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VITAL GRANDIN CATHOLIC SCHOOL RENAMED HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

September 28, 2021 (St. Albert, AB) – Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools’ Board of Trustees approved a motion to change the name of Vital Grandin Catholic School in St. Albert to Holy Family Catholic School during a board meeting held on September 27.

“Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools is a welcoming faith and learning community that welcomes everyone, and the new name, Holy Family Catholic School, now reflects these values,” says Noreen Radford, Board Chair. “We would like to extend our gratitude and appreciation for all of the hard work provided by the committee on this process.”

An ad hoc committee was formed to facilitate the renaming process, following Board Policy 18 – Naming of Schools. The committee combined feedback from stakeholders such as parents, staff, students, Catholic Bishops, and Elders in our Indigenous community. Other names considered were Christ the King, Holy Redeemer, Jesus the Teacher, Our Lady of Reconciliation, and Holy Family.

“It is important for us, as a school community, to have a name that reflects our safe, caring and welcoming learning environment, says Helen Jackson, school Principal. “We are an inclusive, family-oriented school and our new name, Holy Family Catholic School, represents our commitment to building positive, collaborative relationships with our students, families, and our local parish. We are very excited about our future and remain deeply committed to walking the path towards Truth and Reconciliation.”

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Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools serves 6,000 students in the communities of Legal, Morinville, St. Albert and areas of Sturgeon County. A range of programming is available including: Full and half-day kindergarten, French Immersion (K-12), International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, Sports Academy, and integrated learning for students with diverse needs.

