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Dear School Trustees

Despite recent investments, parents continue to struggle without the affordable, quality childcare they need to support their family. Every day this childcare is not available, families in our community fall further behind.

The public delivery of before- and after-school care in schools—known as “the seamless day”—is the most effective solution to the shortage of school-age childcare spaces.

Pilot programs across the province have shown that school districts can use their existing classrooms and staff to offer much-needed childcare for kids who are already part of their school community.

This model of in-house, classroom-based care means improved accessibility and fewer transitions for kids, enhanced and education-focused care, more secure and reliable childcare for parents, new opportunities to recruit and retain education assistants, and increased investment in our public schools.

I am asking that our trustees take immediate action to implement this model of classroom-based, in-house seamless childcare in schools across our school district.

Thank you,
Jason O'Farrel
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