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## School Re-Entry Update

- In early September, Rocky View Schools (RVS) welcomed back approximately 22,500 students for inclass instruction and just over 3,000 for online learning.
- Approximately 250 students have chosen to be homeschooled through RVS while approximately 500 students have chosen to defer Kindergarten or leave RVS for other educational opportunities.
- RVS will continue to monitor and adjust re-entry plans as the situation evolves.
- Administration will bring to the Board options to be considered for the recently announced \$9.3 million resulting from the federal government's Safe Return to Class funding.
- Along with Trustees, RVS administration expresses its gratitude to all staff who have demonstrated resilience, dedication and commitment to a successful school re-entry. RVS also appreciates the understanding, patience and flexibility of families throughout the implementation of these changes.

## The Board Celebrates the Opening of Westbrook School

- Trustees celebrated the opening of the replacement Westbrook School and were provided a virtual walk through of the new facility.
- The replacement school was funded by the Board and Alberta Government with additional support provided by the Friends of Westbrook School and Rocky View County to enhance the gym.

## **Capital Maintenance and Renewal Projects Update**

- RVS received approval, May 21, 2020, for 18 Capital Maintenance and Renewal (CMR) projects totalling \$6.7 million.
- As some bids for CMR projects came in lower than projected, RVS was able to add extra projects, approved by Alberta Education, in order to fully utilize the funding allocation.
- Alberta Education has advised RVS that projects that have not commenced by October may be cancelled and projects that are underway will be considered on a case-by-base basis.
- RVS aims to complete all projects by October 2020, however, given the tight timeline, the jurisdiction will inform Alberta Education on completion status and will seek funding extension approval, if needed.