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Municipal Leaders Head Back to School With SUMA

Elected officials from 30 Saskatchewan municipalities have headed back to school. From August 12-14, the municipal leaders were at the University of Regina filling their tool kits with new skills, knowledge, and confidence as they built networks with their peers around the province. This educational experience, tailored to the province’s municipal leaders, is hosted by the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA).

“Municipal leaders play a vital role in Saskatchewan’s local governments, and it’s important to SUMA to help equip these officials with the best tools and knowledge available,” said SUMA President Gordon Barnhart, who is also attending as a councillor for the Town of Saltcoats. “We want leaders to be able to fulfill their roles to the very best of their abilities.”

SUMA Summer School brings together mayors, councillors, and reeves to learn about governance and leadership. Leaders were participating in sessions on the council-administration dynamic, asset management, resolving disputes, handling complaints, and more.

Summer School students represent 30 different municipalities:

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| Aberdeen | Asquith | Balgonie |
| Biggar | Borden | Buffalo Narrows |
| RM of Calder | Caronport | Creighton |
| Esterhazy | Gravelbourg | Indian Head |
| Katepwa | Kindersley | Lanigan |
| Leroy | Lumsden | Maple Creek |
| Moose Jaw | Nipawin | Osler |
| Pelican Narrows | Pilot Butte | Star City |
| St. Brieux | Theodore | Warman |
| Weyburn | White City | Yorkton |

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