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## **MUNICIPAL RELATIONS**

## Important Notice to all Chief Administrative Officers

## **The Education Property Tax Rebate**

The Manitoba government has announced a multi-year phased elimination of education property taxes as part of its commitment under the \$2,020 Tax Rollback Guarantee. All property classes are eligible to receive the new Education Property Tax Rebate, including:

- Residential and farm property owners who will receive a rebate of 25% of their education property tax payable in 2021.
- Other property owners (i.e., commercial, industrial, institutional, railways, pipelines, golf courses and sports fields) who will receive a rebate of 10% of their education property taxes payable in 2021.

In addition to the new rebate, all existing education property tax credits and rebates, such as the Education Property Tax Credit Advance, will be proportionately reduced by 25% in 2021.

No rebates will be given in respect of grants in lieu of education property taxes paid by provincial and federal governments and agencies. In addition, rebates will not be provided in respect of supplementary taxes until such time that the changes in assessment are reflected in the regular rolls.

The Province will mail rebate cheques directly to property owners in the month property taxes are due. Information on the education property tax rebate will be shared with property owners through key messaging in the "Important Messages" section of the tax bill, an insert accompanying the tax bill, and additional information with rebate cheques.

A Frequently Asked Questions document addressing operational / administrative questions raised by municipalities will be circulated shortly.

If you have additional questions, please email <u>mrmca@gov.mb.ca</u> or phone 204-945-2572.

Property owners seeking additional information should be encouraged to visit <u>http://www.manitoba.ca/edupropertytax</u> or call Manitoba Government Inquiry at 1-866-626-4862.

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