

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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TO: Board of Trustees  
FROM: E. Dossdall, Superintendent of Schools  
SUBJECT: Responses to Trustee Requests for Information  
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RESOURCE  
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INFORMATION

**TRUSTEE REQUEST #323, APRIL 23, 2001 (TRUSTEES GIBEAULT AND BONKO) PROVIDE A REPORT LISTING THE SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT THAT HAVE INSTITUTED BANS ON PRODUCTS SUCH AS PEANUTS IN RESPONSE TO STUDENT AND STAFF ALLERGIES.** During 2000-2001 the 27 schools listed below have instituted a ban on nut products either on a school wide basis, or in individual classes as required. Aldergrove has not instituted a ban, but has requested parents to limit the number of nut products brought to school. Dunluce and Hardisty have instituted a ban on products with strong aromas, such as perfume.

Baturyn	Homesteader	Meyokumin
Belmont	Institutional Services	Mount Pleasant
Centennial	Julia Kiniski	Ormsby
Crestwood	Lansdowne	Parkview
Delton	LaPerle	Richard Secord
Earl Buxton	Lymburn	Riverdale
Eastglen	Malmo	Sakaw
Forest Heights	Mayfield	Waverley
Greenview	Meadowlark	Wellington

(S. Stiles, 429-8035)

**TRUSTEE REQUEST #334, MAY 22, 2001, (TRUSTEE NICHOLSON) PROVIDE A SUMMATION OF THE NUMBER OF SQUARE METRES LEASED OUT IN OPERATIONAL AND NON-OPERATIONAL DISTRICT FACILITIES:** In 2000-2001, Edmonton Public Schools leased out 25,126.07 square metres in operational district facilities and 29,082.58 square metres in non-operational district facilities for a total of 54,208.65 square metres. Non-operational sites include closed schools and former administrative sites. (M. Colgan, 429-8537)

**TRUSTEE REQUEST #335, MAY 22, 2001 (TRUSTEE GIBEAULT) PROVIDE INFORMATION ON HOW MANY SPECIAL NEEDS DISTRICT SITES ARE OPERATING WITH LESS THAN THE GUARANTEED NUMBER OF STUDENTS WITHIN THE ALLOCATION, HOW MUCH DO WE SUBSIDIZE THOSE SITES AND WHERE DO THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS COME FROM.**

Based on Sept. 30, 2001:

number of level 5 and 6 guarantees	56
number of level 7, 8 and 9 guarantees	13

number of these positions that have been filled over the year	
level 5 and 6	30
level 7, 8 and 9	15

Guaranteed enrolments are part of the Basis of Allocation. There is no direct connection between revenue and allocation. Revenue for students comes from the province in two blocks; basic instruction for all students, and severe disabilities funding which historically has been allocated based on the number of students meeting Alberta Learning's criteria. Once the total district revenue has been projected the basis of allocation is the mechanism that is used to determine the distribution of the district's resources in support of the district priorities and in accordance with accountability for results.

There are no extra funds for the guaranteed enrolments, but it is taken into consideration when preparing the district budget. For example, although we do not receive provincial funding beyond September 30 for moderate special needs students, we retain funds within our "new to district" category thus ensuring that schools receiving these students have the necessary resources to provide programming.

District sites for special needs students receive a guarantee to ensure that adequate resources are available to deliver the necessary program without infringing on the resources for the rest of the population in that particular school. If a school receives a guarantee for more than two years without the spaces being filled that information is shared with the planning department and the viability of continuing the site is reviewed.

(M. Deising, 429-8063)

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