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School boards association submission to K-12 Education Review keeps students and communities at the centre

The Manitoba School Boards Association's comprehensive submission to the Manitoba Commission on Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education, *2020 Vision*, is now available on the association's website. The full submission serves as a companion resource document to the association's brief to the Commission, which is also available on the website, in both English and French.

In its submission, the school boards association has addressed all focus areas identified by the Commission: long-term vision, student learning, teaching, accountability for student success, governance and funding.

"Manitoba's school boards understand that the education system they govern is extremely complex," said association President Alan Campbell. "For that system to function effectively—and by functioning effectively I mean meeting the academic, physical, social and emotional needs of all students—every component, from governance structures to teaching practices to the funding model, must be focused on that same goal. In setting the mandate of the Commission so broadly, the government of Manitoba has recognized that reality," concluded Mr. Campbell, "and our submission has responded to the many focus areas chosen under the Review's terms of reference."

The association's submission includes 31 recommendations to the Commission, as well as detailed information and analysis about demographic, historical and educational trends in Manitoba and Canada. The submission also includes information about the role of school boards in general, as well as details of some of the unique or innovative ways that locally elected school boards are working to enhance programs and services to meet student needs.

The Manitoba School Boards Association's full submission can be accessed at
http://www.mbschoolboards.ca/documents/Advocacy/MSBA_Submission.pdf.

The English-language brief is available at
http://www.mbschoolboards.ca/documents/Advocacy/MSBA_Submission_Summary.pdf.

The French-language brief is available at
http://www.mbschoolboards.ca/documents/Advocacy/MSBA_Submission_SummaryFR.pdf.

Links to each of these documents, along with information about the Review Commission and the role of locally elected school boards can be found at www.localvoices.ca.

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