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Dear Parents & Guardians of Students in Medicine Hat Catholic Schools:

MEDICINE HAT CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE



Attendance Areas & Boundaries
École St. John Paul II School
Wednesday February 7, 2018 from 6:30-8pm
at Holy Family Parish Hall

We are very excited about our newest Catholic School, École St. John Paul II School situated in the Southlands area of the Medicine Hat which is nearing completion. The school is a lead Silver environmentally friendly school with many exciting features including connecting classrooms, large stage, big windows with lots of natural light, chapel, large gym, common areas, a kitchen capable of running a nutrition program, large play fields, stage, baseball diamonds, and a skating rink. We are also very excited about its close proximity to Holy Family Parish.

At the January 30, 2018 Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees for the Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education passed the following motion:

“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”.

As well, motions were passed to configure the school to a K-6 dual track English/French Immersion Program and the name to be École St. John Paul II School.

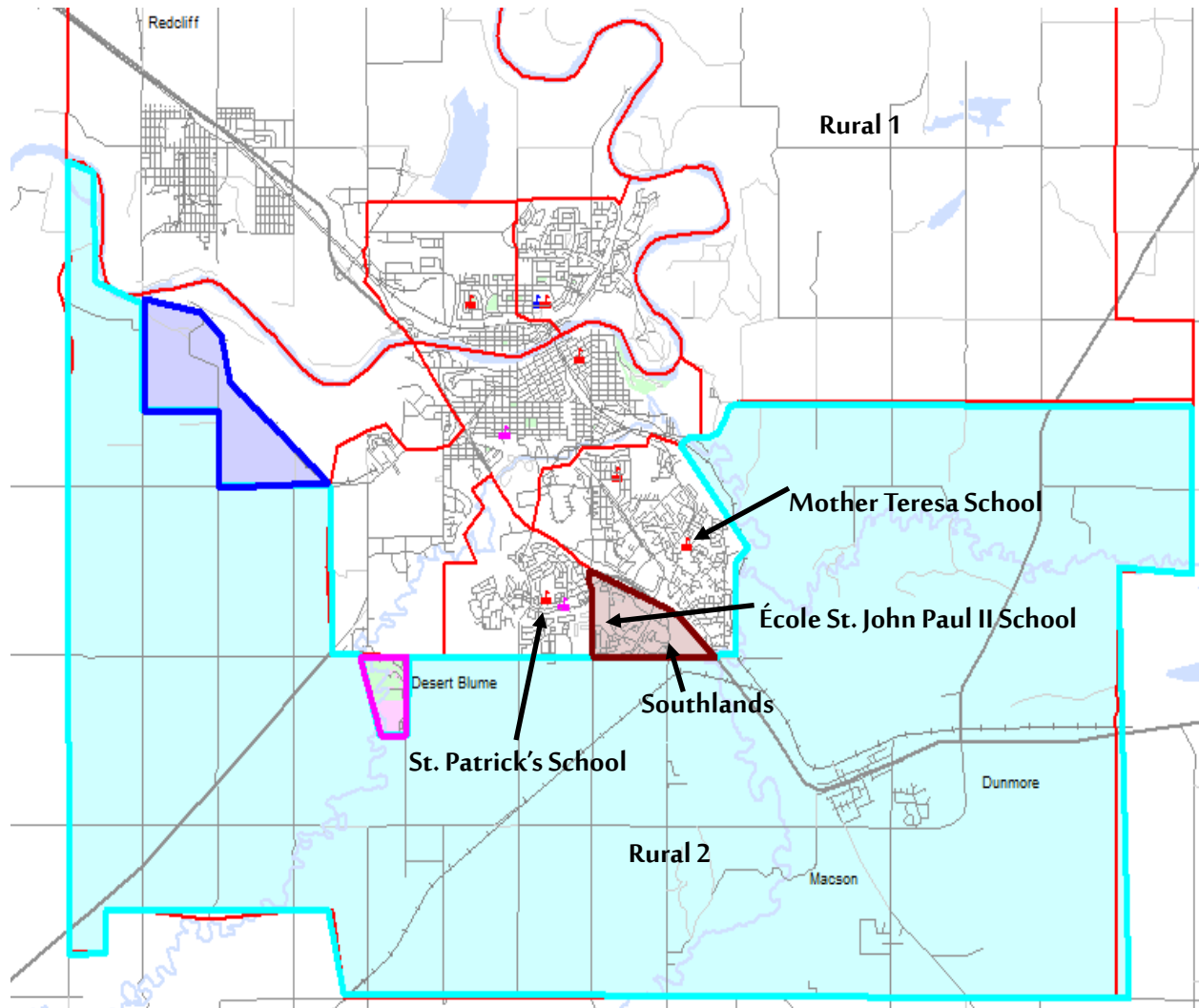
The Board also discussed the Attendance Areas & Boundaries and made the following motion:

“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”.

As a result of this motion on Attendance Areas & Boundaries an **Open House is scheduled for Wednesday, February 7th from 6:30-8pm at Holy Family Parish Hall (1451 Strachan Road SE., Medicine Hat)**, in order to solicit feedback on the boundary proposal and to bring back a summary of the feedback with a recommendation for the Board.

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The proposed boundaries for the English Program at École St. John Paul II School include the areas:

- East of 13th Avenue - South of the Trans Canada, North of the City Boundary which includes Southlands;
- Dunmore and the Rural 2 component

Note: The Rural 2 component of the District does not include Desert Blume. Desert Blume will be zoned to St. Patrick's "only". It was previously a flex zone for Mother Teresa and St. Patrick's.

The boundaries for the French Immersion Program at École St. John Paul II School include the areas:

- District-wide

The map illustrates the recommended boundaries. Following the consultation process, the Board will review the feedback on the Boundary Proposal. A recommendation will be presented to the Board at the upcoming February 13, 2018 Catholic School Board Meeting.

On behalf of Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education, thank you.

A. Clister

Superintendent of Schools
Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education

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