

Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education

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Dear MHCBE staff and families:

I would like to take a moment to thank everyone for their patience and understanding during this difficult time, particularly since the announcement from the Government of Alberta on Saturday, regarding potential layoffs of staff.

After reviewing the impact of the 14% reduction in our budget, I am extremely pleased to share with you that we will be able to make these changes **without reducing staff**. As a school jurisdiction, we recognize the critical role that support staff play in the education of our students. We want you to know that we are committed to supporting all of our staff the best we can through these unprecedented times.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Board of Trustees and MHCBE Central Office staff for working hard to find a solution to this problem. It is my sincere hope that this news will bring you some degree of comfort in a time of great uncertainty.

Together, we will get through this.

Stay safe and God bless!

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