



Fairview Campus Transition

Information sheet: roles and responsibilities

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Fairview Campus is moving through a phased transition designed to keep learning available now. Ownership of the Fairview Campus is moving from Northwestern Polytechnic to Alberta Infrastructure. Northern Lakes College (NLC) will deliver post-secondary programs and be the *interim* primary leaseholder. The Fairview Regional Campus Society (FRCS) will continue its stewardship role and build readiness to become primary leaseholder, responsible for the financial and day-to-day operation and maintenance of the Fairview Campus. The primary leaseholder responsibilities will transfer from NLC to FRCS based on demonstrated organizational readiness, ensuring Fairview Campus remains a safe and functional community resource operated in a practical and sustainable stewardship model.

Bottom line: FRCS remains the intended long-term steward of Fairview Campus. As a newly established community-led organization, FRCS is building the capacity needed to assume primary leaseholder responsibilities. In the meantime, NLC will serve as the interim primary leaseholder and deliver post-secondary programming so students can continue learning in Fairview.

Roles at a glance

Partner	Current role	Longer-term role
Fairview Regional Campus Society (FRCS)	Steward of the Fairview Campus. As a newly established organization, FRCS is building governance, financial, operational and risk-management capacity required to assume primary leaseholder responsibilities.	Continues as steward of the Fairview Campus. Assumes primary leaseholder responsibilities when readiness criteria are met and approval is in place. Continues to lead the long-term planning for a sustainable future for the campus, including exploring new programs offered by private organizations, other publicly funded post-secondary institutions, and industry partners at the Fairview Campus.
Northern Lakes College (NLC)	Serves as interim primary leaseholder to manage campus operations and delivers approved programming.	Continues as a learning provider.

Advanced Education	Supports FRCS through readiness assessment and targeted, time-limited supports. Supports NLC through funding for current and future program delivery. Actively working to have a new Vet Tech program provider starting in September 2027.	Continues oversight, accountability, and coordination across Alberta's publicly funded post-secondary system.
Alberta Infrastructure	Holds land and buildings and supports property and leaseholder arrangements as the long-term model is developed.	Holds land and buildings and manages property and leaseholder arrangements and accountabilities.
Northwestern Polytechnic	Supports an orderly transition connected to property, assets and programming continuity. Follows a legal, donor-led process for Fairview-related endowments, working with donors to confirm how they would like their donations used while ensuring compliance with donor agreements and charitable obligations.	Continues working with donors until the legal process is completed.

How FRCS and NLC roles fit together

FRCS and NLC have different, but complementary roles. FRCS is a newly established community-led organization designated as the long-term steward of Fairview Campus. NLC provides short-term operational support and delivers approved programming, so students and campus partners have continuity while FRCS continues to develop the organizational capacity needed for future responsibilities.

What readiness includes

Readiness area	What this means
Strategic readiness	Mandate, strategic direction, governance, accountability, financial sustainability, risk management and organizational resilience.
Operational readiness	Administration, human resources, procurement, information management, records, operational continuity and day-to-day supports.



Support for success

- The phased approach gives FRCS time to establish the governance, financial, and operational foundations needed for long-term success as the community-led steward.
- Students can continue to access approved programs and services throughout the transition.
- Advanced Education will continue working with FRCS and NLC to support a successful transition.
- Advanced Education will continue working toward a Vet Tech program starting in Sept. 2027. All Vet Tech equipment remains at the Fairview Campus and will be used by a future Vet Tech public post-secondary provider.
- The long-term sustainability of programming at Fairview Campus will depend on student enrolment, available funding, and program viability, consistent with operations of public post-secondary institutions in Alberta.