

Rural and Northern Education Funding

As part of its plan to strengthen rural and northern education, the Ministry of Education announced on June 28, 2017 (Memo 2017: B09) a Rural and Northern Education Funding (RNEF) supplement of \$20 million to enhance the Grants for Student Needs (GSN). The funding allows school boards to improve education for students in rural communities. Each board must publicly report how these funds are used and which schools receive RNEF support.

For 2023-2024, Algoma District School Board had \$833,117 in available deferred revenue and received an in-year allocation of \$299,731 for a total amount of RNEF funding available for use of \$1,132,848.

In 2023-2024, \$546,150 of the board's RNEF Funding was used to support the following schools:

Elementary Schools	Total
Central Algoma Elementary School	\$ 38,335
Echo Bay Public School	\$ 38,449
Greenwood Public School	\$ 40,518
Hornepayne Public School	\$ 62,019
R M Moore Public School	\$ 51,834
St. Joseph Island Central Public School	\$ 41,619

Secondary Schools	Total
Michipicoten High School	\$157,195
Central Algoma Secondary School	\$116,181

These expenses were focused on enhancing school security for lock-downs and hold-and-secures with new telecommunication technology within the schools.

View the Ministry Memo 2017: B09 at the link below.

https://efis.fma.csc.gov.on.ca/faab/Memos/B2017/B09_EN.pdf

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