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The Board of Trustees Wants Your Help to Name Our New School



The Board of Trustees wants your help to name the brand-new school in Transcona—the future of learning, laughter, and community spirit—set to welcome 800 students and their families.

Trustees are inviting the community to suggest names worthy of the memories, milestones, and bright futures that will fill the school's halls.

“Naming the school is an exciting and historic act,” said Colleen Carswell, Board Chair. “This is a chance to become part of history and to reflect community spirit and pride.”

Names can be based on the neighbourhood where the school is located or something of historical and cultural significance to the community.

A name could also recognize a community member who made outstanding contributions to education and community life.

For further information, please visit our website at retsd.mb.ca/policies and see Policy FFA-R1.



Submission forms and more information can be found by following the QR code or <https://bit.ly/4dfhEuc>

Deadline July 3, 2026, at 4 p.m.

Submissions can be sent to communications@retsd.mb.ca

Building the Heart of a Community: Transcona's New School



The countdown is on! The announcement of River East Transcona School Division's newest school with K to 8 English programming is creating excitement across Transcona. Once the school is built and the doors open, students will fill the halls with curiosity, creativity, and connection—transforming bricks and mortar into a vibrant hub of learning and community life.

The new school is more than just a new building; it's a heart for a growing community. The Government's original announcement was to create space for 650 students, but knowing the community is still expanding, the RETSD Board of Trustees advocated for a larger school. We're happy to announce that 800 students will now call the school home. As a result, all of the students currently being transported out of the neighbourhood will be able to return to their community to discover their talents, form friendships, and make memories.

The new Devonshire school will include:

- Manufacturing, textiles, and foods labs.
- A large library, and band and music rooms.
- 32 classrooms.
- A Student Services suite to support students with additional needs.
- Dedicated drop off/pick up space.
- An attached childcare centre for 104 children.

We're excited to welcome families into the school. Additional information will be shared on social media channels and the RETSD website as soon as it is available.

We're grateful to the Government of Manitoba for recognizing the need for this new school—the first new school in Transcona since 1990—and helping RETSD to build it. But the Board of Trustees won't stop with this school.

Now more than ever, there is a compelling need for more schools in RETSD—K-8 and senior years. Stay connected to learn how you can help us!

New School Catchment Area

We are excited to announce that a catchment area for the new school has been created. The western-most border follows Lagimodiere Boulevard from Reenders Drive to the train tracks north of the Devonshire area. It follows the tracks to Bill Briercliffe Drive, then veers south to Devonshire Drive West. The southern-most border runs along the train tracks south of the community and Reenders Drive.

A visual map will be published on the RETSD website soon.

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