

January 17, 2017

Dear parents;

CENSUS FOR THE 2017 SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

In anticipation of the upcoming election of school board trustees on October 16, 2017, the Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord (Conseil) decided to carry out a census of its electors. At your earliest convenience, please fill out the enclosed form and mail it to the Census Director in the self-addressed envelope. Only those forms received on or before **February 15, 2017, at 4 p.m.**, will be accounted for in the results of this census.

The personal information is being collected to support the administrative requirements of the local authorities' election process. Please note that, pursuant to the School Act, an elector who declares himself a Catholic school elector is eligible to vote for a Catholic school trustee while an elector who declares himself a public school elector is eligible to vote for a public school trustee, regardless of the school attended by his child.

An individual can register as an elector, if that individual:

- is 18 years of age older,
- is a Canadian citizen,
- has been a resident of Alberta for 6 consecutive months immediately preceding election day.

In addition, an individual must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- is a parent of a child or children enrolled (kindergarten to grade 12) in a school or schools operated by the Conseil,
- was enrolled as a student in a school operated by a francophone school board (Francophone Regional Authority) and received an Alberta High School Diploma or Certificate from a Francophone Regional authority,
- is the biological or adoptive parent of an individual who was enrolled as a student in a school operated by a Francophone Regional Authority and received an Alberta High School Diploma or Certificate from a Francophone Regional Authority.

The collection of personal information in this census is authorized under the *Local Authorities Election Act*. The information collected will be managed in accordance with the privacy provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

It is very important that each person respond individually to this census and fill out a separate form. The form is also available in French. (Le formulaire est également disponible en français).

We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Josée Devaney
Census Director