HUTTERITE SCHOOLS

Background

The Division provides educational services to Hutterite colonies within its boundaries. The Division recognizes Hutterite Brethren practices regarding the education of their children.

Procedures

1. General

- 1.1 The Division is to assign teacher(s) to each Hutterite Colony and provide learning that is consistent with schools in the Division.
- 1.2 Programs and curricula are to be consistent with Saskatchewan Education guidelines and be responsive to Hutterite culture.
- 1.3 The Division acknowledges that exemptions in terms of evolution, family life and sex education (reproduction) courses will be given to Hutterite communities upon request. Refer to Administrative Procedure 206 Family Life and Sex Education.

2. The Division is responsible for:

- 2.1 The division will ensure a qualified and certified Saskatchewan teacher(s) at each colony school.
- 2.2 The division supplies learning equipment, textbooks, and all instructional materials consistent with allocations to similar to all schools in the division.
- 2.3 The principal / teacher will be provided a budget to support learning and the purchase of learning resources.
- 2.4 The principal/teacher will consult with the German Teacher on a regular basis to keep the Colony informed about educational learning and purchases. This consultation does not imply a right for the German Teacher to make decisions concerning the expenditure of school funds or delivery of curriculum.
- 2.5 Will provide a photocopier and paper for school activities.
- 2.6 The division will host an annual meeting of Hutterian Colony School leaders (German Teacher, Minister, etc..) to discuss education programs and school operations.

3. The Colony is responsible for:

- 3.1 Each colony is to provide suitable facilities for instruction. All operating and maintenance costs are the responsibility of the colony.
- 3.2 Supply all furnishings for school facility. However, if available, the school division often has excess quality furnishings that can be lent or donated to the colony.
- 3.3 Ensuring the school facility is cleaned regularly and safe for staff and students.

4. Students

- 4.1 All students aged 6 or 5 on September 1 of the current school year shall attend school.
- 4.2 A student may be excused from regular school attendance commencing on their fifteenth (15) birthday.

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 157, Education Act Section 45, School Division Administration Regulation

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