

**Central Okanagan
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November 16, 2023

Via email: mayorandcouncil@westkelownacity.ca

Mayor & Council
City of West Kelowna
2760 Cameron Road
West Kelowna, BC V1Z 2T6

Dear Mayor Milsom,

The Board of Education extends an invitation to the Mayor and Council to meet with the Board in order to discuss matters of mutual interest. It is the Board's belief that an annual meeting benefits the Board and Council, and the community at large.

If there is a willingness to meet, would you please suggest several dates and times that work best for Council (morning, afternoon or evening). The Board would prefer to meet in-person, however we recognize that a Zoom meeting may be required. The meetings have customarily lasted two hours.

Please have your staff contact the Secretary-Treasurer's Executive Assistant at 250-470-3216, or e-mail lise.bradshaw@sd23.bc.ca, to organize scheduling.

Yours sincerely,

Lee-Ann Tiede, Chair
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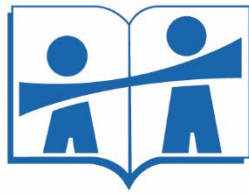
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Via email: legislativeclerk@peachland.ca

Mayor & Council
The District of Peachland
5806 Beach Avenue
Peachland, BC V0H 1X7

Dear Mayor Van Minsel,

The Board of Education extends an invitation to the Mayor and Council to meet with the Board in order to discuss matters of mutual interest. It is the Board's belief that an annual meeting benefits the Board and Council, and the community at large.

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Cayden Jensen, Co-President and Sarah Kovacs, Co-President
District Student Council
c/o Raquel Steen, Assistant Superintendent
1040 Hollywood Road S.
Kelowna, BC V1X 4N2

Dear District Student Council Co-Presidents,

Thank you for inviting Trustees to attend your District Student Council Meetings. We appreciate the opportunity for individual Trustees to meet with you; however, the Board of Education would like to extend an invitation to the District Student Council to meet with the entire Board in order to discuss matters of mutual interest. The Board appreciates hearing the students' perspectives on issues that affect them, and we look forward in finding ways in which we can work together.

If there is a willingness to meet, would you please suggest several dates and times that work best for the District Student Council (morning, afternoon or evening). The Board would prefer to meet in-person, however we recognize that a *Zoom* meeting may be required. The meetings have customarily lasted two hours.

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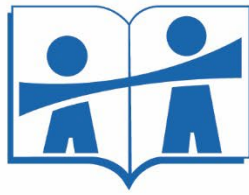
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Via email: dan.ashton.MLA@leg.bc.ca

MLA Dan Ashton
210 – 300 Riverside Drive
Penticton, BC V2A 9C9

Dear MLA Ashton,

The Central Okanagan Board of Education regularly meets with local area MLAs to discuss matters of mutual interest. The Board's belief is that it is important that Trustees liaise with our MLAs in order to share ideas and understand each other's points of view. Although your riding encompasses only a small portion of our School District, the Board believes it is important that we keep in touch.

We realize that schedules are difficult to coordinate and a group meeting may not be possible. School District staff are willing to work with your schedule to find a mutually agreeable time that works for the Board and all four area MLAs, either in a group meeting or individually. Past meetings have lasted approximately two hours.

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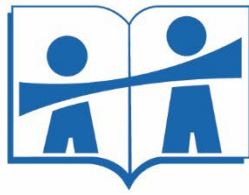
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Via email: norm.letnick.MLA@leg.bc.ca

MLA Norm Letnick
101 – 330 Highway 33
Kelowna, BC V1X 1X9

Dear MLA Letnick,

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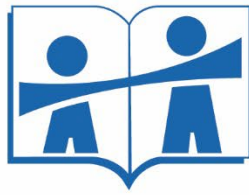
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Via email: Renee.Merrifield.MLA@leg.bc.ca

MLA Renee Merrifield
#102 – 2121 Ethel Street
Kelowna, BC V1Y 2Z6

Dear MLA Merrifield,

The Central Okanagan Board of Education regularly meets with local area MLAs to discuss matters of mutual interest. The Board's belief is that it is important that Trustees liaise with our MLAs in order to share ideas and understand each other's points of view.

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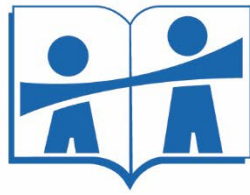
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Via email: ben.stewart.MLA@leg.bc.ca

MLA Ben Stewart
2429 Dobbin Road
West Kelowna, BC V4T 2L4

Dear MLA Stewart,

The Central Okanagan Board of Education regularly meets with local area MLAs to discuss matters of mutual interest. The Board's belief is that it is important that Trustees liaise with our MLAs in order to share ideas and understand each other's points of view. As you are aware, we are experiencing significant growth on the Westside with a new secondary school our top priority. We appreciate all opportunities to work with our MLAs on behalf of our students and communities.

We realize that schedules are difficult to coordinate, and a group meeting may not be possible. School District staff are willing to work with your schedule to find a mutually agreeable time that works for the Board and all four area MLAs, either in a group meeting or individually. Past meetings have lasted approximately two hours.

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Via email: Dan.Albas@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Dan Albas, Member of Parliament
2562B Main Street
West Kelowna, BC V4T 2N5

Dear Mr. Albas,

While the Board of Education deals primarily with Provincial Members of the Legislative Assembly, there have been occasions where the Board has worked with local Members of Parliament on community issues affecting our students. We have always appreciated your approachability when there was a need to discuss matters of mutual interest and look forward to working with you in the future.

We realize that schedules are difficult to coordinate and unfortunately we were unable to coordinate a meeting this past year. If there is a willingness and opportunity to meet in the months ahead, please contact our Secretary-Treasurer's Executive Assistant at 250-470-3216, or by e-mail lise.bradshaw@sd23.bc.ca, to organize scheduling.

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Via email: Tracy.Gray@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Tracy Gray, Member of Parliament
Suite 102, 1420 St. Paul Street
Kelowna, BC V1Y 2E6

Dear Ms. Gray,

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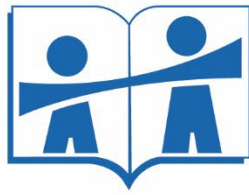
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Via email: officeofcouncil@wfn.ca

Chief Robert Louie and Councillors
Westbank First Nation
301 - 515 Highway 97 South
West Kelowna, BC V1Z 3J2

Dear Chief Louie,

The Board of Education would like to extend an invitation to Westbank First Nation Chief and Council to meet with the Board of Education in order to discuss matters of mutual interest.

We realize that schedules are difficult to coordinate. If there is a willingness to meet, would you please suggest several dates and times that would work best for Council (morning, afternoon or evening). The Board would prefer to meet in-person, however we recognize that a Zoom meeting may be required. The meetings have customarily lasted two hours. Please contact our Secretary-Treasurer's Executive Assistant at 250-470-3216, or by e-mail lise.bradshaw@sd23.bc.ca, to organize scheduling.

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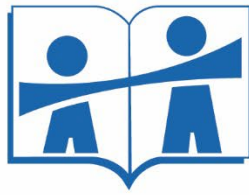
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Via email: copac.president@sd23.bc.ca

Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council
c/o 1040 Hollywood Road S.
Kelowna, BC V1X 4N2

Attention: Nicola Baker, COPAC President

Dear Nicola,

The Board of Education would like to extend an invitation to you and the COPAC Executive to meet with the Board to discuss matters of mutual interest. The Board of Education believes the perspectives of parents is important and values the advisory role of District Parent Advisory Councils as defined in the BC School Act.

If there is a willingness to meet, please suggest several dates and times that work best for the COPAC Executive (morning, afternoon or evening). The meetings have customarily lasted two hours. The Board would prefer to meet in person.

Please contact the Secretary-Treasurer's office at 250-470-3216, or e-mail lise.bradshaw@sd23.bc.ca to finalize the details.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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