May 16, 2022

Email to: All members of the Community Schools Alliance

Re: Resolution re Rural and Northern Education

Please place this resolution on your municipal Council agenda

The Executive Committee of the Community Schools Alliance has developed a Three Point Action Plan for which we are seeking your support.

Each point is designed to improve access to public education in rural and northern communities.

All three points have been expressed recently to the Minister of Education, the Parliamentary Assistant and representatives of the New Democratic Party and the Liberal Party.

Resolution

Whereas all students should have the opportunity to attend elementary and

secondary school in their home community

Therefore, be it resolved that:

The province increase the Rural and Northern Education Fund (RNEF) to \$50 million;

Should the current moratorium on accommodation reviews and school closures be lifted, we ask that the moratorium remain in place for <u>schools</u> that qualify for the RNEF until a <u>thorough review of the ed</u>ucation funding formula is completed;

Before templates required by the 2018 Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline (PARG) are developed, there be consultation with school boards and community groups including the Community Schools Alliance.

A background paper that supports the Action Plan is attached.

Please send a copy of your resolution to the undersigned and your MPP.

Thank you for your consideration.

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