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RDCRS to host their second community engagement session with residents in the Kentwood neighbourhood about St. Lorenzo Ruiz Middle School

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Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools (RDCRS) is looking forward to collaborating with residents in the Kentwood neighbourhood of Red Deer at their second community engagement session, about the design process and construction of the new middle school (Grade 6 to 9), St. Lorenzo Ruiz Middle School.

The second community engagement session will take place on Thursday, May 20 at 5:00 p.m. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

The first community engagement session with Kentwood residents was held on April 6 and provided a forum for community feedback about the overall project design. The first session focused primarily on the site layout of the new school. To view the presentation from the first community engagement session, please visit www.stlorenzoschool.ca.

To date, geotechnical testing has been completed and the results were used in optimizing the site layout. A traffic assessment will be completed in the coming weeks as part of the development permit process. Construction is expected to start in the Fall of 2021, with the school opening September 2023.

As we continue to move further along in the design process of St. Lorenzo Ruiz Middle School, we look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts and receiving input and feedback from community residents.

For more information, or to register for the next community engagement session, please visit <https://www.stlorenzoschool.ca/>. Media are welcome to attend this virtual community engagement meeting.

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