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### **WinSport statement regarding the future of National Sport school**

CALGARY, Alta. – The Board of Trustees of The Calgary Board of Education voted Wednesday to close the National Sport School (NSS), a 26-year collaboration between WinSport and the Calgary Board of Education (CBE). The school has been based at WinSport's Canada Olympic Park since 2011.

WinSport supports this decision and commends the CBE for providing clarity on this issue so that we can begin negotiations with the Palliser School Division on a plan to secure the long-term future of the school at WinSport. This will ensure the NSS will continue to support Canadian student-athletes for years to come.

“WinSport would like to thank the Board of Trustees of the Calgary Board of Education and the CBE Administration for their ongoing support since the school opened in 1994. We are grateful for the partnership with CBE, which has supported so many Canadian athletes,” says WinSport Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer Phil Graham. “We look forward to working with the CBE to provide a smooth transition for the school to the Palliser School Division and to preserve the opportunity for young student-athletes to achieve academic and athletic success at WinSport.”

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#### **About WinSport**

*WinSport inspires human potential through the spirit of sport. The Calgary Olympic Development Association, operating as WinSport, is a community-based, not-for-profit organization that owns and operates Canada Olympic Park and the Bill Warren Training Centre in Canmore. WinSport also administers legacy funds that support the Olympic Oval. WinSport's mission has three pillars: to help people discover the joy and health benefits of sport; to encourage talented athletes to develop their skills; and to enable Canada's high-performance athletes to excel on the world stage. Financial commitments from Canadian governments and business have allowed WinSport to expand its sport and community offering over time; significant investment will be required in the coming years to renew the legacy facilities that have welcomed the world to the Calgary region for more than a generation.*

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