

## Memo

**TO: FMPSD Staff**

FROM: Jennifer Turner, Superintendent of Schools

RE: Saturday, March 28, 2020

Dear staff,

This afternoon we received communication from the Government of Alberta that they are cutting funding to school divisions for educational assistants, substitute teachers, bussing and other services temporarily as a result of the increasing demands of the provincial response to COVID-19.

At the same time we received this information, this news appeared in the media and on social media. We received no forewarning of this announcement and are deeply saddened by the additional stress this announcement has placed on our valued employees.

The members of Senior Leadership and our Board of Education will participate in a teleconference call with the Ministry of Education on Monday morning to learn more information about this announcement.

All of our employees are valued and we know you have been providing meaningful support for our students and families during this challenging time. As we learn more information about this announcement we will reach out to our employees in the coming days.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Turner, R. Psych  
Superintendent of Schools