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## Dear Prairie Spirit families:

## Re: Caring, Healthy, and Safe Learning Environments in Prairie Spirit Schools - Fair Notice Letter

Prairie Spirit School Division is committed to providing safe and caring learning environments for students, staff, parents, and community members. Our Caring, Healthy, and Safe Schools strategy is focused on environments where everyone is healthy and safe.

We prioritize caring, respectful, and supportive relationships, honouring diversity, creating welcoming and joyful spaces, and developing community partnerships. Students thrive in school learning environments that are caring, healthy, and safe. We collaborate with families, caregivers, and community partners to provide the supports young people need to stay healthy and happy.

As a part of our Caring, Healthy, and Safe Schools strategy, we model appropriate behavior and reinforce positive choices. It is important that parents and caregivers know that we respond to student behaviours that pose a potential risk to the health and well-being of others. When students behave inappropriately, administrators use progressive discipline, which involves a step-by-step approach that helps students understand their actions, take responsibility, and learn from their mistakes.

Prairie Spirit School Division is a proud signed partner in the Saskatoon and Area Community Threat Assessment and Support Protocol (CTASP), which was launched in 2011. This protocol allows community partners to proactively share information, advice, and expertise to provide appropriate trauma-informed support to our students and families. Each of our schools has a dedicated team, which includes principals/vice principals, counsellors, and other school leaders, who work within this protocol. Our shared understanding and commitment is to safely equip our staff to effectively intervene and respond when a student is in crisis.

Prairie Spirit School Division has several administrative procedures in place to support our Caring, Healthy, and Safe Schools strategy. Your school principal will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

We look forward to continuing our work with you and our community partners to provide caring, healthy, and safe schools for our students.

For more information on Prairie Spirit's Caring, Healthy and Safe Schools strategy:

- Caring, Healthy and Safe Schools (spiritsd.ca)
- Saskatoon and Area Community Threat Assessment and Support Protocol
- Fair-Notice-graphic.pdf (spiritsd.ca)
- ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES Prairie Spirit School Division (spiritsd.ca)
- 2024-08-28-Letter-to-Prairie-Spirit-families-Student-Use-of-Personal-Electronic-Devices.pdf

Sincerely,

Director of Education