



# **AREA 2 - RORKETON**

Approximately 500

**Population:** 



Traditional Community Name: None Known



Access: Paved All-Weather Roads



Treaty Territory: Treaty 2



Indigenous Language(s): Anishnaabemowin (Western Ojibwe/Saulteaux Dialect)

#### Location:

Between Lake Dauphin and Lake Manitoba, approximately 333 km northwest of Winnipeg



#### **Rorketon School:**

*Grades:* Nursery to Grade 12 *Enrollment:* Approximately 90 *Staff:* Approximately 22



Average Temperatures:

January High -10 °C Low -19 °C Extreme Low -32 °C June High 23 °C Low 11 °C Extreme High 31 °C

# **ABOUT THE COMMUNITY**

The community of Rorketon is equipped with a community club, concession stand, convenience store, and a local credit union. The community is only a short 30 minute drive away from the nearby settlement of Sainte Rose du Lac, which hosts an IGA and a general hospital.

Rorketon is one of many settler communities that was founded as a benificiary of the signing of Treaty 2 by the Anishinaabe (Ojibwe/Saulteaux) and Ininiwak (Cree) First Nations. The community was named after a local settler, G. A. Rorke, and has been home to various businesses and enterprises over its century long history. In the present day, its primary economic base is in cattle ranching and its associated supports.



## SUBSIDIZED HOUSING IN RORKETON

There are 3-bedroom houses available for staff. They are equipped with a fridge, stove, washer, and dryer. Pets are allowed. Utilities are covered in the rent and Frontier School Division provides maintenance. Cell service and wireless internet are available but must be arranged and paid for by the tenant.

## SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Rorketon School has its very own tipi, which brings with it relevant teachings on its construction and raising for both students and staff. The tipi serves as a place for invited Elders and Knowledge Keepers to share teachings and storytelling with their local community. Beyond that, a staff member who is a local Knowledge Keeper provides students with instruction and relevant teachings on culturally important crafts, such as ribbon skirt / shirt making, beadwork, and more.

#### **REASONS TO JOIN FRONTIER SCHOOL DIVISION**

• Our 39 school communities are populated with friendly people and are located in some of the most scenic areas of the province.

• There are many opportunities to engage with local Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers and to participate in local cultural events and activities.

• Frontier School Division is dedicated to the preservation and revitalization of Indigenous languages and cultures, as well as advancing the calls to action of the Truth and Reconciliation Committee.

• We provide our teachers with PD and other supports to ensure our students receive a quality, inclusive education that includes Indigenous perspectives, local language(s), and cultural programming.

• Frontier School Division has a unique 3-tiered, grassroots governance system to help provide meaningful, appropriate, and locally relevant education in our schools.

• Frontier School Division spans nearly 75% of the province and is organized into 5 Areas.



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