

# Have your say to strengthen education in Miramar South and Strathmore Park

The Minister has asked our Boards to talk with their communities on the following options for education in this region:

1. Merge Strathmore Community School and Miramar South School on the Strathmore Community School site
2. Merge Strathmore Community School and Miramar South School on the Miramar South School site
3. Another option as proposed by the communities

We'd like to know what you think are the best options for primary education in the Miramar South and Strathmore area and how we can best provide for our students and our community.

**Which school are you associated with?**

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**What is your relationship with that school?**

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Schooling in the  
Miramar South –  
Strathmore region

## Survey

June-July 2011

This questionnaire has been developed by the Boards of Miramar South and Strathmore Community schools to consult with the school communities.

Please answer the questions in this booklet and return the questionnaire to either the Miramar South School Office or Strathmore Community School Office .

You may prefer to post it to:  
Lesley Moffat  
PO Box 17 399  
Wellington 6147

You can also download a copy of the questionnaire from your school websites

[www.strathmorecommunity.school.nz](http://www.strathmorecommunity.school.nz)  
[www.miramarsouth.school.nz](http://www.miramarsouth.school.nz)

to fill in and then return by email to:  
[lesley.moffat@gmail.com](mailto:lesley.moffat@gmail.com)

**Please return by 14 July 2011**

Thank you for your time and ideas.

**1. What is working well in your school that you would like to retain in a future school?**

What do you like about our schools?

*Please write your comments below:*

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**2. In an ideal school, what would you want to see?**

How would you like your children's needs to be met at school? What other educational opportunities would you like our schools to provide?

*Please write your comments below:*

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**3. What do you think needs to happen to make a merger of the two schools succeed?**

*Please write your comments below:*

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**4. Please complete this table with the advantages and disadvantages of the two identified options and for your own Option 3.**

Options	What do you see as the advantages of this option?	What do you see as the disadvantages of this option?
<p><b>Option 1</b> Merge Strathmore Community School and Miramar South School on the Strathmore Community School site</p>		
<p><b>Option 2</b> Merge Strathmore Community School and Miramar South School on the Miramar South School site</p>		
<p><b>Option 3</b> Another option is [please describe]</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>		

5. Do you have any ideas for a name for the merged school?

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6. Are there any other comments you would like to make?

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Your answers will be collated by our independent consultant, Lesley Moffat.

We need to hear back from you because these important decisions will influence how education is shaped in the Miramar South-Strathmore region in the future.

*What next?*

The results of this document and other consultation processes such as views expressed at our community and parent meetings will be summarised in a report to the Ministry of Education. The Minister will make a decision about the next step.

**On behalf of the Boards of Trustees (BOT) of the Miramar South and Strathmore Community schools, thank you for your ideas and feedback.**

**Wayne Lowther**  
**Chairperson**  
**Miramar South School BOT**

**Bill Taylor**  
**Chairperson**  
**Strathmore Community School BOT**

**Please return by 14 July 2011**

