

The Board of Education of School District No. 83

BRIEFING NOTE

TO: The Board of Education DATE: November 19, 2024

FROM: Dale Culler, Secretary Treasurer

RE: Enrolment Update

Purpose

This briefing note is to provide an update to the Board on enrolment from the September 29, 2024 1701.

Background

Each year the Ministry of Education requires the District to prepare and submit student data and return it to the Ministry. One of the forms that the District must submit is called the 1701. The form collects the following information about individual students as of September 29, 2024:

- Name, birth date, gender, grade level and postal code
- Language program enrolment
- Indigenous Education program enrolment
- Indigenous self-identification and reserve residency
- Special Needs category enrolment
- Number of courses for all students in the secondary grades including adults.

The collected information is critical for:

- Determining FTEs for funding purposes
- Tracking student movement between schools
- Monitoring enrolment trends in programs.

Enrolment Update

Enrolment Based

	September 2024 1701	March 2024 Projection	September 2023 1701
Enrolment Based	6815.0000 FTE	6668.1054 FTE	6761.8125 FTE

The September 29, 2024 1701 resulted in an increase of 146.8946 FTE over what was originally projected in February 2024. This is also an increase of 53.1875 FTE over enrolment at September 29th last year.

Supplemental Based

	September 2024 1701	March 2024 Projection	September 2023 1701
Special Education			
Level 1	5	5	5
Level 2	487	471	463
Level 3	148	151	169
ELL	83	71	79
Indigenous Education	1260	1171	1229
Adult	0.0000 FTE	0.0000 FTE	0.1250 FTE

- Level 1 resulted in no change over what was originally projected in February 2024. There is also no change in students over enrolment at September 29th last year.
- Level 2 resulted in an increase of 16 students over what was originally projected in February 2024. This is also an increase of 24 students over enrolment at September 29th last year.
- Level 3 resulted in a decrease of 3 students under what was originally projected in February 2024. This is also a decrease of 21 students under enrolment at September 29th last year.
- ELL resulted in an increase of 12 students over what was originally projected in February 2024. This is also an increase of 4 students over enrolment at September 29th last year.
- Indigenous Education resulted in an increase of 89 students over what was originally projected in February 2024. This is also an increase of 31 students over enrolment at September 29th last year.

Student enrolment projections were provided to the Ministry of Education in February, and these projections formed the basis for the preliminary operating grant that the district received. Enrolment numbers at all schools were monitored closely throughout the spring and summer to ensure that adequate classroom space and staffing levels were in place for September. The enrolment reported at September 29th will determine the final operating grant for the district, which will be announced in December 2024. The estimated impact of the enrolment changes based on the funding rates provided by the Ministry in March 2024 is expected to be an increase in the operating grant of approximately \$1,746,195.

Recommendation

For information purposes; no action required.

Respectfully submitted,

Dale Culler, CPA, CA Secretary Treasurer