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Good day Phoenix Academy School System families,

We connect today to release further information on the ongoing school system review and to advise you of a change of location for the upcoming public school community meeting, scheduled for March 17, 2020.

As we have now concluded the recent ThoughtExchange online conversations as part of the Phoenix Academy School System, we are sharing a report with you containing the results of the exchange. Using ThoughtExchange, the District invited participants to share their thoughts and rate the views of others on the Motion recently brought forward by the Board. The Motion would see Sandstone Academy (K-6) close, effective June 2020, and all students rezoned to attend Phoenix Academy (K-12). Trustees are expected to vote on this Motion at their March 28, 2020 regular public meeting.

To those who actively engaged in the consultation process through ThoughtExchange, the District thanks you for your guidance, interest, and participation. We have heard your thoughts and concerns and have responded to some of the perspectives shared. You will notice that we have not commented on all thoughts, as many people shared similar ideas, but we have responded to a sample of the concerns and suggestions raised.

Please review the report developed from the exchange here: <a href="http://bit.ly/19-20PAReviewP2">http://bit.ly/19-20PAReviewP2</a>

Community members are reminded to register their intentions to make a presentation to the Board at the upcoming public school community meeting, scheduled for **Tuesday**, **March 17**, beginning at **6:00 p.m**. The meeting had previously been slated to take place at Phoenix Academy. However, <u>please note the meeting will now take place at Sandstone Academy in Ladle Cove at the above-noted date</u>.

Presenters are asked to contact John Way at 709-727-8684 (between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.) or <a href="mailto:johnway@nlesd.ca">johnway@nlesd.ca</a> by **Thursday, February 20th at 4:00 p.m** to schedule a time.

For details on presentation timelines and other considerations, please visit the Phoenix Academy School System Review web page here: <a href="https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/schoolreview/index.jsp">https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/schoolreview/index.jsp</a>.

Should you have any questions, please contact Maria Antle, Director of Schools, at (709) 256-2547 (ext. 314) or <a href="mailto:mariaantle@nlesd.ca">mariaantle@nlesd.ca</a>.

Thank you for your continued input and engagement in this process.

Regards,

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