

# BUDGET REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 2007

[School Act, Sections 147(2)(b) and 276]

Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education

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Certified a true and correct summary of the year's budget approved by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held  
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**BUDGET SUMMARY**

In the following text box, please provide several brief comments which will help the Financial Reporting & Accountability Branch to better understand your budget and to identify significant business and financial risks facing your jurisdiction. Note that these brief comments should be consistent with your three year Education Plan submission and focus on anticipated material changes from the current year enrolment, staff, contracts, programs, projects, business and financial risks.

**Budget Highlights:**

Operating deficit of \$ 975,000. Deficit situation is mainly due to Provincial Operating Grants increase of 2.6 % not keeping pace with inflationary cost pressures on salaries, benefits and services, contracts and supplies.

**Comparing the 2006/07 Budget to the estimated revenues and expenses for the current year (2005/06):**

Total Revenues are increasing by \$ 1.4 M. Enrolment growth: \$ 245 K (1.0 %), Operating grants: \$872 K (2.6%), Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal IMR: \$ 257 K

Total expenditures are increasing by \$ 1.6 M: Salaries and benefits: \$ 1.2 M (3.9 %), Services, contracts and supplies: \$ 300 K (5%), Amortization of Capital Assets: \$103 K (5%).

**Included in Budgeted Expenditures for 2006/07 are:**

Start-up and operation of St. Martha School, the ninth Catholic School in Fort McMurray, with a projected initial enrolment of more than 325 students. Most students are currently attending St. Anne and Sister Mary Phillips Schools and will be relocating to their new neighbourhood school in September 2006.

Amalgamation of K-8 French Immersion Catholic Program at St. Paul School French Immersion Centre with increased staff, support and resources for French Immersion program that will now be operating from one school instead of two.

Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AISi - \$510 K) projects focusing on enhancing student learning and improving overall academic quality and performance with the addition of Curriculum Consultants and Coordinators providing mentoring and assistance in curriculum delivery, assessment and differentiated teaching methodologies

Small increase in class sizes as the number of classroom teaching positions are maintained at their 2005/06 level with projected 1% enrolment growth. Overall District Class size averages are still within the announced Alberta Education targets.

Locally funded capital expenditures totalling \$ 530 K to upgrade and modernize schools. Projects include upgrades of computer labs and basic classroom furniture and equipment and the continuation of several multi-years projects such as school security and telephone system replacement.

Provincially funded capital expenditures of \$ 700 K in Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal Projects and \$ 2.6 M allocated for the addition of seven portable classrooms at Father Mercredi High School and St. Martha School.

**Significant Business and Financial Risks:**

The severe labour shortage in the region is the most significant business and financial risk. It greatly impacts our ability to staff positions, contract services and provide educational and support services to our students. When successful in securing such resources, the cost premium paid to attract staff to the region or find contractors to work in our schools is increasing at a fast rate, well above the current cost differential funding provided in the Funding Framework.

The Fort McMurray Cost of Living Allowances ( \$ 1,000 per month) recently granted to employees of the Provincial Government, the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo and Keyano College have increased expectations from staff. It will impact our ability to retain and recruit employees, labour relations and the outcomes of future collective agreement bargaining. Under the current funding framework, the Board cannot possibly match these allowances paid by other local employers.

**BUDGETED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES**  
for the Year Ending August 31

	Approved Budget 2006/2007	Final Approved Budget 2005/2006	Actual 2004/2005
<b>REVENUES</b>			
<b>Government of Alberta</b>			
Alberta Education	\$35,081,921	\$30,195,580	\$31,026,365
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	\$0	\$2,874,100	\$2,055,737
Alberta Finance	\$432,000	\$550,000	\$447,900
Other Government of Alberta	\$5,800	\$6,000	\$5,800
Federal Government and/or First Nations	\$200,000	\$180,000	\$210,485
Other Alberta school authorities	\$0	\$0	\$0
Out of province authorities	\$0	\$0	\$0
Alberta Municipalities (excluding supplementary requisitions)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Instruction resource fees	\$200,000	\$215,000	\$210,258
Transportation fees	\$145,000	\$138,000	\$146,512
Other sales and services	\$189,663	\$0	\$191,963
Investment income	\$270,000	\$275,000	\$251,624
Gifts and donations	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$202,755
Rentals of facilities	\$73,900	\$75,000	\$76,872
Net school generated funds	\$70,000	\$105,000	\$66,895
Gains on disposal of capital assets	\$0	\$0	\$0
Amortization of capital allocations	\$1,283,192	\$1,325,000	\$1,283,192
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$38,101,476</b>	<b>\$36,088,680</b>	<b>\$36,176,358</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Certificated salaries	\$18,659,375	\$18,500,500	\$18,194,275
Certificated benefits	\$2,239,125	\$2,090,557	\$1,955,958
Uncertificated salaries and wages	\$7,203,067	\$5,906,400	\$6,368,146
Uncertificated benefits	\$1,495,210	\$1,145,842	\$1,201,799
Services, contracts and supplies	\$6,679,809	\$5,735,382	\$6,323,310
Net school generated funds	\$70,000	\$105,000	\$66,895
<b>Capital and debt services</b>			
Amortization of capital assets			
supported	\$1,283,192	\$1,325,000	\$1,283,192
unsupported	\$1,014,698	\$850,000	\$881,863
Interest on capital debt			
supported	\$432,000	\$550,000	\$447,900
unsupported	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other interest charges	\$0	\$0	\$0
Losses on disposal of capital assets	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$39,076,476</b>	<b>\$36,208,681</b>	<b>\$36,723,338</b>
<b>SURPLUS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>(\$975,000)</b>	<b>(\$120,001)</b>	<b>(\$546,980)</b>

**BUDGETED ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES (BY PROGRAM)**  
for the Year Ending August 31

	Approved Budget 2006/2007	Final Approved Budget 2005/2006	Actual 2004/2005
ECS - Grade 12 Instruction	\$30,610,353	\$28,130,810	\$29,123,834
Operations & Maintenance of Schools and Maintenance Shops	\$5,883,549	\$5,710,320	\$5,167,247
Transportation	\$1,040,311	\$956,088	\$953,137
Board & System Administration	\$1,497,731	\$1,341,462	\$1,402,588
External Services	\$44,532	\$70,000	\$76,533
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$39,076,476</b>	<b>\$36,208,680</b>	<b>\$36,723,339</b>

**BUDGETED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS (SUMMARY)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31**

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	TOTAL NET ASSETS (2+3+4)	INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS	UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	TOTAL RESTRICTED NET ASSETS (5+6)	OPERATING RESERVES	CAPITAL RESERVES	ACCUMULATED OPERATING SURPLUS (3+5)	TOTAL SURPLUS & RESERVES (6+7)
<b>Balances per AFS at August 31, 2005</b>	\$19,068,612	\$12,524,115	\$1,674,330	\$4,870,167	\$1,297,111	\$3,573,056	\$2,971,441	\$6,544,497
<b>2005/2006 Estimated adjustments to:</b>								
Projected surplus(deficit)	(\$650,000)		(\$650,000)					
Est. Board funded capital asset additions		\$1,300,000		(\$1,300,000)	\$0	(\$1,300,000)		
Est. Unsupported debt principal repayment		\$0	\$0					
Est. Amortization of capital assets (expense)		(\$2,047,890)	\$2,047,890					
Est. Amortization of capital allocations (revenue)		\$1,283,192	(\$1,283,192)					
Est. Net reserve transfers			(\$850,000)	\$850,000	\$0	\$850,000		
<b>Estimated Balances for August 31, 2006</b>	\$18,418,612	\$13,059,417	\$939,028	\$4,420,167	\$1,297,111	\$3,123,056	\$2,236,139	\$5,359,195
<b>2006/2007 Estimates for:</b>								
Budgeted surplus(deficit)	(\$975,000)		(\$975,000)					
Est. Board funded capital asset additions		\$1,145,000	\$0	(\$1,145,000)	\$0	(\$1,145,000)		
Est. Amortization of capital assets (expense)		(\$2,297,890)	\$2,297,890					
Est. Amortization of capital allocations (revenue)		\$1,283,192	(\$1,283,192)					
Est. Unsupported debt principal repayment		\$0	\$0					
Est. Net reserve transfers			(\$650,000)	\$650,000	\$0	\$650,000		
<b>Estimated Balances for August 31, 2007</b>	\$17,443,612	\$13,189,719	\$328,726	\$3,925,167	\$1,297,111	\$2,628,056	\$1,625,837	\$4,253,893

Where appropriate, please provide comments explaining significant anticipated changes in Unrestricted Net Assets, Investment in Capital Assets, Operating Reserves and/or Capital Reserves for 2005/2006 and/or 2006/2007. Also, please briefly describe any significant additions to unsupported capital.

**BUDGETED STUDENT STATISTICS  
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) ENROLLED STUDENTS**

	Budgeted 2006/2007 (Note 3)	Projected 2005/2006 (Note 3)	Actual 2004/2005	Notes
<b>GRADES 1 TO 12</b>				
<b>Eligible Funded Students:</b>				
Grades 1 to 9	2,726	2,696	2,850	Head count
Grades 10 to 12	930	930	948	Note 1
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,656</b>	<b>3,626</b>	<b>3,798</b>	
<b>Ineligible Students:</b>				
First Nations (on Reserves)	35	35	32	Students for which tuition fee payments are made from Band or INAC, (Code 330).
Other	5	5	6	< 5 years, 6 months; > 19 years; out-of-prov & foreign students.
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>38</b>	
<b>Total Net Enrolled Students</b>	<b>3,696</b>	<b>3,666</b>	<b>3,836</b>	
<b>Home Ed and Blended Program Students</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	Note 2
<b>Total Enrolled Students, Grades 1-12</b>	<b>3,696</b>	<b>3,666</b>	<b>3,836</b>	
<b>Of the Total Grades 1 to 12:</b>				
Severely Disabled	135	119	131	Code 40s (excluding Code 47).
Aboriginal Learners	403	373	-	Self-declared, off reserves & not in the First Nations count above (Codes 331, 332, 333, 334).
English as a Second Language	60	51	17	Codes 301 and 303.
Francisation	-	-	-	Francophone authorities only, Codes 306 and 307.
Mild & Moderate Disabilities/Gifted&Talented	320	299	380	For information purposes only, Code 51-57 and Code 80.
<b>ECS</b>				
<b>Ineligible (unfunded) children</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>Eligible Funded children</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>484</b>	
<b>Total Enrolled Children - ECS</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>485</b>	
<b>Program Hours</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>475</b>	Minimum: 475 Hours
<b>FTE Ratio</b>	<b>0.500</b>	<b>0.500</b>	<b>0.500</b>	Actual hours divided by 950
<b>FTE's Enrolled</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>243</b>	
<b>Of the Total ECS:</b>				
Severely Disabled (Program Unit)	70	67	87	Code 40s.
Mild & Moderate Disabilities/Gifted&Talented	330	325	229	Codes 30 and 80.
English as a Second Language	5	2	-	Codes 301 and 303.
Aboriginal Learners	60	57	-	Self-declared, off reserves & not in the First Nations count above, (Codes 331, 332, 333, 334).
Francisation	-	-	-	Francophone authorities only, Codes 306 and 307.
<b>NOTES:</b>				
1) The # of FTE grade 10-12 students is determined by taking the total # of students' credits / 35; where 35 CEU's = 1 FTE.				
2) Because they are funded separately, Home Education students are not included with total net enrolled students. In the blended program, funding per student is pro-rated on the percentage of the student's program which is taken at school and at home; home education students are assigned a weighting of 0.25 FTE for base funding.				
3) 2006/2007 and 2005/2006 enrolment reported is best information available at time of this 2006/07 budget report preparation.				