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WALTER ASELTINE PRE-K PROGRAM AMONG THOSE REFERENCED IN PROVINCIAL BUDGET

In Wednesday's provincial budget, the government announced two million dollars for 235 additional licensed day care spaces in schools and 18 new Prekindergarten programs.

Currently Sun West offers Prekindergarten programs at Westberry School in Kindersely, Walter Aseltine School in Rosetown and at Biggar Central School 2000. The Walter Aseltine Program has been in place since January 2010 and is one of the 18 programs referenced in the provincial budget. Sun West will not be receiving additional support to start any other Prekindergarten programs in 2010-11.

Sun West currently does not have licensed day care space in any of its schools. An application through the provincial government's Early Learning and Child Care Initiative, to establish a daycare at Westberry and Elizabeth Schools in Kindersely, was deferred by the Ministry of Education earlier this year, and Sun West has not been provided with any further information about the status of these applications. Sun West, therefore, does not know if any of the additional day care spaces referenced in the provincial budget will be at Westberry or Elizabeth Schools.

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