



**Vancouver School Board**  
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Важная информация! Переведите, пожалуйста

Dear Parents and Guardians,

With shorter days and crisp evenings, the grounds and corridors of schools throughout Vancouver once again buzz with student activity – welcome to the 2018-2019 school year!

We hope that you and your children had a fantastic summer! Whether you’re the parent or guardian of a student beginning their last year of secondary school, entering Kindergarten or anywhere in between, everyone at the Vancouver School Board joins in your excitement and aspirations for a successful school year.

Staff work hard to provide educational experiences that enrich children’s lives intellectually, emotionally, socially and physically; and that focus remained constant throughout the summer. Our schools welcomed 10,000 students in academic and experiential learning in more than 700 courses in our summer school initiative. And, our teacher recruitment efforts never took a break. This year, we are pleased to share that we have more teachers, teachers teaching-on-call and school and student support assistants. Although a few classes will have a teacher assigned on a temporary basis, staffing demands have returned to the traditional ebb and flow following restored class sizes last year.

We know the beginning of the school year can be both exciting and challenging for families and students. We have many helpful [resources](#) to assist you and your children, so the school year ahead is a success.

Please check your school's website and our [District calendar](#) for important dates, including professional development (ProD) days, Board and Committee meetings, school holidays and events. And stay up-to-date with events and activities by following our social media channels: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Youtube](#).

With the upcoming municipal election in October, we are encouraged and heartened to see so many candidates willing to serve our students. The current Board, together with our administrative, educational and facilities staff, are committed to collaboratively building strong relationships across the public education system in Vancouver and beyond.

As the school year progresses, we look forward to engaging with parents and guardians, staff and stakeholders, to build a stronger School District with student success at its heart.

May the 2018-2019 school year be one of achievement, growth and fond memories!



Janet Fraser  
Board Chairperson



Suzanne Hoffman  
Superintendent of Schools