

March 28, 2020

Good day Phoenix Academy School System families,

The regular public meeting of the Newfoundland and Labrador English School Board was held on March 28, 2020. During that meeting, the Notice of Motion which was previously given at the meeting of the Board on December 7, 2019, for this system was withdrawn.

As such, Trustees did not proceed with the previously outlined Motion for the Phoenix Academy School System, which proposed the following changes:

- Sandstone Academy K-6 will close effective June, 2020 and all students will attend Phoenix Academy K-12 effective September, 2020; and
- The student attendance zone for Phoenix Academy will be rezoned to include the current student attendance zone for Sandstone Academy

This decision means that the Phoenix Academy School System will remain status quo for the 2020-2021 school year.


For reference in the backgrounder below, please find the original wording of the Motion for this system, which is **no longer being considered by the Board of Trustees**.

For further reference, all relevant information on the Phoenix Academy School System Review Process for the 2019-2020 school year can be found here: <https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/schoolreview/index.jsp>

The Board of Trustees would like to thank all members of the school community who provided their feedback throughout this process and also to the school councils and administrations of schools in this system for their invaluable contributions.

Should you have any questions regarding this decision by the Board of Trustees, please contact Maria Antle, Director of Schools, at (709) 256-2547 (ext. 314) or by email [mariaantle@nlesd.ca](mailto:mariaantle@nlesd.ca)

Regards,



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## **BACKGROUND**

The following is the Motion for the Phoenix Academy School System Review (no longer being brought forward):

**MOTION: Gill Memorial Academy/Phoenix Academy School System, Gill Memorial Academy (K-12), Phoenix Academy (K-12), Sandstone Academy (K-6)**

**WHEREAS** the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District is committed to providing the best possible educational programs for students; and

**WHEREAS** a reorganization of schooling in the Gill Memorial Academy/Phoenix Academy School Systems is required to achieve that objective;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that:** Sandstone Academy K-6 will close effective June, 2020 and all students will attend Phoenix Academy K-12 effective September, 2020.

**BE IT THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED that:** The student attendance zone for Phoenix Academy will be rezoned to include the current student attendance zone for Sandstone Academy.