

Honourable Jennifer Whiteside Minister of Mental Health and Addictions Via email: <u>MMHA.Minister@gov.bc.ca</u> December 16, 2022

Dear Minister Whiteside,

On behalf of the Board of Education, our staff and students, we want to thank you for your tremendous leadership and service to our community and province as Minister of Education and Child Care. We have been incredibly fortunate to have had such a strong supporter of public education and champion such as yourself.

Although we faced enormous challenges, your steadfast guidance through the COVID-19 pandemic was an excellent example of resilient leadership. You and Minister Dix focused on children and families and ensured that schools remained open, understanding what an important role teachers have in the lives of their students.

We wish you the very best with your new portfolio.

Sincerely

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Carolyn Broady, Chair West Vancouver Board of Education



December 16, 2022

Honourable Rachna Singh Minister of Education

Email: <a href="mailto:educ.minister@gov.bc.ca">educ.minister@gov.bc.ca</a>

Dear Minister Singh,

Re: Congratulations and Invitation

As the Chair for the West Vancouver Board of Education, I would like to extend our congratulations on your recent appointment as B.C.'s new Minister of Education and Child Care. We share your commitment to excellence in education and know that your past work as a counsellor and community advocate has prepared you to move quickly on priorities that will enhance education for students. In addition, your commitment to anti-racism, and your familiarity with a range of social and economic issues will provide great insight into the changing needs of our students in a rapidly changing world.

I am sure that you know that our community places a very high value on K-12 education, and that strong relationships with community partners contribute enormously to overall student success. As a board we have continued to build on this tradition by working closely with partners both locally and in education to create and maintain one of the best education systems in the world.

We would like to extend an invitation to visit the West Vancouver School District so we can update you with information about our schools and programs, and discuss ways to work together as you assume responsibility for the priorities identified in the Premier's mandate letter.

Arrangements may be made through Superintendent/CEO Chris Kennedy's office by contacting Executive Assistant Karen Leeson by email at: <u>kleeson@wvschools.ca</u> or by phone at 604.981.1031.

We look forward to meeting you and to working with you on education priorities that will benefit families and students of West Vancouver and British Columbia.

Sincerely,

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Carolyn Broady, Chair West Vancouver Board of Education

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