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**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Darrel Robertson, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT:** 2017-2018 Non-Resident Fees and 2018-2019 International Student Program Fees

**ORIGINATOR:** Todd Burnstad, Chief Financial Officer

**RESOURCE**

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## ISSUE

Non-Resident fees are set annually by the Board of Trustees for the purpose of recovering educational programming costs for students who are either not eligible to receive provincial funding or where another district has received the provincial funding allocation and is requesting Edmonton Public Schools to provide the educational programming for their resident students.

## BACKGROUND

### **Non-Alberta Resident and Special Needs Non-Resident Fees**

The District charges a fee for students who are residents of Canada where the parent does not reside in Alberta. As per provincial funding guidelines, Edmonton Public Schools does not receive per student grants for those ineligible students. Therefore, a fee is required to cover the costs of educational programming. For the 2016-2017 school year, there are three Non-Alberta resident students registered with Edmonton Public Schools.

The District also enters into education service agreements (sponsorships) with other jurisdictions to provide instructional programming for special needs students in Levels 5 through 8. The actual cost of the program for a student can vary due to the specific needs of each student. As such, additional costs may be added to cover costs such as additional educational assistant time. In the current year, Edmonton Public Schools provides programming for 29 directed special needs students, 14 of these students are attending the Alberta School for the Deaf.

### **International Student Program Fees**

The District has a 22-year history of offering full-time academic programming to international students from many different countries through the International Student Program. This school year, 48 District schools served 590 international students from 33 different countries. The program generated revenues of approximately \$6 million, 67 per cent of which went directly to schools in support of teacher retention and education programs.

International student fees are charged because the District cannot claim education grants for international students. Several factors are considered in determining the international student tuition fees, including the cost of senior high programs with English Language Learning (ELL) instruction and support services, District operational costs including staff salaries and expenses associated with



## ATTACHMENT I

**EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**2017-2018 Proposed Non-Alberta Resident and Special Needs Non-Resident Fees**  
**2018-2019 Proposed International Student Tuition and Application Fees**

<i>Description</i>	<i>2017-2018 Proposed Fees</i>	<i>2016-2017 Approved Fees</i>	<i>Variance \$</i>	<i>Variance %</i>
<b>NON-ALBERTA RESIDENT FEE</b>				
<i>Non-ELL Fee</i>	\$7,230	\$7,230	\$0	0%
<i>ELL Fee</i>	\$8,408	\$8,408	\$0	0%
<b>SPECIAL NEEDS NON-RESIDENT FEE</b>				
<b>Level 5</b> <i>Communication, ELL Foreign Born Refugee, Gifted &amp; Talented Extensions, Learning Disability, Literacy, Mild Cognitive Disability, Moderate Emotional/Behavioral, Hearing, Multiple, Visual Disability, Non-verbal Learning Disability, Strategies</i>	\$13,395	\$13,395	\$0	0%
<b>Level 6</b> <i>Moderate Cognitive, Physical or Medical Disability, or Pervasive Developmental Disorder</i>	\$14,947	\$14,947	\$0	0%
<b>Level 7</b> <i>Blindness, Deafness, ECS Severe Special Needs (PUF), Severe Cognitive, Emotional/Behavioral, Multiple, Physical or Medical Disability, or Pervasive Developmental Disorder</i>	\$25,960	\$25,960	\$0	0%
<b>Level 8</b> <i>Blindness, Deafness, Severe Cognitive, Multiple, Physical or Medical Disability, or Pervasive Developmental Disorder</i>	\$36,333	\$36,333	\$0	0%
	<b>2018-2019 Proposed Fees</b>	<b>2017-2018 Approved Fees</b>		
<b>INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM FEE</b>	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$0	0%
<b>INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION FEE</b>	\$250	\$250	\$0	0%