## Staff Report



March 12, 2024

**To** Board of Education (Public Meeting)

**From** Ray Velestuk, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

Re Board Policy 18 – School Catchment Areas

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Board of Education approve proposed revised Board Policy 18 - School Catchment Areas, as presented.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Changes to Board Policy 18 – School Catchment Areas were presented at the January 23, 2024, Board meeting.

The policy changes align with the new school-of-choice provisions in the *School Act* enabling First Nations to decide which school First Nations students who live on reserve, self-governing or Treaty Lands, will attend.

Other proposed changes clarify the registration timelines and the process for registration in district programs.

As agreed to at the January 23<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting, and in accordance with Board Policy 10 - *Policy Formation and Review*, the proposed revised Policy 18 was posted to the School District's website for a consultation period.