

INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICATION

The Application for Direction of School Support form enables any person to apply to have their school support included or revised on the assessment roll by sending the completed form to the Regional Assessment Commissioner. The collection of the information on the form is authorized under the Assessment Act, and any personal information is confidential and protected under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

The information will be used to direct your school taxes; to indicate whether you will be an elector for English-language or French-language school trustees; to prepare voters' lists for municipal and school board elections; to help with municipal and school board planning. Note: Tenants have the right to direct school taxes even though they may not pay taxes directly.

Included below are instructions to help you complete each section of the form. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FORM OR ABOUT SCHOOL SUPPORT, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL PUBLIC OR SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD, OR THE FRENCH-LANGUAGE SCHOOL BOARD.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION

A. IDENTIFICATION

Every person in your household should be listed. Put the family name first, followed by given name(s), and make sure the sex, birth date and citizenship are shown for each person. Owners or tenants should be listed first, followed by spouses, all children, and other occupants.

B. OCCUPANT'S STATUS

There are four parts to this section, and one box in each part should be filled in, showing whether each person is an owner, or a tenant, or a spouse, or a child/boarder/other; where each person lives; whether or not each person is Roman Catholic; and whether or not each person has French-language education rights.

You have French-language education rights if you are a Canadian citizen and can answer "yes" to any one of the following questions: (1) Is French the language you first learned and still understand? (2) Did you receive your elementary school instruction in Canada in French? (This does not include French immersion or French as a second language.) (3) Have any of your children received, or are they now receiving, elementary or secondary school instruction in Canada in French? (This does not include French immersion or French as a second language.)

C. SCHOOL SUPPORT

One box should be filled in for each person, showing whether they are a supporter/elector for the public school board (English language); or the separate school board (English language); or the public sector of the French-language school board; or the Catholic sector of the French-language school board. The requirements to be a supporter/elector for each board are listed below. If a box is not filled in, the person will be shown as a supporter/elector for the public school board (English language). Owners and tenants have the right to be supporters, which means they can direct their school taxes. Everyone who is eligible to vote can be an elector for school board trustees.

ENGLISH-LANGUAGE SCHOOL BOARDS • Supported/Elector

Public - Anyone

Separate - Only Roman Catholics.

FRENCH-LANGUAGE SCHOOL BOARDS - Supporter/Elector

French-Public - Anyone who has French-language education rights.

French-Catholic - Only Roman Catholics who have French-language education rights.

Note: Roman Catholic includes Greek and Ukrainian Catholics.