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Seine River School Division

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Seine River School Division recognizes the importance of having strong system leadership to lead and support schools. Due to the resignation of our current superintendent the Board of Trustees is pleased to make the following announcements with regards to senior leadership positions:

Mr. Simon Laplante, 0.6 Co-Superintendent/CEO (Effective August 30, 2021 to June 30, 2022)

Mr. Laplante is an outstanding school and system leader who has been an instrumental leader in our school division communities. The past three years he has served the division as principal of École St. Adolphe School and École Ste. Anne Immersion School. Prior to that Mr. Laplante was the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction for Seine River School Division and was a long-term principal of École St. Norbert Immersion.

Simon is a passionate educator who believes deeply in inclusion, French language programs and developing a deep sense of community. His experience and expertise will be greatly appreciated as the division transitions into the Provincial Education Authority over the next school year.

Mrs. Elaine Lochhead, 0.5 Co-Superintendent/CEO (Effective October 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022)

Mrs. Lochhead recently retired from her 11-year career as Assistant Superintendent of Student Services on June 30, 2021. Elaine has been an instrumental leader in developing one of the most inclusive systems in the province and is a passionate advocate for strong learning environments.

Elaine's knowledge of the system, expertise and understanding of the differences in our fifteen schools will greatly assist the schools to transition to the new education system in Manitoba.

We are extremely fortunate to have two experienced and talented leaders assist our schools' transition during the 2021-2022 school year. We are deeply grateful that Elaine and Simon are willing to take on these roles and wish them much success in their one-year terms.