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Re: Change to Clinical Support Services at SCCS

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are writing to inform you of an important change regarding clinical support services (Speech and Language, Social Work, and Psychology) at St. Charles Catholic School. Beginning in the 2025–2026 school year, our school will no longer have access to these services through the Winnipeg School Division, as our current contract is coming to an end and will not be renewed.

We recognize the significant impact these services have in supporting student learning and wellbeing, and we understand that this change may affect some students and families. We encourage families to explore private service providers to support any ongoing clinical needs.

Please know that both the Archdiocese of Winnipeg and the Manitoba Federation of Independent Schools have been actively advocating on behalf of our school to maintain access to these vital services. I have also reached out to other school divisions to explore partnership options, but so far, we have not had success in securing a new agreement.

At the same time, St. Charles is pursuing confirmation from government funding to support student services moving forward. However, we have not yet received confirmation of what this funding may include or how it will be allocated. As such, we are unable to guarantee the availability or scope of future clinical support for the 2025-2026 school year.

St. Charles will continue to have a full-time Resource teacher on staff to provide school-based support and to help facilitate this transition.

If you have any questions or would like assistance locating private clinical support services, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Sincerely,

Aneta Prettie Principal