



**MINISTER
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TO: School Board Chairs
Superintendents of School Divisions
Principals of Funded Independent Schools

Dear Colleagues:

RE: Enrolment Cap Policy for International Students in Manitoba K-12 Schools

Many schools and school divisions in Manitoba have established international education programs to recruit students from abroad in order to increase the global awareness and intercultural competencies of their domestic students, to diversify the student community, as well as to boost enrolment and tuition revenue.

The *Enrolment Cap Policy for International Students in Manitoba K-12 Schools* reflects new policy effective September 1, 2017. The policy is available online at www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/schools/gts.html. The policy limits the enrolment of international students to no more than 20% of total school enrolment in any one school in a given school year. This is to help ensure that support services and resources specific to the unique language and learning needs of international students are available and accessible. This support is critical to the positive academic, language and life learning of international students in Manitoba schools.

To assist schools in its application, this document contains a definition of "international student" in alignment with the Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada policy for temporary residents and the department's *Funding of Temporary Residents Policy*.

Please arrange for this information to be shared with appropriate school personnel. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to high quality education in Manitoba.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

- c. Manitoba School Boards Association
Manitoba Teachers' Society
Manitoba Association of School Superintendents
Manitoba Association of School Business Officials
Manitoba Federation of Independent Schools