

## SCHOOL SUPPORT FACTS SHEET

- In the Town Of Canmore, both a public and a Roman Catholic separate school district exist in the same area.
- Your declaration of faith will appear on your tax account as well as your Notice of Assessment and Tax Notice. However, all school funds are distributed from the pooled amounts collected by the province and are based on school enrollment. If a declaration of faith is not received, your property will default to 'Undeclared.'
  - ➤ **To declare your faith as 'Separate' on your account**, complete the attached 'School Support Notice Roman Catholic Separate Individual' form. You can submit the completed form to <a href="mailto:taxes@canmore.ca">taxes@canmore.ca</a> or mail ((Town of Canmore Property Tax Department, 902 7th Avenue, Canmore, AB, T1W 3K1)
  - > To declare your support as 'Public' on your account, please submit your written request by email <a href="mailto:taxes@canmore.ca">taxes@canmore.ca</a> or by mail (Town of Canmore Property Tax Department, 902 7th Avenue, Canmore, AB, T1W 3K1) with your property address as well as the name of each owner declaring their support.
- When property is sold or a Title change of any kind occurs, the property will default back to 'Undeclared'.
- Property owners can, at any time, file a new school support notice or change an existing School Support Notice.
- A school support notice filed by a property owner is effective in the taxation year following the year in which the notice is filed.
- Only property owners, not tenants, are entitled to file this School Support Notice.
- If property is owned by more than one owner, the municipality will assign the taxes to the public and Roman Catholic separate school districts in accordance with the percentage of ownership indicated beside the name of each owner.
- In order to ensure that property taxes are directed correctly it is important that all property owners are designated on the school support notice and that the percentage adds up to 100%.
- If there is insufficient space to list all the registered property owners and to make the necessary declarations on the front of the school support notice, please use an extra sheet to indicate the name, address, declaration and percentage of ownership of the additional registered property owners.
- This school support notice applies to all property within the Town Of Canmore owned by individuals whether or not the property owners reside in the Town Of Canmore.
- If this school support notice is not returned to the municipality the individual owner's property would be assessable for public school purposes and the taxes on such property will be directed to the Alberta School Foundation Fund and redistributed on an equal amount per student to public and separate school boards in Alberta.
- Because the Constitution Act establishes Alberta's public and separate school systems on the basis of religion
  (either Protestant or Roman Catholic), school boards and tax collecting authorities are allowed and required to ask
  for the declaration contained in this form.

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## Return the completed form to:

taxes@canmore.ca

OR

Town of Canmore 902 7th Avenue Canmore, AB T1W 3K1 Ph 403-678-1506



## SCHOOL SUPPORT NOTICE ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE INDIVIDUAL

**School Act, Section 156** 

All individuals who own property located in a municipality where both a public school district and a Roman Catholic separate school district exist are required to file this notice when a property is acquired.

An individual may file a notice at any subsequent time.

Consistent with the Constitution Act, 1982 (Canada), the School Act provides:

- 1. That individuals who are Roman Catholic must direct their taxes in support of schools to the Roman Catholic separate school district. A Roman Catholic is defined as an individual who recognizes the Pope as head of the Church (ie: Roman Catholic, Greek Catholic, Ukrainian Catholic etc.)
- 2. That all other individuals must direct their taxes in support of schools to the public school district.
- 3. Where two or more individuals (where one or more is Roman Catholic) own property they must direct their taxes in support of schools to the public school district and the Roman Catholic separate school district in proportion to their ownership. Joint owners are deemed to own property in equal shares, eg: two property owners, one Roman Catholic and the other one is not: 50% Public, 50% Separate; or three property owners, one Roman Catholic and the other two are not: 66.7% Public, 33.3% Separate.

Lot	Block	Plan		Tax Roll Number			
Civic Address ofProperty							
Name of Registered Owner (1)							
Address of Registered Owner (1)							
City				Prov.	Postal Code		
	ed Owner (1) I declare the Roman Catholic Faith	Yes	☐ No		Pecentage of Ownership		
Date		Signature of Registered Owner (1)					
Name of Registered Owner (2)							
Address of Registered Owner (2)							
City				Prov	Postal Code		
	ed Owner (2) I declare the Roman Catholic Faith	Yes	☐ No		Pecentage of Ownership		
Date		Signature of Regis	Signature of Registered Owner (2)				

The personal information collected in this form is collected pursuant to the provisions of S.3(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSA 2000, cF-25 and relevant provisions of the School Act, RSA cS-3 dealing with the assessment of property for the purposes of assessing property taxes accordingly. Should you have any questions regarding this activity, please contact the FOIP Coordinator, Town of Canmore, 902 7th Avenue, Canmore, AB T1W 3K1, (403)