

**March 12, 2020**

**Re: Student International Trips**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

With the evolving events around the world regarding COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus), it has caused a great deal of concern with respect to international travel.

With information from the World Health Organization, the Government of Canada Travel Advisory, and Alberta Health Services, our **Board of Trustees made a motion today (March 12, 2020) to cancel all international student trips from École Secondaire Notre Dame High School and St. Joseph High School over the March break.**

We feel international travel is an important learning opportunity for our students. However, student and staff safety is paramount in all decision making and we feel that these necessary steps must be taken to ensure such risks are minimized.

We extend our sincere appreciation for your understanding and support through this challenging time.

Yours in Christ,



Anne Marie Watson  
Board Chair  
Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools