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Dear Director and Board Chair:

The Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) Program is committed to supporting the sector and working constructively and cooperatively with licensed facilities.

As you are aware, Manitoba Regulation 62/86 Section 38(2) and Schedule D and D1 outline the maximum daily fees that may be charged for each child who receives the same type of care. Feedback from the ELCC sector has indicated there is a lack of clarity regarding fees funded ELCC centres, including nursery schools may charge for additional services that are beyond the provision of child care.

I am pleased to provide *Policies and Procedures for Funded Centres: Fees for Additional Services* for greater clarity and consistency throughout the province. Boards of directors are legally in charge and responsible for managing and conducting the affairs of non-profit facilities and are responsible for developing and implementing policies. The board has the authority to decide what services are provided, how those services will be administered and fees that may be charged specifically for those additional services.

The attached policy outlines the circumstances when fees cannot be charged, as well as when a funded facility may charge fees for additional services and the actions to be taken by the facility.

If you have any questions or concerns about this letter, please contact your Child Care Coordinator.

In closing, I want to extend my appreciation for your cooperation as we work towards further improvements to the ELCC system in Manitoba, as well as your continued dedication to children, their families and your community.

Sincerely,

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Acting Director