meeting the needs of all students in our Catholic Schools.

The Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education

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