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Recipient Schools Announced for 2019 Mosaic Challenge

REGINA – Ten schools in Saskatchewan will each receive a $10,000 grant to support student nutrition after being selected to win this year's Mosaic Extreme School Makeover Challenge.

"The response to this program continues to grow year over year, which speaks to the need for and interest in making nutrition a daily part of student lives," said Sarah Fedorchuk, Vice-President, Public Affairs and Government Relations at The Mosaic Company. "Helping the world grow the food it needs is our mission at Mosaic, and we look forward to hearing about the efforts of the 10 winning schools as they help connect students with food and nutrition in unique ways."

The grants will support projects that have goals including creating or improving kitchen and garden facilities; enhancing education for students, families and communities about nutrition, food safety, life skills and Indigenous knowledge; aiding in the path toward reconciliation; and, developing or furthering breakfast, snack and other programs.

More than 80 schools from across the province submitted their projects to compete for the total of $100,000 in prizes, provided by Mosaic. Schools receiving grants as part of this year's Mosaic Challenge are part of the Good Spirit, Greater Saskatoon Catholic, Living Sky, Northern Lights, Northwest, Regina Catholic, Regina Public, Saskatoon Public and South East Cornerstone school divisions.

To encourage grassroots initiatives to help improve student nutrition, the Mosaic Challenge began in 2006. Mosaic and the SSBA have continued to partner for the initiative since then.

"School boards across Saskatchewan are very grateful for Mosaic's continued generosity in funding this effort to support nutrition environments," said Dr. Shawn Davidson, president of the SSBA. "We are proud of the success for this exemplary and long-running partnership."

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For a list of the winners, see the backgrounder accompanying this media release.

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BACKGROUNDER

2019 Mosaic Extreme School Makeover Challenge Winners

SCHOOL	PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS
Arcola Community School (Regina) Regina Public School Division	• Provide nutrition and life skills training • Develop cookbooks to share at home • Host family engagement days
Bishop James Mahoney High School (Saskatoon) St. Paul's Catholic School Division	• Teach about food security and choice • Provide workshops to other schools • Grow and prepare healthy food choices
Dr. Brass School (Yorkton) Good Spirit School Division	• Aid in the path toward reconciliation • Implement Indigenous Foods program • Purchase commercial dishwasher
Glaslyn Central School (Glaslyn) Northwest School Division	• Implement new snack program • Empower students to "pay it forward" • Focus on Indigenous teaching via elders
Hillmond Central School (Lloydminster) Northwest School Division	• Start daily universal breakfast program • Implement student cooking club • Provide students Food Safe certification
Marion M. Graham Collegiate (Saskatoon) Saskatoon Public School Division	• Establish community nutrition program • Enhance cooking and life skills training • Purchase appliances and garden
Michael A. Riffel Catholic High School (Regina) Regina Catholic School Division	• Provide life skills and nutrition training • Provide access to healthier foods • Implement food policy
Midale Central School (Midale) South East Cornerstone School Division	• Renovate kitchen and buy equipment • Implement daily programming • Engage parents and community
Spiritwood High School (Spiritwood) Living Sky School Division	• Provide indoor and outdoor gardens • Implement cooking classes • Teach about Indigenous culture
Valley View Community School (Beauval) Northern Lights School Division	• Aid in the path toward reconciliation • Build cooking and cultural space • Teach traditional gathering and prep