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As you probably know, our families and staff at École Boréal are experiencing very difficult times. We located and talked to all staff members; thankfully, all are safe. Earlier today, we received confirmation that our school was not reached by the flames. Our families have been evacuated to various shelters in the Fort McMurray area and elsewhere in the province. We are heart and soul with our families and personnel at École Boréal in these very trying times.

We have introduced an accommodation plan for housing assistance and school reintegration at Boréal, and at our other schools. We have a special telephone line at our district office from 6am to 23pm to respond to our families' queries. Our priority is to open our other 17 schools to accommodate students from Boréal. Therefore families can call 780-468-6440 ext. 1 or 1-800-248-6886 to communicate their need for supports and to which school we can redirect their children, as required, to continue their school year. Parents can also text us at any time at 780-905-0061.

If you want to host families or staff, or if you have room on your property for a recreational vehicle, please use this online form to let us know: <http://bit.ly/sinistresYMM>

Finally, if you want to donate to help the victims, we invite you to visit the Red Cross website: <http://www.redcross.ca/>

On behalf of Boreal school staff, trustees, administration, thank you for your thoughts and support.

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