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## **TAAPCS issues response to Alberta's draft K-6 curriculum**

**May 6, 2021, Calgary, AB** – Public charter schools proudly provide educational choice to parents and students within Alberta's public education system. The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools (TAAPCS) supports the progress of education in Alberta and the modernization of curriculum to ensure it delivers the enhanced outcomes Alberta students need to succeed.

TAAPCS and our member public charter schools are committed to working with government and our stakeholders to review the draft K-6 curriculum, and recognize the importance for all educational team members, throughout Alberta's education system, to step forward and responsibly contribute to progress that supports students in any way possible.

*"In just twenty-five months, the Alberta Ministry of Education has practically moved an extraordinary number of difficult and challenging projects forward, using historical investments of all prior governments, with reduced resource levels and restricted budget. The draft K-6 curriculum is a significant aspect of this momentum and Alberta's public charter schools will engage in the critical opportunity to provide feedback on the curriculum in the way most feasible for each public charter school."*

Ron Koper, Chair, TAAPCS

The 2020/21 school year has been an extraordinary one for students and staff and they have been focused on navigating the pressures and challenges of the past year, giving all they can to maintain educational progress of students and the mental well-being of students and staff. TAAPCS and our member charter schools appreciate the many avenues that Alberta Education has opened to participate in this important review and discussion on the historically important changes within the draft K-6 curriculum. The modernization of the K-6 curriculum will be thoughtfully and professionally addressed by all public charter schools, recognizing that innovation and research are among our primary functions.

The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools (TAAPCS) represents Alberta's 13 charter schools, focused on working together to support choice and innovation in public education. Charter Schools are autonomous non-profit public schools, designed to implement unique innovations in the organization and delivery of education, which result in improvements in student learning. For more information visit, [www.taapcs.ca](http://www.taapcs.ca)

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