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Anglophone School District West

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September 22, 2026

Dear Kingsclear Community School Families and Caregivers,

On September 17, 2026, the Anglophone West School District Education Council (ASD-W DEC) voted to begin a sustainability study of Kingsclear Community School. This study will follow the process outlined in the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (EECD) Provincial Policy 409: *Multi-Year School Infrastructure Planning*.

Policy 409 helps school districts review the long-term future of schools by looking at several factors, including:

- Student Enrolment
- Transportation
- Economic Development
- Quality of Education and Services
- Health and Safety
- Impact on the Community
- Impact on Other Schools
- Finances

A sustainability study of the school was previously initiated in January 2017. As a result of that study, which concluded in October 2018 after the final vote was deferred twice, Kingsclear Community School remained open and has continued to serve students and families in the community. A catchment area review for Kingsclear Community School was also conducted in 2023. This new study will give the DEC updated information and an opportunity to review the school's current situation as part of its long-term planning.

While current enrolment levels have led to the study being initiated, the purpose of the process is to look at the bigger picture. The DEC will consider a range of factors, including the learning environment for students, community connections, transportation, facility needs, and the long-term sustainability of the school. As of September 21, 2026, there are 48 students enrolled at Kingsclear Community School. The study will help the DEC better understand the needs of students, families, and the community as it plans for the future.

The sustainability study includes three public meetings. These meetings will give families, staff, community members, and other interested individuals an opportunity to learn more about the process and share their thoughts.

The first public meeting will be held on November 9, 2026. At this meeting, district staff will present information about Kingsclear Community School, including facts and data related to the factors listed above.

The second public meeting will be held on January 11, 2027. This meeting will give parents, guardians, community members, and other interested individuals an opportunity to share information and perspectives with the DEC. Information about how to register for a presentation will be provided after the first meeting.

The third public meeting will take place on February 25, 2027, as part of a public DEC meeting. At that time, the DEC will review all the information gathered during the study and vote on a recommendation. Under Policy 409, the recommendation may be one of the following:

1. Continue operating Kingsclear Community School as it is today.
2. Make repairs or improvements to Kingsclear Community School.
3. Recommend that students attend another school, with Kingsclear Community School closing.

If the DEC recommends repairs, improvements, or closure resulting in a change of where students attend school, the recommendation must be approved by the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development.

District staff will gather and organize information to be presented at the first meeting. The three meetings will be open to the public. Information about the study will also be shared publicly so that community members are aware of opportunities to participate.

Throughout the process, DEC members will carefully review the information collected, listen to community feedback, and discuss the findings of the study. The DEC will also visit Kingsclear Community School before completing its review.

Information related to the sustainability study, including meeting notices, presentations, reports, correspondence, and other documents, will be available on the district website at <https://asdw.nbed.ca>. Families and community members can find study information in the "What's Happening in ASD-W" section of the website.

Questions or comments about the sustainability study can be sent to asdw.info@nbed.nb.ca. We welcome respectful and constructive feedback throughout the process.

We know that schools are an important part of their communities and that conversations about a school's future can bring questions and concerns. We encourage families, community members, and other stakeholders to take part in the process. Your input is an important part of the study and will help the DEC as it considers all the information before making its final recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David McTimoney".

David McTimoney
Superintendent
Anglophone West School District