



**SCHOOL SUPPORT DECLARATION- CORPORATE**

All corporations or co-operative associations that own property located in a municipality where both a public school district and a Roman Catholic separate school district exist are required to file a school support declaration. If this School Support Notice is not returned to the municipality the property would be assessable for **public school** purposes and the taxes on such property will be directed to the Alberta School Foundation Fund and redistributed on an equal amount per student to public and separate school boards in Alberta. If this property is jointly owned with an individual, a separate declaration will have been mailed to the individual.

This declaration is for:

Account/Tax Roll Number

Legal Description

Name of Corporation or Co-operative Association

Address of Corporation or Co-operative Association

Consistent with the **Constitution of Canada**, the Alberta **Education Act** provides:

1. That a corporation which has shareholders must direct the same portion of their taxes in support of schools to the Roman Catholic separate school district that the value of shares owned by shareholders who are Roman Catholic bears to the total value of all shares of the corporation. A Roman Catholic is defined as an individual who recognizes the Pope as head of the Church.
2. That a corporation which does not have shareholders, or a co-operative association must direct the same portion of their taxes in support of schools to the Roman Catholic separate school district that the number of members who are Roman Catholic bears to the total number of members.
3. That a School Support Notice given by a corporation or a co-operative association under section 148 of the Education Act must state that the information in the School Support Notice has been approved by a resolution of the shareholders, the members, or the directors.

Therefore, I declare that the percentage shares of the corporation owned by shareholders (or the percentage of members of the corporation or co-operative association) who are Roman Catholic and the percentage shares owned by shareholders (or the percentage of members) who are Roman Catholic is shown below and that the information in the School Support Notice has been approved by resolution of the shareholders, members, or directors.

**Roman Catholic**                    % \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Percentage of shares/members must add up to 100%.**

**Non-Roman Catholic**            % \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed

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Witness or Corporate Seal

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Position

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date (YYYY-MM-DD)

**FACTS SHEET**

- In the *Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo* or in a portion of the municipality, both a public and a Roman Catholic separate school district exist in the same area.
- When property is sold, the purchaser is required to file with the *Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo* this School Support Notice.
- In addition, property owners can at any time file a new School Support Notice or change an existing School Support Notice.
- A School Support Notice filed by a property owner is effective in the taxation year following the year in which the School Support Notice is filed.
- Only property owners, not tenants, are entitled to file this School Support Notice.
- This School Support Notice applies to all property within the *Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo* owned by corporations or co-operatives whether or not the property owners reside in *Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo*.
- If this School Support Notice is not returned to the municipality, the property would be assessable for public school purposes and the taxes on such property will be directed to the Alberta School Foundation Fund and redistributed on an equal amount per student to public and separate school boards in Alberta.
- Because the **Constitution Act** establishes Alberta's public and separate school systems based on religion (either Protestant or Roman Catholic) school boards and tax collecting authorities are allowed and **required** to ask for the declaration contained in this form.

**For More Information regarding corporations, cooperatives or co-operative associations and the Education Act please see Education Act, Statutes of Alberta, 2012 Chapter E-0.3 – Sections 148-152**

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