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To: All Patrons of The Curriculum Support Centre

This letter is to inform you that after a careful review, government has made the decision to close the Curriculum Support Centre (CSC) located at 1181 Portage Avenue (sometimes known as the English "Education Library"). The CSC closure will take effect on April 1, 2019. At that time the CSC will be closed to patrons. It is important to note that there will be no layoffs of staff as a result of this closure.

We are modernizing the Curriculum Support Centre, from a physical location toward more equitable online access to educators, bringing Manitoba in line with the rest of the provinces across Canada.

This will increase the number of teachers who use these resources to much greater online access province-wide. Further information about online services and curricular support materials for educators from Manitoba Education and Training will be made available in the near future.

All patrons of the library will need to return items on loan by March 22, 2019 to the CSC. The alternate formats collection currently in the CSC will however be moved and maintained on the second floor at 1181 Portage Avenue going forward and those items do not need to be returned at this time. Alternate format materials include books in braille or large print, audio and electronic text CDs, and titles from the touch book collection. These items typically remain on loan for the school year. Letters are sent to schools in May requesting the return of alternate format materials by the end of June, and they will be available again in September 2019.

Thank you for your assistance in this process and we look forward to providing exceptional and modernized curricular supports to Manitoba teachers and students.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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