



OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Dear Parents/Guardians of Students at Stanley Elementary and High Schools,

On October 23, 2014, the Anglophone West School District Education Council (ASD-W DEC) voted in favor of engaging a sustainability study of the Stanley Elementary and High School Complex, under the process outlined in the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Provincial Policy 409: Multi-year Infrastructure Planning. This policy serves as a foundation for determining the sustainability of a school, taking into account many aspects, such as:

Enrolment Transportation

Health and Safety Impact on Community Impact on Other Schools Quality Education and Services

Finances

Economic Development

The sustainability study follows a process that includes three public meetings. The first public meeting will be held on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at Stanley High School. The meeting will begin at 6:30PM. This portion of the meeting will be for a presentation of facts about Stanley Elementary and High Schools, in line with, but not limited to, the categories above. The second public meeting will occur on Thursday, February 5, 2015, and will allow for interested individuals, stakeholders and parties to present information to be considered in the decision-making process. This meeting will start at 7:00PM and also be held at Stanley High School. The third public meeting will occur on Thursday, March 19, 2015, at Priestman Street Elementary School in Fredericton. An opportunity for people to watch the meeting virtually will be made for the location of Stanley High School. At this time, the District Education Council will discuss the study and vote on a final recommendation. That recommendation will be one of three possibilities:

- 1. Maintain the status-quo at the Stanley Elementary and High School Complex.
- Invest dollars into the infrastructure/programming at the Stanley Elementary and High School Complex.
- 3. Allow for the joining of the two schools into one, K-12 school.

The Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development must approve recommendation #2 or #3, if made by the DEC.

The staff of Anglophone West School District will gather and organize information that will be presented at the first meeting. As mentioned above, the meeting will be open to the public. We will also do our best to inform affected persons (beyond parents) through a public notice.

Policy 409 can be found by going to the Government of New Brunswick website (www.gnb.ca) and choosing the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development site under "Departments". Under the title "Information", you can choose "Policies", and this will bring you to a selection of policies, including Policy 409. The direct link to the policy is: http://www.gnb.ca/0000/policies.asp

Alternatively, you can visit our district website (www.asd-w.nbed.nb.ca), where we will maintain a current section with respect to the sustainability study. Related public information will also be posted there, including letters such as these. A public discussion board will also be available for respectful, constructive comments on the study.

Safety and quality education remain a priority for your children.

Sincerely

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