

## ÉCOLE FRANCOPHONE DE STONY PLAIN BEGINS TO TAKE SHAPE

**Stony Plain, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022** – The Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord (CSCN) is pleased to see the new École Francophone de Stony Plain begin to take shape as modular units arrive ahead of a the September 2022 opening.

École francophone de Stony Plain will offer French-first language education to almost 60 preschool to grade 6 students from Spruce Grove, Stony Plain and Parkland County. These students will finally have a school closer to home and will not longer face long bus times to attend school in Saint Albert.

"The Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord is thrilled that for the first time, students in Stony Plain will have a francophone school in their community. The CSCN is so grateful for the ongoing advocacy from local parents and support of the Town of Stony Plain and local MLA Searle Turton that have made this project possible," says Tanya Saumure, Chair, CSCN

"This is an exciting development for Stony Plain and a major milestone for our Francophone community. This new starter school will allow children to play, learn, grow, and above all realize their dreams in French," says Searle Turton, MLA for Spruce Grove-Stony Plain

"The opening of the new Francophone school is an exciting milestone for Stony Plain and the Francophone community. Being able to provide residents with a diversity of primary education options is integral to supporting the next generation of learners. I look forward to seeing the new school flourish and strengthen Francophone culture in our community," says Mayor William Choy

The school will begin as a starter school composed of modular units. As of May 30th, all 12 the modular units have arrived. Over the summer months, hallways will be built connecting the units and construction is scheduled to be completed ahead of the beginning of the school year. A permanent and equivalent K to 12 school for this community remains a high priority on the CSCN's capital plan and the CSCN will continue to advocate for this project.

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Created in 1994, the Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord offers each student a Catholic or public francophone education that favours individual growth, success, and community engagement. The CSCN welcomes almost 3,800 students in 19 francophone schools on a vast territory that spreads from Fort McMurray to Red Deer and Jasper to Lloydminster. Since its creation, the CSCN endeavours to inspire its students to become proud Francophones and engaged and contributing citizens.