

# Keeping our promises. Real progress for education.

Budget 2018 puts Manitoba's economy on the road to recovery and provides a solid plan for making Manitoba the most improved province in Canada.

We're investing in priorities that support a strong education system across Manitoba including:

- investing \$2.8 billion in education and training, the highest amount spent on education in Manitoba history, an increase of \$13.7 million from Budget 2017 including a record investment of \$1.32 billion on kindergarten to Grade 12 education and enhancement to financial supports for post-secondary students;
- confirming the construction of four new schools using an enhanced conventional Public Schools Finance Board approach: Waverley West grades 9 to 12; Seven Oaks kindergarten to Grade 5; Waterford Green kindergarten to Grade 8; and Southeast Brandon kindergarten to Grade 8 to save \$18 million over conventional costs and allow an additional school to be built, Waverley West kindergarten to Grade 8;
- making significant changes to Student Aid to adopt a fixed contribution model and focus on students who need it most, and increasing investments to the Manitoba Bursary Program by \$2.7 million including \$1 million for low-income Indigenous students and \$1.7 million to expand eligibility to students studying at private religious institutions in Manitoba;
- maximizing federal investments in Labour Market and Workforce Development for a total of \$75.86 million in 2018-19, an increase of \$8.9 million from Budget 2017 that will support an expansion of eligibility for employee and training programs to better meet the training needs of Manitoba businesses and workers;
- keeping expenditure growth lower than revenue growth for three straight budgets, the first time this has happened in 15 years; and
- using \$3.5 million in revenues from Manitoba Provincial Nominee Program revenues to offset new grants for immigrants and refugee services through a forthcoming Call for Proposals.