



## Share our Story!

### Rocky View Schools (RVS) needs more space for students.

RVS is urgently in need of more Space for Students in several of our communities. Many of our schools are running out of spaces for students. We need the provincial government to build new schools in RVS and provide more modular classrooms while these new schools are built. We need to be heard by the government, so they prioritize funding for schools in our most critically impacted RVS communities. Parents/guardians have an important voice about the space needed for their children to do their best in school. We need your help to share our story. Together, we can help to ensure our voices are heard.

### What steps can you take?

RVS has created this Share our Story guide to give you some ideas and tools to help you advocate for Space for Students. If you have questions on advocacy, please contact your local trustee.

#### Share Space for Students Infographics

RVS has produced infographics to highlight our need for space division-wide and in the highest needs communities of Airdrie, Cochrane and Chestermere. These can be shared electronically or printed in hardcopy.

#### Tell your Friends, Family and Others

Talk to those around you about the need for more student spaces in your community. Talking about how your children are impacted by overutilized schools with decision-makers and influencers can be very effective. Provide them with key information and ask that they reach out and share with people who can positively influence.

#### Contact Municipal and Provincial Governments

Write a letter, send a personal email to politicians, pick up the phone and call about your concerns and personal stories about how your child(ren) are impacted by crowded schools.

Consider reaching out to your local councillor and mayor asking them to prioritize getting schools sites ready. Without school sites, RVS cannot even ask the provincial government for new schools.

Send your personal story and Space for Students infographic to your Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA), Minister of Education, Minister of Infrastructure, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Premier.

#### Share RVS Social Media Posts

Follow our RVS Facebook, Twitter and Instagram feeds and reshare our Space for Students posts to help us reach as many people as possible.

#### Watch our Website for Updates and Information

We are focused on advocating for Space for Students and will continue to share updates and information. Check back often!

### Tips for advocating for more Space for Students in RVS

RVS recommends when advocating to individuals to always keep the message positive and personal. Whether speaking, emailing, or using social media platforms, we encourage active and respectful dialogue. Use the data provided along with personal stories and impacts you see with your own child(ren) to provide a personalized, impactful message to key decision-makers. Ensure they know you are invested in this issue and that it is an important community-wide issue. We also do not recommend online petitions as an effective and positive means of advocating.

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