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Communication Plan

Objective and Audience: to provide the Medicine Hat community, other school districts, local and provincial organizations, and local and provincial post-secondary organizations with information about the success and "best practices" of CAPE Charter school.

Key Messages:

- * CAPE is meeting the needs of its students according to the terms of its Charter.
- * CAPE students are achieving their individual goals of academic and personal excellence.
- * CAPE students are successful.
- * CAPE students complete high school in three years.
- * A large number of CAPE students enter post-secondary education.
- * CAPE students are prepared for the world of work, and for lifelong learning.
- * CAPE students model the characteristics of active citizenship.

Action Plan

CAPE will utilize the following avenues to share its effective practices and successes:

- 1. Students are involved within the community and organize fundraisers in support of community, provincial and global charitable organizations.
- 2. Students are featured in the media as guests on local TV and special broadcasts whenever the opportunity arises. The Administration and/or Board of CAPE School also continue to support and grant interviews about CAPE and Charter Schools in general to local, provincial and national news agencies, upon request.
- 3. Student works are published in various contexts including contest publications, the school website and the annual Student Showcase.
- 4. Maintenance of the CAPE website. www.capeisgreat.org
- 5. Information sessions held in conjunction with registrations.
- 6. Open houses held yearly and the community is invited in conjunction with the CAPE School Science Fair or Heritage Fair or the Easter break.
- 7. Staff, students, parents and community focus groups to gather feedback and share information.
- 8. Use of the local media to advertised "CAPE Successes".
- 9. Staff participation in Teachers Convention, TAAPCS conferences, or other professional initiatives.
- 10. Teacher Professional Learning Plans/Action Research published on the CAPE website.
- 11. Publications in CASS Connection and CASSA Leaders & Learners, and any other medium whenever possible.
- 11. Community representation on the CAPE Board and Finance Committee, and CAPE School Council.

- 12. CAPE maintains strong collaborative partnerships with organizations and groups.
- 13. Hosting of practicum students from the Medicine Hat College Teacher Preparation and Teacher Assistant Program, Nursing Program, and/or Office Management Program.
- 14. CAPE is a member of The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools (TAAPCS).
- 15. Hard copies of the Annual Education Report and Education Plans are made available to all local and provincial groups that are stakeholders in education, including community groups, upon request.