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## **Christian Michalik Named Superintendent of Louis Riel School Division**

(WINNIPEG – November 21, 2018) – The Louis Riel School Board is pleased to announce Christian Michalik as the new Superintendent of the Louis Riel School Division, effective January 1, 2019. The School Board made the announcement during their regularly scheduled bi-weekly board meeting at the LRSD Board Office at 900 St. Mary's Avenue on Tuesday, November 20, 2018.

Sandy Nemeth is the Chair of the Louis Riel School Board.

“Christian’s ability to remain focused on the bigger picture, while efficiently and effectively managing the day-to-day challenges ever-present in a large and growing urban school division, will serve the LRSD community extremely well in the coming months and years. His respectful approach to even the most challenging situations, along with his thoughtful decision-making and visionary nature make him a strong, capable, and very effective leader. The Board looks forward to continuing to work collaboratively with Christian in his new role as Superintendent,” says Nemeth.

Michalik had been serving as Acting Superintendent for LRSD and was employed as an Assistant Superintendent for the Division from 2006 to 2017. He began working with the Division as a Director of School & Community Support in 2005.

“I am humbled by the Board’s confidence in my leadership. I’ve been a part of LRSD for many years, and I am honoured to continue this journey of serving the community. Together with LRSD’s larger network of leaders and administrators, we will continue to place the best interests of students at the forefront of everything we do. We are all leaders and followers, and I look forward to learning from my colleagues, students, parents and the wider community as we educate and inspire our students on their learning journey,” says Michalik.

Priorities for the incoming Superintendent include: working with the province to improve the education system via the K to 12 review (set to begin in the New Year); working with the newly elected Board to establish a strategic plan for the next four-year mandate; and continuing to invest in, and prioritize the needs of, all LRSD students as they work to achieve academic outcomes, find employment and contribute to their communities as active citizens.

Michalik replaces outgoing and retiring Superintendent Duane Brothers.

The Louis Riel School Division serves over 15,000 students, along with their parents, and the wider community, at 40 schools in the south-east quadrant of Winnipeg. LRSD aspires to develop caring, literate and capable people who value learning and strive to reach their potential as they pursue the common good. For more information, visit [www.lrsd.net](http://www.lrsd.net) or download [LRSD’s 2017–18 Annual Report to the Community](#). Connect with us on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#).

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