



**MINISTER  
OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

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Ms Kerry Macdonald  
President  
Manitoba Library Association  
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Dear Ms Macdonald:

Thank you for your email regarding the closure of the Curriculum Support Centre. As you are aware, after a careful review, the decision was made to close the Curriculum Support Centre on April 1, 2019. We value high quality education in Manitoba and that is why we are modernizing the Curriculum Support Centre for educators from a physical location to an online format, so that resources can be enhanced and will be easily accessible to all teachers across Manitoba. This will bring our system in line with all other provinces.

The Alternate Formats collection for students with visual impairments will remain at 1181 Portage Avenue, while the rest of the print and media collections will be distributed to educational partners such as school divisions, First Nations, and post-secondary institutions. Manitoba parents and educators will be provided information on how to locate materials that are given to other collections so they can make loan requests. This information will be available in the coming weeks after the material distribution has occurred.

Should you have any further questions, you can contact Nancy Girardin, Provincial Resource Consultant, by email at [nancy.girardin@gov.mb.ca](mailto:nancy.girardin@gov.mb.ca) or by phone at 204-945-7722, who can assist educators in finding resources, consult with school libraries, and will also source, organize and recommend new digital resources to enhance our current online collection and support Provincial curricula.

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I encourage you to access more information about Manitoba Education and Training's online resources from our website at <http://mbcsc.edu.gov.mb.ca>. Please know that your feedback has been heard, and we look forward to continuing to our collaboration with parents, schools, and communities in supporting high quality educational programming for all students in Manitoba.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Kelvin Goertzen', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kelvin Goertzen  
Minister  
Education and Training

c. Nancy Girardin, Provincial Resource Consultant, Inclusion Support Branch