



- MEECL recently released its new Manitoba School Leadership Framework. The framework is designed to *'support the development of school leaders while building system cohesion through a common framework, and to promote shared understandings of evidence-based knowledge, skills and behaviours of effective school leadership.'*

The Manitoba School Leadership Framework and more information on the framework can be found here: [Manitoba School Leadership Framework | Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning \(gov.mb.ca\)](https://www.gov.mb.ca/education/leadership-framework)

The framework will help provide focus for the planning of SELT meetings, the planning of the Aspiring Leaders Cohort and will ultimately become part of or replace the SELT Professional Learning Plan.

- The Manitoba Government recently introduced Bill 21, the Public Schools Amendment Act, which lowers the age children are required to attend school and expands the definition of resident pupil. The change to the school age will have minimal impact on Sunrise as nearly all students already attend kindergarten. Expanding the definition of resident pupil to include any student who is living in the catchment area with a responsible adult may have an unknown impact on school populations. More information on Bill 21 can be found here: [The Public Schools Amendment Act \(gov.mb.ca\)](https://www.gov.mb.ca/education/bill-21)

The news release announcing Bill 21 can be found here: [Province of Manitoba | News Releases | Manitoba Government Introduces New Legislation that would Remove Barriers to School Attendance, Help Set Students up for Success](https://www.gov.mb.ca/news-releases/manitoba-government-introduces-new-legislation-that-would-remove-barriers-to-school-attendance-help-set-students-up-for-success)

- On February 26<sup>th</sup> MEECL announced École Powerview School as a Community School, making it one of 48 schools in the province with this designation. Community Schools are identified based on need using a variety of demographic indicators related to the school and community populations. Identified schools receive additional grant money from MEECL in order to provide increased supports to students and families. Additional information can be found at the Community Schools Program website at: [Community Schools Program | Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning \(gov.mb.ca\)](https://www.gov.mb.ca/education/community-schools-program)

The news release with the École Powerview School announcement can be found here: [Province of Manitoba | News Releases | Manitoba Government Helping More Students in Need](https://www.gov.mb.ca/news-releases/manitoba-government-helping-more-students-in-need)

- A solar eclipse will be occurring on Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, between approximately noon and 3:00 pm. While an exciting occurrence and learning opportunity, the solar eclipse does come with hazards as it can be dangerous to view without taking proper precautions. Schools have been provided with information from MEECL and directed to take the necessary precautions with their youngest and most vulnerable students. Schools have also been asked to share information provided by MEECL with students and families, and communicate with families their plans for the day.

Information from MEECL on the solar eclipse can be found here: [Solar Eclipse – Monday, April 8, 2024 \(gov.mb.ca\)](https://www.gov.mb.ca/education/solar-eclipse-monday-april-8-2024), and here: [Solar Eclipse Safety Measures and Viewing Guidance \(gov.mb.ca\)](https://www.gov.mb.ca/education/solar-eclipse-safety-measures-and-viewing-guidance)

- The Sunrise School Division Recruitment Fair will be held on April 4<sup>th</sup> between 9:00 a.m. and noon and between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.