

MEDIA INVITE

Official School Opening in Winnipeg School Division

September 21, 2021 (Winnipeg, MB) –Winnipeg School Division will officially open its newest school, **École Waterford Springs School**, at a livestreamed and in person celebration on Thursday, September 23, 2021.

Where: 2090 Jefferson Avenue

When: 2:30 p.m., Thursday, September 23, 2021

Who: Province of Manitoba

Betty Edel, Chair, Board of Trustees, Winnipeg School Division

Pauline Clarke, Chief Superintendent/CEO, Winnipeg School Division

Manuel Silva, Principal, École Waterford Springs School

Gurjeet Kaur, Chair, École Waterford Springs School Parent Council Committee

Student Representatives, École Waterford Springs School

Media are encouraged to attend this official school opening in person at an outdoor event. Masks are required at all times while on school property. If the event is moved indoors due to weather, proof of vaccination will be required.

To view the livestream event – visit www.winnipegsd.ca/waterfordsprings

École Waterford Springs School serves children from the growing communities of Waterford Green, Castlebury Meadows, Castlebury Springs and Northwest Farms. Already there are 730 students enrolled with 173 in the French Immersion program. The school, which cost \$21.9 million to build, is 76,400 square feet and able to accommodate up to 800 students.

WSD is celebrating 150 years of learning this year and has 79 schools, 32,752 students and 4,587 full-time employees. Its purpose is to provide a learning environment that fosters the growth of each student's potential and provide equitable opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills and values necessary for meaningful participation in a global and diverse society.