

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## NAME THE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Kelowna, BC – Central Okanagan Public Schools is seeking suggestions from the community to name a new middle school in the Lake Country area. Currently known as Lake Country Middle School, the facility will serve grade 6 to 8 students in the area. Construction will begin in the Spring of 2019.

"It's important that we ask the community to help name this school," says Moyra Baxter, Chairperson of the Board of Education. "The name will reflect the area and its residents, which will increase the community's sense of ownership and identification with the school."

Superintendent of Schools/CEO for Central Okanagan Public Schools Kevin Kaardal explains that it is important to name the school early in the process.

"Naming the school prior to its opening guides all of us," says Kaardal. "Having a permanent name in place during construction helps us plan with purpose and supports the development of a vision to meet the needs of every learner who will benefit from the new school."

Until September 28<sup>th</sup>, the public can submit their written suggestions to the School Board Office or participate in an online survey at:

https://sd23survey.sd23.bc.ca/NamingofLakeCountryMiddleSchool.aspx

For comments, please contact:

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