

June 3, 2025

Mr. Derek Prohar
Chief Administrative Officer
City of Leduc
1 Alexandra Park
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## Dear Mr. Prohar,

Re: Support for a Shovel-Ready Site for Lede Park New Catholic High School

I am writing to respectfully request the City of Leduc's support in prioritizing the site readiness of the proposed Lede Park New Catholic High School, with the goal of achieving a shovel-ready site by February 2026. This is a critical requirement for the project to be eligible for a capital funding announcement from Alberta Education.

Christ the King High School is not equipped to deliver the trades and technical programming that aligns with the Government of Alberta's focus on skilled workforce development. The new school will address this gap by offering purpose-built facilities that support 21st-century learning, including trades, technology, and flexible academic spaces. As well, our three elementary and junior high schools in Leduc are over 100% capacity. Adding another school will assist STAR with accommodating the growing population in Leduc.

## This project will also:

- Serve Leduc's growing population with expanded access to Catholic secondary education;
- Relieve pressure on existing school infrastructure;
- Create local jobs and economic activity during construction and operation;
- Align with municipal growth and long-term planning priorities.

We also wish to express our sincere appreciation for the opportunity to explore joint use of existing sports fields and the Leduc Recreation Centre (LRC) facilities. This collaboration will enhance student access to high-quality recreational amenities while maximizing the use of public infrastructure for the broader community's benefit.

To meet provincial capital planning requirements, the following deliverables must be substantially complete:

- Site ownership or long-term lease confirmation;
- Environmental and geotechnical assessments;
- Full municipal servicing (water, sewer, road access);
- Zoning compliance and development permit readiness;
- Community support and alignment with local planning frameworks.

In order to meet the Alberta Government requirements, we respectfully ask the city to move forward all related municipal processes and collaborate with St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Schools and Alberta Infrastructure to ensure the site is fully shovel-ready by early 2026.

Thank you for your continued leadership and commitment to supporting educational infrastructure that meets the evolving needs of the Leduc community.

Sincerely,

**Laurie Kardynal** 

**Superintendent (CEO)** 

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Cc: Nick Masvikeni – Secretary Treasurer

Shawn Olson - Director of Engineering and Environment

Donna Tugwood – STAR Catholic Board Chair