The Manitoba Federation of Independent Schools is the umbrella organization for funded, non-profit independent schools in the Province of Manitoba. It represents schools that serve those families in Manitoba that support parental choice and excellence in education.  Member schools reflect the diversity of the Manitoba population: Catholic, Mennonite, Canadian Reformed, Anglican, Baptist, Islamic, Jewish, Lutheran, Seventh – Day Adventist, Sikh, Christian non-denominational and non-faith based, as well as serving many ethnic communities.

**THE MISSION STATEMENT OF THE MFIS:**

To support and encourage high educational standards and the values unique to our various school communities and to represent the interest and concerns of independent schools in Manitoba.

**MFIS GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

* **Represent** its members at all levels of government.
* **Strengthen** the educational mosaic in Manitoba.
* **Encourage** cooperation amongst its schools, together with related educational institutions, organizations, and departments.
* **Support** its member schools in meeting Provincial regulations and mandates.
* **Promote** the place and responsibility of Independent schools in our pluralistic society.
* **Respect** the diverse heritage, culture and faith of member schools.
* **Foster** the pursuit of high moral and academic standards of member schools

**APPLICATION PROCESS OVERVIEW**

1. Candidate Schools must meet the criteria listed below:

* Must be a school or Association located in the Province of Manitoba
* Must be anon-profit operation (*Proof of Documentation Required and included, e.g. Article of Incorporation*)
* Must support the Mission, Goals and Objectives of the MFIS
* Must meet all legislative and regulatory requirements
* Must agree to pay fees annually within 30 days of the invoice

1. The candidate school completes an MFIS Membership Application Form and returns to the Executive Director.
2. The Executive Director reviews the MFIS Application Form and forwards it to the Board of Directors' Governance Committee.
3. The Executive Director and a Board member from MFIS will visit the candidate school.
4. The Governance Committee considers the application and recommends approval to the Board of Directors.
5. The Board of Directors will give final approval.

School Name:

Address:

Phone:   
General Email:

Website:

Year of Founding:

Affiliation:

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Non-faith based

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Faith based denomination: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Mission or value statement**:

**Administrators:**

**Name of School Principal (and title if different from “Principal”)**

Name:

Phone:

Email:

**Vice Principal: (If applicable)**

Name:

Phone:

Email:

**School Board Chair**:

Name:

Phone:

Email:

**Our School meets the following Criteria (Check all that apply)**

\_\_\_\_\_\_ a school or Association located in the Province of Manitoba

\_\_\_\_\_\_ a non-profit operation

\_\_\_\_\_\_ support the Mission, Goals and Objectives of the MFIS

\_\_\_\_\_\_ meet all legislative and regulatory requirements

\_\_\_\_\_\_ agree to pay fees annually within 30 days of the invoice

**Total Enrollment as of September 30, 2020:**

Kindergarten = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grades 1 – 12 = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**MFIS Fees for 2020-2021:**

$9.80 per FTE Membership Fee

.40 cents / FTE – Criterion Film License

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**Principal’s Signature** **Date:**

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**Executive Director (if applicable)**

*Revised November 25, 2020*