



ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Minister Serge Rousselle
Department of Education and Early Childhood Development
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May 26, 2015

Minister Rousselle,

On behalf of the Anglophone West School District Education Council (ASD-W DEC), I write to you in compliance with Provincial Policy 409 – Multi-year School Infrastructure Planning, and, specifically, with details of our conversations and subsequent approved motions regarding “trigger schools”. Our Council met in a public forum on Thursday, May 21, 2015, to discuss these schools and formulate our plans for sustainability studies for the term May/2015 to January/2016.

As you are aware, Section 6.4.3 of the policy states:

“Upon mutual consent of the DEC and the Minister, a school may be exempt from a triggered sustainability study if the DEC has determined that a compelling circumstance exists. A school that has been subject to a sustainability study completed within the past four years is exempt”

On May 21, the Council discussed each of the twelve “trigger schools” listed by your Department and debated rationale behind conducting a sustainability study or citing compelling circumstances that would call for a mutual agreement to exempt the school from study for a defined period of time. Among the conversations, we approved the following request for exemption:

Trigger School:

Burton Elementary School

Compelling Circumstance:

Burton Elementary School only has a capacity of 63 students and the September 30 enrollment is sitting at 59. This school will likely always have a high functional capacity

Request:

That you, as Minister, mutually agree to exempt the study of Burton Elementary School for one year

We trust this information provides you with the necessary feedback from our Council regarding our desire to exempt the above mentioned school for the stated period of time. Full requirements of Policy 409 will be met in the weeks ahead with the submission of our district multi-year school infrastructure proposal and accompanying documentation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mark Noel, Chair
ASD-W District Education Council

cc: David McTimoney, Superintendent