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Dear ADM Joseph:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Alberta School Councils' Association, thank you sincerely for your attendance and engagement at our School Council Engagement Opportunity on Saturday, November 23, 2024. Your willingness to actively participate and answer questions from our audience was a highlight of this virtual event.

<https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/about/board-of-directors/virtual-engagement-event>

As indicated that afternoon, I am forwarding four (4) questions (unedited) to you that our attendees had submitted, which remained unanswered due to the time constraints.

- I hear a lot of "if passed" in your talk today regarding bill 27. What assurances can you give us that our lack of support is heard?
- Why is this legislation related to gender diverse children necessary? How does preventing students from using their preferred pronouns at school preserve choice
- Why is the ministry funding new schools for private entities but not funding speech language pathologists or occupational therapists for disabled students?
- Why is the ministry not banning seclusion rooms, and allowing capital funding to include building more in new schools?

When you have a moment, we would be grateful to receive responses to these questions from either you, or an appropriate colleague in the Ministry. Once received, we will post the responses on the Event page of our website.

I look forward to hearing back from you!

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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