

December 19, 2011

Re: Additional One-Time Funding Allocation

On October 13, 2011 Education Minister Lukaszuk announced additional funding of \$107 million would be allocated to Alberta school authorities, based on the 2010/2011 funded student enrollments. Holy Family Catholic Regional Division No. 37 was allocated an additional funding of \$405,616.

A portion of the additional funding Holy Family received will support another Learning Coach, (altogether two (2) for the division) to provide additional classroom support for schools in the division. \$84,530 was returned to reserves to compensate for funds previously committed by the Division to fund the Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AIS) projects. When provincial AISI funding was decreased for the current school year, the Division made a commitment to maintain the program and fund the shortfall from reserves.

The balance of the funds, approximately \$221,000 was distributed to schools based on student enrolments. Each school has submitted a description to the Division office of how these one-time funds will be used this year. In summary, schools will hire additional certified staff and non-certified staff to reduce class sizes and support the Division education plan.