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A Message from BCPVPA President David DeRosa

BCPVPA Partnership Awards

Remarkable things happen in schools every day. Teachers go the extra mile to coach teams, a local group donates some much-needed equipment, parents fundraise for special events, volunteers fill needs as they emerge, and school leaders spend every moment trying to create the best environment and experience for students and staff. It's not a cliché: it takes a community to support a school.

For nearly two decades, the BCPVPA has presented the annual Partnership Awards as an acknowledgement of the extraordinary efforts of individuals and groups in our communities who commit deeply to local public schools. Nominations come from our sixty Chapters across the province, and while the range and scope of the support provided is broad, the intent remains focused: it's all about the students.

I am honoured to be at Chapter Council tonight with six Award recipients whose generosity will have a lasting effect on so many students. Some of the contributions are in the form of mentoring new skills, some in supporting vulnerable youth and families, and some in enhancing learning and looking ahead. These six recipients are representative of the support that each of our members encounters in our schools

and while we can't acknowledge everyone with an award, it's a good time to reflect upon what we can do to say thank you in a less formal way each day.

Take Care,
David

David's Highlights

- *April 27 – BC Student Voice Spring 2019 Forum Presentation*
- *April 28-29 – BetterEducate Train the Trainer*
- *May 1 - Graduation Assessment (Literacy 12) Working Group*
- *May 2 - Webinar: Workplace Culture - Support Employee Mental Health*
- *May 3 – BCPVPA Board of Directors Meeting*
- *May 3 – Chapter Council Meeting*

On the Horizon

- *May 4 – PSAANS Meeting*
- *May 5-7 – CAPSLE 2019*
- *May 7 - Post-CAPSLE Association Forum*
- *May 8 – K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Meeting*
- *May 8 - K-12 SOGI Collaborative Follow-up*
- *May 9 - BCPVPA Offshore Schools Leadership Development Program - Webinar #1*
- *May 10 – MhiS Leadership Team Meeting*
- *May 10 - Advisory Committee for Enhancing Student Learning*

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This Week's Highlight



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Candidates for President-Elect and 5 Directors

BCPVPA members elect a President-Elect and five Directors in upcoming June 2019 elections, with the successful candidates taking their roles July 1.

The following is a list of the declared candidates (in alphabetical order):

President-Elect

Darren Danyluk (SD6, Rocky Mountain) – *current Director*

Brian Leonard (SD43, Coquitlam) – *current Director*

Director

Joanne Beddoes (SD8, Kootenay Lake)

Susan Clough (SD36, Surrey) – *current Director*

Carmen Eberle (SD35, Langley)

Bev Forster (SD54, Bulkley Valley)

Read Jorgensen (SD61, Victoria)

Jann Schmidt (SD8, Kootenay Lake)

Jonathan Weresch (SD39, Vancouver)

Sally Zryd (SD73, Kamloops-Thompson) – *current Director*

Steve Dalla Lana (SD57, Prince George) has withdrawn his nomination due to family health reasons

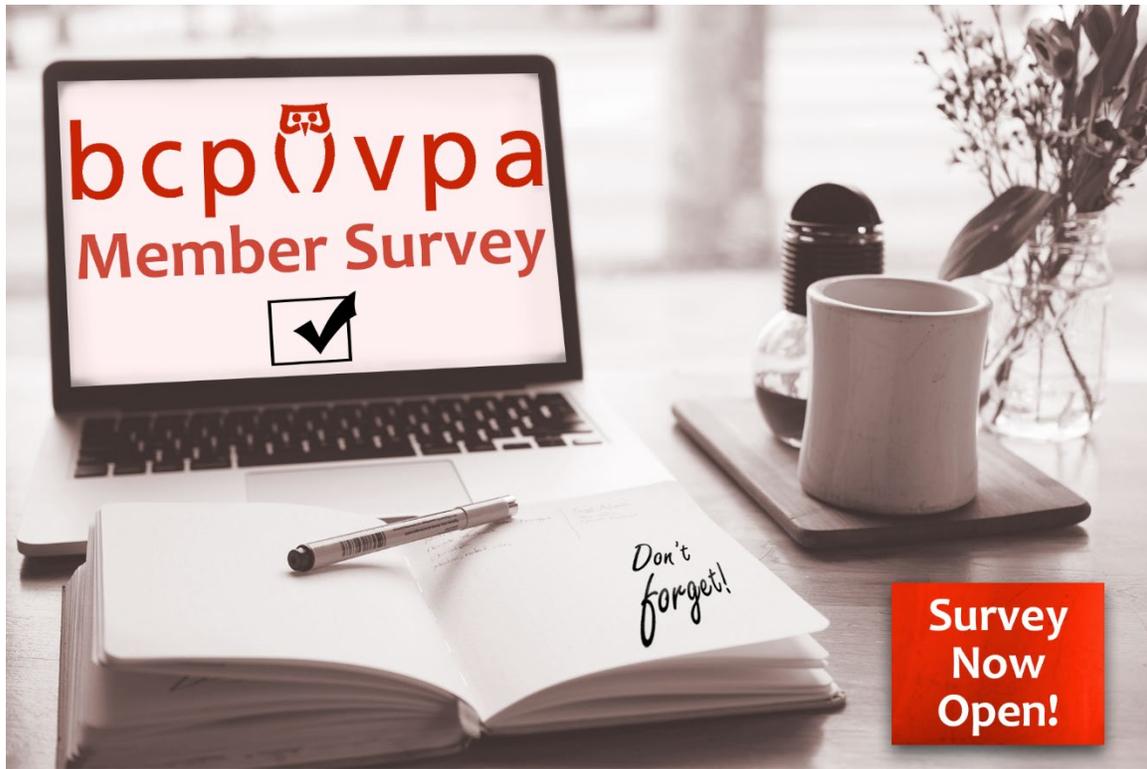
Candidate statements will be issued to BCPVPA members and posted on the website during the week of May 6.

Questions about the election process?

Visit bcpvpa.bc.ca/elections, or contact sandra@bcpvpa.bc.ca

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BCPVPA Updates



We want to know you better!

The 2019 BCPVPA Member Survey is open: follow the link in the April 15 email from David DeRosa.

The BCPVPA surveys our membership every three years so that we better understand changes in our membership and the conditions of your work. In each of the previous surveys, the response rates were in the range of **50%** which is considered a very robust response rate – *two weeks into the survey, our response rates are lower than at the same point in 2016*. We hope that you can take the time to share your feedback with us soon!

The information that we gather helps us to better support our members, and to advocate for you with the Ministry of Education, school boards and the public. Each survey cycle allows for comparisons with past responses, to identify the differences through gathered data.

And don't forget: there are prizes! Will you be the lucky winner of one of three \$200 Indigo cards? Find out more when you visit the link in the April 15 email.

[Webinars now online](#)

BCPVPA April 2019 Webinar Series

Thanks to everyone who attended one or more webinars in this series! The webinars are now available at bcpvpa.bc.ca/webinars.

[Registration is now open](#)

Leading the Way: Women in Leadership Luncheon

Saturday September 21 at Capilano Golf and Country Club

Guest speakers: Judge Joanne Challenger, Dianne Turner

[Registration](#)

[Information](#)

Targeted Feedback Institute

August 20 & 21 at the VSB Office, 1580 West Broadway

Facilitated by University of Washington Center for Educational Leadership

This institute is a deep dive into a process of dialogue and feedback with the specific focus on instruction. You will engage with structures and strategies based on a framework of teaching and learning that is explored in *Leading a Culture of Learning 2*.

All are welcome to a maximum of 50 participants.

[Registration](#)

[Information](#)

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

UBC

Registration is open for this five-day program for new and nearly-new Principals & Vice-Principals, framed by the *Leadership Standards* and providing a foundation for the applicable skills and knowledge through experiential reflection.

Space is limited

[Register](#)

[Information](#)

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Short Course II: Igniting Mid-Career Leaders – July 3-6, 2019

UBC Okanagan

In conjunction with UBCO

Join us for four days of the SCII Summit which sets the foundation for individual learning embedded in the upcoming school year. The Summit is grounded in the OECD principles and the First Peoples Principles of Learning and presents an opportunity to interact with colleagues, and world-class thought leaders in education and business.

Registration is limited to 50 participants.

[Registration](#)

[Information](#)

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Connecting Leaders 2019

Cultivating a Climate of Leadership

Thursday October 24 – Saturday October 26, 2019

Penticton Lakeside Resort & Conference Centre

Theme - *Cultivating a Climate of Leadership*

We are finalizing our conference content and schedules, and we will be opening registration for the 2019 Connecting Leaders conference soon: watch for updates in eNews, through our social media platforms and on the [BCPVPA website](#).

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

[Find out more](#)

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, BCPVPA office:

LCL Level 1 – Day 1: Monday, August 26, 2019

LCL Level 1 – Day 2: Tuesday, August 27, 2019

LCL Level 1 – Day 3: Monday, November 4, 2019

LCL Level 1 – Day 4: Wednesday, February 12, 2020

LCL Level 1 – Day 5: Monday, April 27, 2020

2019/2020 cohorts in Salmon Arm:

LCL Level 1 – Day 1: Friday, October 18, 2019

LCL Level 1 – Day 2: Saturday, October 19, 2019

LCL Level 1 – Day 3: Friday, November 15, 2019

LCL Level 1 – Day 4: Friday, February 7, 2020

LCL Level 1 – Day 5: Monday, April 20, 2020

[Register here](#)

[Find out more](#)

Contact amorie@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

[Register here](#)

[Find out more](#)

Contact amorie@bcpvpa.bc.ca

BCPVPA Leadership Standards Review: Update

A committee of 12 BCPVPA members has been working through 2019 to review, revise and renew the BCPVPA Leadership Standards. While the general framework of the Leadership Standards has been maintained, there are significant content changes which reflect the intentions of the current BC Curriculum. Inclusion and the First Peoples Principles of Learning were at the forefront of committee dialogue, and both are incorporated into the revisions.

We anticipate that the final document will be published and uploaded to BetterEducate July 2019.

If you are considering updating or establishing your growth plan based on the Standards for 2019-2020, we suggest that you wait for the new document as you will find there are considerable changes in both the Action Statements and Reflective Questions. All current growth plans will be maintained in BetterEducate.

BCPVPA Student Scholarships: Applications Open

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. Visit bcpvpa.bc.ca/student-scholarships to find out more.

BetterEducate

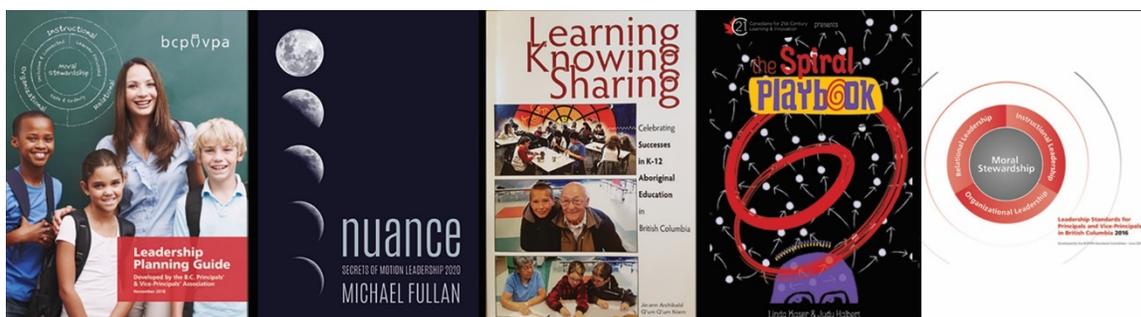
Who do you know on BetterEducate?

We currently have more than 1600 BCPVPA members who are active on Better Educate: [find out more about the platform](#) and consider signing up as a BCPVPA member.

[Visit the site](#), click on the BCPVPA members icon and sign up for your free membership with the promo code **Bcpvpa123**.

BCPVPA Publications

Have you visited our updated [publications](#) link?



Find out about the revised **BCPVPA Leadership Planning Guide** (*formerly the Start Smart Planning Guide*) – you can pick up your own spiral-bound copy for **\$50**, and a version is now available for your [online reference](#). You can also find out more about **Nuance by Michael Fullan**, a joint publication with Corwin Press and the Ontario Principals' Council. Pick up Nuance for **\$30**, available from the BCPVPA office and at upcoming BCPVPA events.

Reminder

If you have a new address, school or role, or if you have a question for our team, please use our online [contact forms](#)

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Member & Partner News

ACE 2019

Adult Centred Education Conference

May 16 & 17, Coquitlam BC

A conference intended for anyone who considers themselves an Adult Educator, who teaches, instructs, professes, educates or otherwise engages adult learners.

Keynote: Linden MacIntyre

aceconference.net

Electrical Safety Day

Safety is an important lesson for students of all ages, and that includes safety around electricity. May 16 is Electrical Safety Day, province-wide. This year, there are multiple interactive activities to ensure the content is relevant from Kindergarten to grade 12. These online lessons will teach students how to stay safe around electricity in a fun and engaging way. They're completely free and the content ties in with the core competencies of the BC curriculum. All you need is a Power Smart for Schools account – free and simple to register.

[Find out more](#)

Inquiry & Innovation for School & System Leaders

July 4 – 5, UBC Vancouver

Making inquiry-informed and innovative practices a way of life

Judy Halbert and Linda Kaser lead this Summer Institute for teachers, Principals, Indigenous cultural workers and district leaders interested in making inquiry-informed and innovative practices a way of life in your schools.

[Information and registration](#)

UBC - SOGI Summer Institutes

August 16 -19, 2021

These two-day SOGI intensives in Vancouver, Kelowna and Nelson are designed for district leads, teachers, counsellors and administrators who work in K-12 and want to make their schools and classrooms more SOGI inclusive. All three will feature amazing guest speakers and local experts for educators to connect with. Costs include ready-to-use materials and resources. Register early, as the course has sold out the past two years:

UBC Faculty of Education – Vancouver: [registration](#)

UBC Okanagan – Kelowna: [registration](#)

UBC Faculty of Education - Nelson: [registration](#)

International Confederation of Principals Convention

August 16 -19, 2021

The Ontario Principals' Council (OPC) will host the 15th Biennial ICP Convention, a unique event that will provide opportunities for school and system leaders to network, collaborate and share practice that will enhance outcomes for students.

[Visit the early registration site](#)

UBC Faculty of Education: Summer Institutes

Every summer, the UBC Faculty of Education offers a variety of short, intensive courses in a variety of topic areas.

These summer institutes are developed based on the needs addressed by both program alumni and school advisors, changes in the education landscape, and the expertise of our faculty members.

[Find out more](#)

Trip to Nanjing, Jiangsu Province

BCPVPA members are invited to join a subsidized trip to Nanjing, Jiangsu Province, China. The Jiangsu Provincial Government and their Canadian representative Tianjiao Education invite members of the BCPVPA, Superintendents, Assistant Superintendents, Directors, and choir and band teachers to visit Nanjing, China this July. The provincial government will cover the costs of accommodations, tours activities and some meals during the 5-day visit. Their hope is that in the future, music teachers will consider this province as a possible location for band and choir

tours and exchanges. There is also an option to add Beijing and Shanghai as to the tour.

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Johnson Insurance – Scholarship Program 2019

Johnson Insurance is proud to offer [50 scholarships](#), valued at \$1000 each, to students completing high school in 2019 and starting post-secondary education in the Fall. [Find out more.](#)

BCRPVPA Scholarships

The BC Retired PVPA annually awards up to five \$1000 scholarships to students who are graduating from the BC public school system and who will proceed to an accredited post-secondary institution in Canada. Students can apply to BC Retired PVPA Scholarships even if they have applied for a scholarship with the BCPVPA.

Completed applications must be postmarked by September 30.

[Find out more](#)

BCRPVPA Book Sale

The BC Retired PVPA runs a used-book sale during the Short Course at UBC in July. The money raised supports the BCRPVPA Scholarship Fund. Education and Leadership books that have been published recently (2010 onwards) and are in good condition are welcome. Also in demand are field-related 'classic' books (ones that you believe everyone in a leadership position should read).

Books can be dropped off at the BCPVPA office during June. Please label your donations: BCRPVPA USED BOOK SALE

BCRPVPA Mentorship Opportunities

The trouble with retirement is that you never get a day off – Abe Lemons

Are you or a colleague thinking of retirement soon? Please check the BC Retired Principals' & Vice-Principals' Association [website](#) for benefits offered to retired members, such as affinity, health & travel insurance, prestige coverage, pensions & other topics of interest, and you will also find a mail-in application form on the site.

The BCRPVPA looks forward to hearing from you if retirement is in your near future!

[Contact us](#)

Legacy Schools: Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Fund

The DWF Legacy Schools program is an opportunity for classrooms/schools to lead the movement in awareness of the history and impact of the Residential School System on Indigenous Peoples. Educators can use a Legacy Schools Toolkit and educational support resources to engage students, staff and the school community, and as the catalyst for their commitment to the work of reconciliation.

[Find out more](#)

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 82, Coast Mountains

Vice-Principal positions

Closing date is May 10, 2019

[Find out more](#)

NEW

SD 82, Coast Mountains

Principal, Majagaleehl Gali Aks Elementary School

Closing date is May 10, 2019

[Find out more](#)

SD 6, Rocky Mountain
Principal (Nicholson Elementary School)
Closing date is May 8, 2019
[Find out more](#)

SD 44, North Vancouver
Director of Artists for Kids
Closing date is May 10, 2019
bit.ly/2vcaBOU

SD 75, Mission
Principal
Ongoing
bit.ly/2FEPuJi

Okanagan Indian Band Cultural Immersion School
Principal and Education Lead
Ongoing
bit.ly/2z3kYWj

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The Deputy Minister's Bulletin

- May 10 - [Student Data Collection \(1701\) - May](#)
- May 15 - [Annual Practice Fee](#)
- May 15 - [Student Learning Survey](#)
- May 31 - [Distributed Learning Agreement](#)
- May 31 - [Skills Training Access Grants - Final Report](#)
- May 31 - [Pan-Canadian Assessment Program Main Assessment Forms](#)

FOR ACTION ITEMS

FOR ACTION, SUPERINTENDENTS – All Superintendents Meeting Agenda: Attached is the [agenda](#) for our next All Superintendents Meeting. We look forward to a productive discussion on a number of key topics.

FOR ACTION, SUPERINTENDENTS – Reporting Site Feedback: How is the [School District Reporting Catalogue](#) working for you? Please let us know by taking our [short survey](#).

FOR INFORMATION ITEMS

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS & SAFE SCHOOL COORDINATORS – erase
Promotional Materials: [New informational posters](#) highlighting the *erase* Report It tool and other “Get Help” resources are being mailed to all public and independent schools later this month.

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS & PRINCIPALS – Right To Play Program: [New partner program applications](#) and [staff training opportunities](#) are now available for the Right to Play Program, which supports schools and communities in the development of extra-curricular life-skills programs for Indigenous children and youth. Contact [Emily Gibson](#) if you have questions.

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS & PRINCIPALS – Education Week: In celebration of Education Week, Minister Fleming [outlines how government and education partners are working together to deliver better results for B.C. students](#).

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS & PRINCIPALS – National Survey on LGBTQI2S Inclusion in Secondary Schools: Egale Canada has launched their [second national survey on school climate in Canadian schools](#) to better understand the issues facing LGBTQI2S secondary students across Canada. All students (LGBTQI2S and non-LGBTQI2S) ages 14 and older are encouraged to participate before the June 30, 2019 deadline.

FOR INFO, SUPERINTENDENTS & SECRETARY-TREASURERS – Student Success

Website: Looking for student performance data at the school, district, or provincial level?

A quick reminder this data is available on the [Student Success website](#). Datasets show student performance in terms of the three pillars of the [Educated Citizen \(intellectual, human and social, and career development\)](#).

NEWS RELEASES

NEW SCHOOL FOR SD 34: ABBOTSFORD – [New elementary school on the way for Abbotsford families](#)

SEISMIC UPGRADE FOR SD 38: RICHMOND – [Another safe school project on the way for Richmond students](#)

SEISMIC UPGRADE FOR SD 39: VANCOUVER – [Seismically safe school coming for Maquinna students](#)

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