

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 57 (PRINCE GEORGE)

February 11, 2025

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Education

FROM: District Staff

SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF CENTRAL INTERIOR DISTANCE EDUCATION  
SCHOOL

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During the 2024/25 Annual Budget development process, there was discussion regarding closure of the Central Interior Distance Education School (CIDES) based on student completion results and financial and staff recruitment pressures. In addition, there are several provincial Online Learning Programs available to support School District No. 57 students. There was lack of clarity at the time, however, as to whether the closure of CIDES would require a formal school closure process. The District has since confirmed that the closure of CIDES is a program closure and does not require the Board to follow Policy 7550, Opening and Closing of Schools, or Ministerial Order 194/08, School Opening and Closure Order.

Based on this information, the district is proceeding with the closure of the Central Interior Distance Education School (CIDES) effective June 30, 2025. Any students registered as of March 31, 2025 will be supported by program staff until January 31, 2026.