St. James-Assiniboia School Division

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Notice to Parents of <u>NEW</u> KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS wishing to register for the <u>FIRST</u> time in a school OTHER THAN THEIR CATCHMENT SCHOOL

Given the Division's desire to keep Kindergarten to Grade 3 classrooms at 23 or fewer students, and Grades 4 and 5 at 28 or fewer, with very limited space, we need to be extremely cautious with registrations so as not to exceed these guidelines.

As a result, <u>no</u> out-of-catchment Kindergarten students will be accepted prior to June 22nd, which is in keeping with guidelines as outlined in the schools of choice legislation. Grades 1-5 students will be advised of their status by March 23rd.

As in the past, younger siblings of registered students from out-of-catchment as well as out-of-catchment children attending in-school daycares will not receive priority for registration. Classrooms are staffed based upon the number of in-catchment registrations.

Registration begins January 26, 2018. At 8:00 a.m. that morning, an on-line service will be available for parents wishing to register in a school other than their catchment area school. Upon completion, this service will create an electronically date and time stamped form which will establish an ordered waiting list. To complete this form, follow this link (which can also be found on your school's website):

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/outofcatchment

Parents who do not have internet access may complete their on-line form at any early years school beginning at 8:00 a.m. on January 26th. On or even after June 22nd, if space permits, out-of-catchment students will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with In-Division students receiving priority over Out-Of-Division students. More information will be available at each school's open house. Any questions or concerns should be discussed with the Principal(s). The following links may also be of interest:

Manitoba's Schools of Choice Policy: http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/schools/choice/

More information about which is your Catchment School can be found on our School Locator at this link:

http://mybaragar.com/index.cfm?event=page.SchoolLocatorPublic&DistrictCode=MB02

Note: Out-of-catchment students currently registered at the school may continue attending through Grade 5.

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