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Dear parents,

Today marks an important milestone in Jasper's recovery, as Jasper students, teachers and staff are returning to the classroom at their community school. On behalf of the Government of Alberta and Alberta Education staff, we want to take this opportunity to welcome you and your children back to school and wish you all the best as you head into this school year.

Schools are cornerstones in our communities and an anchor for students. We hope that today's return to class helps you and your children reestablish healthy school routines and reconnect with friends, teachers, and classmates.

Alberta's government has been proud to work side-by-side with the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division to expedite the cleanup process so schools could reopen. We are tremendously grateful to the teachers and staff who have worked hard behind the scenes to prepare their classrooms to welcome students back. We hope you will join us in extending thanks to them all.

Finally, thank you for everything we know you will do to support your children's learning and well-being this school year. Alberta Education and your local school division are committed to walking alongside you to help make this a positive and successful school year for your children. Your school authority has mental health supports in place for students and staff, and you can contact your school principal for information. Recovery Alberta has a list of additional [mental resources](#) available to you and your loved ones. Please reach out if you need help.

Welcome back to school. We wish you and your family all the very best.

Best,

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