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Anglophone School District West

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

On October 19, 2023, at their public meeting, the District Education Council (DEC) voted in favour of conducting a sustainability study for the six elementary and middle schools in the Town of Oromocto as well as Burton Elementary School, under the process outlined in the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Provincial Policy 409: Multi-year Infrastructure Planning. This policy serves as a foundation for determining the sustainability of schools, considering many aspects, such as:

**Enrolment
Transportation
Economic Development**

**Health and Safety
Impact on Community
Impact on Other Schools**

**Quality of Education and Services
Finances**

On May 9, 2024, the DEC held the third public meeting in this process. At that meeting, the Council voted in favour of closing the seven schools being studied, after the completion of three new K-8 schools to be located within the Town of Oromocto. The schools studied and voted upon for closure, are as follows: **Assiniboine Avenue Elementary School, Burton Elementary School, Gesner Street Elementary School, Harold Peterson Middle School, Hubbard Elementary School, Ridgeview Middle School, and Summerhill Street Elementary School.**

The decision and our study report are being shared with the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development and senior staff within the department. In line with Policy 409, the Minister needs to approve the recommendation for the DEC prior to the District proceeding with this decision. The Minister and his staff will review the study information for procedural fairness and reach a final conclusion no sooner than 30 days and no later than 60 days from now. I will write to you again upon word from the Minister.

With this decision, the sustainability study of the six elementary and middle schools in the Town of Oromocto, as well as Burton Elementary school, is now complete. Should the Minister approve the recommendation of the DEC, we will keep you informed as the process unfolds over time.

I wish to thank you for your interest in this study and your continued commitment to your child's education.

Sincerely,

David McTimoney
Superintendent

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