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Our Board Believes:

That our rural Alberta students deserve the same equitable access to programming and supports as their urban counterparts.

Our Board Calls For:

Increased and equitable funding to support the technology, bandwidth and connectivity needs of our rural students.





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Support for Rural Schools

- Funding Northern Gateway Public Schools advocates for predictable, adequate, equitable and sustainable funding to meet the educational needs of rural students.
- Equal Opportunity We know that a strong education system leads to economic growth in our rural communities and that every Alberta student needs opportunities and resources that will prepare them for their future and for a strong and diversified economy.
- Specialized Supports Access to specialized supports like occupational health, mental health and speech therapists for rural students is challenging and costly. We continue to advocate for increased funding and services to meet the needs of students.

Transportation and Facilities

- The impact of long student ride times is significant on a student's daily experience. The need to have safe and efficient transportation services remains a key focus.
- The Division has developed short and long range facility plans to ensure that we have the right spaces in the right places.
- Rural Alberta communities and industry support the province's economy - from oil and gas revenues, to farming, lumber and other natural resources. Ensuring rural Alberta communities are served by a strong and equipped education system is an investment in Alberta's current and future industry.



Community Connections

- Strong community based programs like Work Experience, Apprenticeships and Career Exploratory Boot Camps are vital to rural students. These high impact, community connected programs support student success and community growth.
- The shift to at-home, online learning during Covid-19 has highlighted the need for government at all levels to facilitate improved internet connection in our rural communities. Access must be affordable and scalable, allowing students to extend their learning anytime when at home.
- Working with provincial, municipal and community partners builds better communities and supports greater opportunities for students.



Child and Youth Mental Health Services

• Students thrive when they have mental health tools and strategies to fall back on and when they have the ability to help others develop their own tools and strategies.

Northern Gateway Public Schools advocates for comprehensive multi-level mental health supports for our students.



