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April 27, 2022

## Inform | New School Opening in Skyview Ranch

Re: Change to opening school date, designation information, grade configuration changes and more school information.

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

The Calgary Board of Education (CBE) is pleased to be opening a new school in Skyview Ranch named Prairie Sky School. This school will serve all kindergarten to Grade 9 students in the Skyview Ranch community and allow them to attend a school closer to home.

The opening date for Prairie Sky School has changed due to construction delays.

The school will now open later in the 2022-23 school year. We understand a change in schools mid-year can be difficult for families and have developed a plan to support students as they begin the 2022-23 school year and transition to a new school. The revised opening date will be announced in the fall.

### If the new school opening is delayed, where will students go in the fall?

We are organizing a 'school within a school' concept. Students residing in the community of Skyview Ranch who are designated to Prairie Sky School will continue to attend their current designated school: Annie Foote, Monterey Park or Dr. Gordon Higgins, until the new school is open. To make the transition to the new school easier, we will do what is possible to keep students together with their teachers when transitioning from the "school within a school" model to the new school. Should students be introduced to a new teacher during the move, student learning and well-being will be a top priority. Communication with parents will occur before moving into Prairie Sky School if a change in teacher will be necessary.

There will be some administrative challenges in accommodating students at three different schools. However, we believe this is the best temporary option for student learning. Principals of Prairie Sky, Annie Foote, Monterey Park and Dr. Gordon Higgins will work closely together to facilitate a smooth beginning to the 2022-23 school year and a successful transition to the new Prairie Sky School.

The operation of a 'school within a school' is not new for the CBE, as construction delays happen based on factors outside our control. Our previous experience will help ensure students and staff have great experiences despite making a transition during the school year.

### Grade configurations at schools that serve the Skyview Ranch community:

| School Name        | School Year        | Grades    |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Prairie Sky School | 2022-23            | K-Grade 8 |
| Dr. Gordon Higgins | 2022-23            | Grade 9   |
| Prairie Sky School | 2023-24 and beyond | K-Grade 9 |

**Which communities are designated to attend Prairie Sky School?**

Please see the attached attendance area map for Prairie Sky School. Kindergarten to Grade 8 students residing in the community of Skyview Ranch will attend the new school when it opens in the 2022-23 school year.

The CBE aims to offer a kindergarten to Grade 12 learning continuum that minimizes transitions between schools. The new school will not offer Grade 9 in its first year to allow students to complete Grade 9 at Dr. Gordon Higgins School in the 2022-23 school year.

**How do I register my child?**

Eligible students currently attending Annie Foote, Monterey Park or Dr. Gordon Higgins schools will automatically be transferred to the new school when it opens. If you have a child eligible to attend kindergarten in Sept. 2022 and you have not yet registered, you can register your child for kindergarten at Prairie Sky School. For more information on how to register, please visit [our website](#).

Please note that the new school will only be able to accommodate students living within the designated area. Out-of-attendance area students will not be accepted for the new Skyview Ranch School.

**Who is the new school Principal?**

Mona Harswinder Bains is the principal of Prairie Sky School. She will continue to work with the existing and new school community, parents and students to develop a school opening transition plan.

**Can my child take the school bus?**

Students are eligible for transportation to their designated school if they live beyond the walk zone. Information regarding [transportation services and fees](#) is available on the CBE website.

Transportation services from the Skyview Ranch community to Annie Foote and Monterey Park Schools will be available until Prairie Sky School opens. Transportation services from Skyview Ranch to Dr. Gordon Higgins School will be available until the end of June 2023.

**What happens if Prairie Sky School isn't ready to open during the 2022-23 school year?**

CBE is closely monitoring construction progress. Our contingency plan will ensure the learning needs of students are met. We will keep parents and the community informed of any changes. For up-to-date information on the construction status of the school, please visit [Building & Modernizing Schools](#).

This is an exciting time. We look forward to working with you as we welcome students to their new school.



If you have questions or require additional information, please contact the Area 4 office at 403-777-6233 (extension 0) or [Area4@cbe.ab.ca](mailto:Area4@cbe.ab.ca).

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