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Additional Funding To Address Enrolment Increases

Prairie Valley School Division is one of eight school divisions in Saskatchewan to receive additional funding from the provincial government. The money in the amount of \$547,000 was announced Monday, November 26 in Saskatoon. This will help to address a significant enrolment increase of 221 students, as of September 30, 2012.

The additional funding will be used to hire more teaching staff for schools most impacted by growth and to offset additional transportation and resource costs, such as the purchase of additional textbooks and computers which correlates to the increased enrolment.

Board Chair, Janet Kotylak is pleased with the announcement. "The Prairie Valley School Board appreciates this additional funding," said Kotylak, "the growth we are seeing in our school division is wide-spread and can be attributed to the overall growth in our province as well as the strength of our economy, which is good news for everyone."

Twenty four of the thirty eight schools in Prairie Valley School Division experienced some level of growth in 2012-2013, reversing a three year trend of declining enrolments. Additionally, enrolment projections continue to show growth in Prairie Valley School Division beyond the 2012-2013 school year.

Prairie Valley School Division serves approximately 8,000 students in 38 schools throughout southeast Saskatchewan. In support of the vision "Leadership in Learning and Life", the Division strives to ensure a high-quality education that provides students with the tools to reach and exceed their potential.

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