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Allard Building Site Sold to Kraut Development Services Ltd.

June 19, **2023 (Winnipeg, MB)** – After a competitive bidding process, the St. James-Assiniboia School Division (SJASD) has sold the site of former Allard School at 130 Allard Avenue to a local residential in-fill developer.

Kraut Development Services Ltd. purchased the property and will re-develop the site into low-density, bungalow-style condominium homes with 100 per cent on-site parking for residents and guests, and landscaping.

"This is a positive in-fill development that will add value and housing options to the Westwood community while making use of an under-utilized space," said Board Chair Cheryl Smukowich.

As part of the accepted proposal, the developer will demolish the existing building. The developer has successfully constructed similar in-fill developments throughout Winnipeg.

Allard School was built in 1967 and closed in 1986 due to declining enrollment. It was then leased to the Winnipeg Police Academy until 2016. Since then, it has been used as a location for the filming of movie *Bring It On: Cheer or Die.* During the pandemic, it was used as storage to help existing schools maintain physical distancing requirements.

SJASD placed the property up for sale on April 5, 2022.

SJASD is a progressive school division in west Winnipeg serving over 8,300 students across 26 schools. SJASD is committed to educational programs in which children can develop their natural abilities to their fullest extent, building upon personal strengths and the richness of our area's culturally diverse population. SJASD operates on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Ininew and Dakota peoples, and on the homeland of the Red River Métis nation. SJASD respects the Treaties that were made on this territory. For additional information, visit <u>sjasd.ca</u>.

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