



**MINISTER
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Ashfaque A Nizamani
Secretary-Treasurer
Pine Creek School Division
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Dear Ashfaque A Nizamani:

Thank you for your submission of an Expression of Interest to the School-Based Child Care Expansion Project. I am pleased to inform you that MacGregory Elementary School has been selected to receive 104 new child care spaces.

The School-Based Child Care Expansion Project is an innovative approach to creating more child care spaces in partnership with school divisions in communities with a demonstrated need for child care. Through this project, Manitoba will provide full funding to develop new community-based child care spaces, in exchange for the school division's long-term lease to the child care operator, as well as serviced land (if required), grounds services and exterior building maintenance.

Funding for the project is provided through our partnership with Canada under the Canada-Manitoba Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement, and supports Manitoba's commitment to create 23,000 new child care spaces by 2026.

The department will reach out to your office in the coming weeks to discuss next steps for your project. Should you have questions in the meantime, please email CCGF@gov.mb.ca.

We appreciate your dedication to your community, your partnership and valuable contributions, which will ensure families living and working in your community have access to high-quality and inclusive child care services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Wayne Ewasko".

Wayne Ewasko

- c. Dana Rudy, Deputy Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning
Sarah Whiteford, Assistant Deputy Minister, Early Learning and Child Care