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Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are pleased to let you know that Alberta Education has approved Chinook's Edge School Division for additional modular classrooms that will provide expanded learning spaces at Jessie Duncan School. Rapid growth in the Town of Penhold has resulted in capacity and utilization challenges at all three of our schools, and the addition of four modular classrooms at Jessie Duncan will ease the pressure at each school.

These classroom spaces, and a hallway connection to the south east wing of the school, are expected to be in place by the start of next school year. This expansion will allow Chinook's Edge to move Grade 3 students back to Jessie Duncan School in September 2018 and alleviate the pressures at Penhold Elementary School and Penhold Crossing School, which currently have very high utilization rates.

As a result of this exciting news, the following grade configurations will be in effect at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year:

Jessie Duncan School: Pre-Kindergarten - Grade 3  
Penhold Elementary School: Grades 4-6  
Penhold Crossing Secondary School: Grades 7-12

Our Central Office Leadership Team is working with each Chinook's Edge school in Penhold, to ensure a smooth and positive transition for students, staff and families. We appreciate the patience and support of each school community, as we respond to the changing needs in the growing community of Penhold.

Your child's school will provide updates to you, as they become available. If you have any questions or concerns in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

Kurt Sacher  
Superintendent of Schools