

## January 23, 2024

Families,

I am writing with an update on Eastern Shore Consolidated School, the new Grade 7 to 12 school in East Chezzetcook that will replace Gaetz Brook Junior High and Eastern Shore District High Schools.

The new school was originally scheduled to open for September 2024. The Nova Scotia Department of Public Works has informed us that the project schedule has been revised. **The school is now expected to be complete in November 2024.** 

Like many construction projects worldwide, several factors have contributed to the delay, including shortages of material, equipment and skilled labour.

Once construction is complete, we will have the school open and ready for learning in early 2025.

I know the community is excited and eager to move into the new building. I can assure you that a team of individuals from both schools will work together to develop a plan to support a smooth transition of students and staff into the new space.

We will continue to provide you with updates on this project in the coming months. You can read more information about the new school <u>here</u>, including the updated <u>Project Status Report</u>.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

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