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A Message from BCPVPA President David DeRosa

Chapter Council

Earlier this week, you received our brief on the November 23-24 President's Meeting, Chapter Council and AGM. The sessions were informative, and we introduced a lot of content that reps will bring back to your local meetings. I'm eager to hear from you if you have any questions!

One feature of the sessions that we can't reproduce in a report was the experience of real-time feedback that we introduced. Some of you know that I'm a lover of tech, and we decided to elevate the traditional table-talk and flip-chart documentation to a new level. We used [sli.do](#) for quick in-room polls where we could all track the emerging responses, and a new back-channel of [Better Educate](#) – BackBEat Channel – where Directors could moderate table-talk discussions and instantly share commentary from the table groups.

What these platforms brought to our discussions was an immediacy and sharing that was effective: we were able to identify common questions quickly and provide answers. With the pace and complexity of the work we do every day in our schools, we may sometimes feel like we're not coming together as easily as we should in our team meetings. Introducing this kind of interactivity can help teams to hone in on the pressure points and key issues in a nimble and direct way. It's easy to feel overwhelmed by technology but remember that you're the one in control. Think about the technological supports that are available to you, and how you could use them to achieve specific goals that will enhance your connectivity with your students and your teams.

Take Care,
David

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BCPVPA Updates

David's Highlights

- *November 26 - K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Meeting*
- *November 28 - SD75 Mission Chapter Visit*
- *November 30 - BCSTA 2018 Trustee Academy*

Coming Up

- *December 3 – Meeting with Miriam Miller, Yale University: THE RULER Approach to Social and Emotional Learning*
- *December 6-7 - SD70 Alberni Chapter Visit*

NEW

BCPVPA – 2018 Scholarship Recipients

The BCPVPA annually awards up to 20 scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each, to students who are graduating from the BC public school system and will proceed to a post-secondary institution.

[Find out more](#)

Short Course I: Inspiring Early Career Leaders – July 2 – 6, 2019

UBC

This five-day program for new and nearly-new Principals & Vice-Principals is framed by the *Leadership Standards* and provides a foundation for the applicable skills and knowledge through experiential reflection.

Space is limited!

Registration opens **January 7, 2019**

[Find Out More](#)

Contact kim@bcpvpa.bc.ca

Short Course II: Igniting Mid-Career Leaders – July 9 – 12, 2019

UBC Okanagan

In conjunction with BCSSA and with the support of the Ministry of Education

This four-day summit for established Principals & Vice-Principals is a professional learning experience designed to inspire collaborative inquiry and innovation and foster transformative learning in schools.

Registration is limited to 50 participants, and opens **January 7, 2019**

[Find Out More](#)

Contact kim@bcpvpa.bc.ca

Leading a Culture of Learning: Level 1

Leading a Culture of Learning: Level 1 is an eight-month learning experience supporting leading learning through focused dialogue that is grounded in a clear vision, all to enhance a culture of learning in your school.

2019/2020 cohorts in Metro Vancouver and Salmon Arm

Registration opens **January 7, 2019**

[Find out more](#)

Contact kim@bcpvpa.bc.ca

Leading a Culture of Learning: Level 2

Leading a Culture of Learning Level 2 is a five-day program over seven months that offers a practical extension to LCL 1.

2019/2020 cohorts in Metro Vancouver and Comox

Registration opens **January 7, 2019**

[Find out more](#)

Contact kim@bcpvpa.bc.ca

Update: Spirals of Inquiry

10,000 copies later ... the Judy Halbert/Linda Kaser book, "Spirals of Inquiry" is now sold out!

A percentage of book sales has supported the [Aboriginal Enhancement Schools Network](#).

Judy Halbert and Linda Kaser are working on a new book, and we'll keep BCPVPA members updated once it is available

Save the Date - 2019 Connecting Leaders Conference

Thursday October 24 – Saturday October 26, 2019

Penticton Lakeside Resort & Conference Centre

Theme - *Cultivating a Climate of Leadership*

Keynote speakers - [Peter DeWitt](#), [Gabrielle Scrimshaw](#) and [Dr. John Chenoweth](#).

[Find out more](#)

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Member & Partner News

LEAP (Leading Educators Around the Planet)

International Peer Shadowing Leadership Program for Educational Leaders

Apply to participate in the 2019 LEAP program:

Canadian participants billet with Australian colleagues July 21 - 31, 2019 *and* Canadian participants host Australian colleagues in your home and school from September 29 - October 9, 2019

Download the [application form](#) and visit aleap4principals.com.au

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Careers

NEW

SD 44, North Vancouver

Director of Instruction

Closing date is November 30, 2018 at 4:00pm

bit.ly/2B5yk6u

NEW

SD 40, New Westminster

Elementary Principal

Closing date is December 10, 2018

bit.ly/2ONVaYa

Okanagan Indian Band Cultural Immersion School

Principal

Position will remain open until filled

bit.ly/2z3kYWj

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The Deputy Minister's Bulletin

NEW

FOR INFORMATION ITEMS

FOR INFO, INCLUSIVE EDUCATION DISTRICT PRINCIPALS/COORDINATORS, TEACHERS & EDUCATION ASSISTANTS – Inclusive Education Video Series: The Ministry has partnered with author and inclusive education thought leader Shelley Moore to create a series of short videos designed to support educators in a diverse learning environment. Please visit the [Inclusive Education video series web page](#) to see the first two videos, *Inclusive Education-Introduction* and *Episode 1: Evolution of Inclusion*. Additional videos will be posted throughout the 2018/19 school year as they are completed.

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS & BOARD CHAIRS – Consultation Requirements Regarding the Development and Delivery of Special Education Services: The Ministry would like to remind boards of education of their responsibility to consult with parent(s) or guardian(s) regarding the development and delivery of special education services for students who require them. Consultation on the educational plan needs to demonstrate that those providing the education have the training and expertise to best meet the child's needs. For more information please see Sections B2 and C1 of the [Special Education Services: A Manual of Policies, Procedures and Guidelines](#).

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS – Notification of Certificate Suspension: Pursuant to section 55 of the *Teachers Act*, boards of education have been notified that Olivier Simon Adrien Guy Ouellette's certificate was suspended for one day, which took effect on November 21, 2018. For details, please visit the [Teacher Regulation Branch's web page](#).

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS, SECRETARY-TREASURERS & HR COORDINATORS – Teach in B.C. Video: The BC Public School Employers' Association and the BC School Superintendents Association have collaborated on the development of a video to promote teacher recruitment and retention. [Watch the Teach in B.C. video](#) to see how teachers from across Canada and around the world can make a future for themselves and their families by joining B.C.'s world-class public education system.

FOR INFO, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS – November 2018 Language Arts 12 Provincial Examination Results: The [November 2018 provincial exam results for Language Arts 12 \(LA 12\)](#) are now available on the School Secure Web.

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS, PRINCIPALS & VICE-PRINCIPALS – Mental Health Conference: Save the Date: The ministries of Education, Mental Health and Addictions, Children and Family Development, and Health will be hosting the 2nd Annual Mental Health Conference on February 4-5, 2019 in Vancouver. District teams, Indigenous partners, and community and education partners will be invited to address leading mentally healthy schools in B.C. More information on the conference, including how to register, will be provided in a future edition of the DM Bulletin.

OPPORTUNITIES

FOR SUPERINTENDENTS, SECRETARY-TREASURERS, PRINCIPALS & VICE-PRINCIPALS – B.C. Offshore Schools Inspectors Wanted: The Ministry is looking to add a maximum of 25 qualified individuals to its existing Qualified Suppliers List for Inspector - B.C. Offshore Schools. Please see the attached [Request for Qualifications for Inspector - BC Independent and Offshore Schools](#) for more information, and share this opportunity with your colleagues who might be interested in joining the Offshore Schools Inspection Team.

FOR SUPERINTENDENTS, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS & TEACHERS – 2019 Prime Minister's Awards Competition Now Open: The Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence recognize inspirational educators on their excellence and innovation in teaching practices, and for their commitment to preparing students for a digital and innovation-based economy. For more information on how to nominate a teacher for the 2019 Awards, please visit the [Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence website](#). The deadline for applications is January 14, 2019.

FOR GRADES 7-9 TEACHERS – Canada's Coolest Trip Contest: From June 3-7, 2019, one lucky class will go on a 5-day all-expenses-paid trip of a lifetime to Parks Canada places in Manitoba. To enter, classes must create a photo essay about a cultural, historical or environmental stewardship project that they took part in, explaining how it relates to Parks Canada. Entries will be accepted until February 22, 2019. Visit the [Canada's Coolest Trip Contest website](#) for more information.

NEWS RELEASES

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION: [Growing investment will get Surrey students out of portables, into classrooms](#)

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