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## THREE EIPS SCHOOLS GET SET FOR AN INFLUX OF NEW BOOKS THANKS TO INDIGO'S ADOPT A SCHOOL

**Sherwood Park, AB.** — Three schools within Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will soon have an influx of new books added to their learning commons thanks to the 2018 Indigo Adopt a School program—a national initiative to raise money for elementary school libraries. Fort Saskatchewan Elementary, Fultonval Elementary Junior High and Mundare School are among 113 schools in Alberta participating in this year's program.

The Adopt a School program runs from now to October 7 and relies on the support of the community through daily online donations and storytelling—community members are asked to share a story online about the importance of reading. Each story chosen to be featured on the Adopt a School website, earns a \$10 book donation from Indigo to the participating school. Similarly, for every \$20 donated online to a participating school, Indigo donates an additional \$10 book donation to that school to purchase a new book.

"I encourage everyone to share their story and help us build our school library," says Jessica Smith, the Principal of Fort Saskatchewan Elementary. "Improving literacy rates is a key priority at our school and for Elk Island Public Schools. Having a greater variety of both fiction and non-fiction books available will make a huge difference for our students. We want to encourage new ideas, stimulate their minds and keep their interest in reading alive. So, the Adopt a School program allows us to do so."

To donate or share your story, simply visit [www.adoptaschool.indigo.ca/eng/schools](http://www.adoptaschool.indigo.ca/eng/schools). Search for Fort Saskatchewan Elementary, Fultonval Elementary Junior High and Mundare School and select either "Book Bonus" or "Tell a Story, Give a Story." Additional donations for Fort Saskatchewan Elementary can be made at Chapters in St. Albert, which officially adopted the school for this year's Adopt a School program. All donations accepted in-store go toward stocking Fort Saskatchewan Elementary's learning commons with new books.

*EIPS is one of Alberta's largest school divisions, serving approximately 17,150 students in 43 schools. We are proud to be an integral part of our communities, including Sherwood Park, Fort Saskatchewan, Vegreville, Strathcona and Lamont counties and the western portion of the County of Minburn.*

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