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Feb. 14, 2017

Important Changes to Student Population at Andrew Sibbald School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

After thorough review and feedback received from parents, students, staff and community members January 2016 to January 2017, we have decided to make the following changes to the student population at the schools:

- Grades 5-6 are added to current school population

This means the future student population at the school will include:

- Regular Program Home Area K-6

This decision was made to address the fact that the school is under capacity. The decision provides additional grades to strengthen the regular program in the community but the student population remains small. Enrolment will need to be monitored on an ongoing basis. More details of what we heard from the community and how this plan responds to that feedback is detailed in the attached [chart](#).

We believe this plan provides the best use of learning space for our students, schools and communities as a whole. It also balances our values and planning principles with what we heard from our students, staff, parents and community.

We know you may have questions about implementing this plan, and we are providing answers to the most frequently asked questions here.

Thank you to everyone who participated at in-person sessions, open houses and through online surveys throughout the engagement process. Your thoughtful contributions have made a meaningful difference in decision-making.

How will changes be phased in?

The change from K-4 to K-6 will occur over the next two years as follows:

School Year	Grades Offered
2017-2018	K-5
2018-2019	K-6

How will students get to school?

School walk zones and attendance areas can be found using the CBE's [Find a School](#) tool. Students designated to Andrew Sibbald School who live beyond the walk zone will continue to access yellow school bus transportation to the school. Visit [Busing & Transportation](#) for more information.

Can students who live in Lake Bonavista or Bonavista Downs continue to attend Nickle School?

Students currently in Grades 5 and 6 can remain at Nickle School.

In the 2017-18 school year, all K-5 regular program students living in Lake Bonavista and Bonavista Downs will be designated to Andrew Sibbald School, and in 2018-19 the school designation will be K-6.

Nickle School will not be able to accommodate out-of-boundary requests.

Will students need to register to stay at Andrew Sibbald School?

Students currently attending Andrew Sibbald School will have their enrolment automatically rolled over to the higher grades as they are added to the school.

Will teachers and other staff at the school be changing?

Movement of staff depends on student enrolment, requirements at the school as well as individual career choices.

What about bell times, school calendars, transfer of resources and fundraising dollars, and other decisions?

School administration will communicate with staff, students and parents on implementing processes that work best for the CBE and the school community. CBE Administrative Regulations and other requirements and efficiencies will also be considered in these decisions. Check your school website and newsletter regularly for updates.

What if I have more questions?

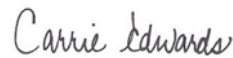
We have posted an [implementation FAQ](#) and other information on [our website](#). If you have a question that is not answered here or on our website, contact the school's principal. If you still have questions, please contact the Area V office at AreaV@cbe.ab.ca or 403-777-8780.

This is a time of excitement and, understandably, some apprehension as well. We look forward to working with staff, students and parents to help students make a smooth transition.

Sincerely,



Sydney Smith
Director, Area V



Carrie Edwards
Director, Planning and Transportation



Decision: Regular Program Home Area K-6

Grades 5-6 are added to the current school population

<p>Current:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programming: K-4 Enrolment: Home Area = 121 Other = 26 Total = 147 Available instructional space: 500 <p>Issue: Under capacity</p>	Key factors and what we heard	Response related to key factors and what we heard
	Keep students close to home	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintains regular program in the community K-12
	Minimizing the number of moves a student makes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keeps students at their current school
	Keeping groups of students together as they move schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintains the existing grouping of students at the school
	Preference to have regular program students at the school K-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expands to Grade 6, allowing for a larger population of students at the school
	Minimizing travel time to school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allows students to continue to walk to school
	Sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student population at the school is small; enrolment will need to be monitored on ongoing basis Allows for before and after school care