



# BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Dear Members,

Today we take the time to reflect on the accomplishments Burnaby School District has achieved during the last Board term.

Creating success for each learner is at the heart of our district. With graduation rates above the provincial average, 63% of our graduates seek post-secondary opportunities, a transition rate that is 13% higher than the provincial average. The appetite to learn one of 7 UbUXUŋk c'c ZMU''Ub[ i U[ Yg]g'cbY'c Zh\Y'gfc b[ Yg]b'h\Y'dfcj ]bWY, and as a result, our French Immersion program enrolment is at an all-time high of 2,143 students.

As the Province emphasizes personalized learning, we continue to enhance program choices to meet our learners' needs. Since being elected, this Board has introduced the AP Capstone Diploma Program at two secondary schools; Multi-Age Cluster Classes (MACC); Take a Hike Program; Burnaby Winter Club Hockey Program; Basketball BC Academy; Customized Employment Programs; and a wide array of career and industry training programs.

These programs are just some of many achievements. And they have been implemented while maintaining a balanced budget, despite incredibly challenging fiscal times. To do this we have had to find efficiencies in new models of program delivery and energy use. The latter that has resulted in savings to date of 2.3 million dollars.

And while we have expanded and enriched the learning opportunities for our students, they in turn,