### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Dave Eberwein, Superintendent April 24, 2024



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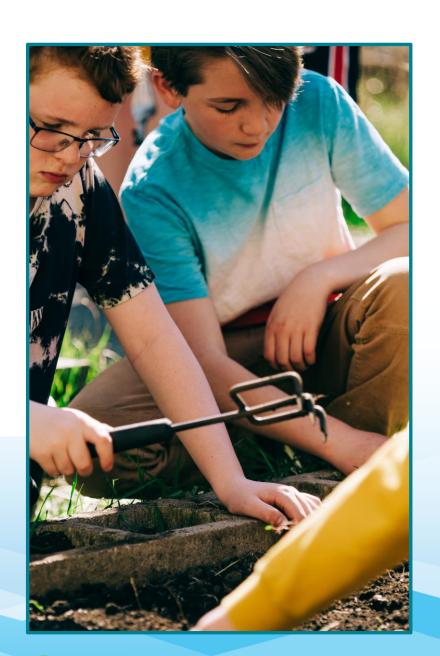
#### THE NEXT FEW MONTHS

**BILL 22 - SAFE ACCESS TO SCHOOLS ACT, 2024** 

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### SANICH

# BILL 22 – SAFE ACCESS TO SCHOOLS ACT, 2024

- Proposed "bubble zone" legislation created in response to recent disruptive protests at BC schools
- It would provide provincial authority to prohibit behaviour that impedes access to school grounds, disrupts school programs and activities, or causes concern for physical or mental safety of students and staff.
- Police would have the authority to arrest or issue tickets to anyone found impeding access, disrupting educational activities or attempting to intimidate an individual within 20 metres of school grounds.
- School Act (Section 177) currently provides language for school / district administrators to direct a person to leave school grounds or prohibit them from being on school grounds if they disturb or interrupt the proceedings of a school or an official school function. AP156 (Maintenance of Order) outlines procedure for this to happen.



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#### PERSONAL DIGITAL DEVICES

- MECC has amended the *Provincial Standards for Codes of Conduct Order* to promote provincial consistency amongst school districts in their expectations of *restricting student personal digital device use*.
  - To restrict student use of personal digital devices to promote online safety and support focused learning environments
  - Age appropriate
  - Address the use of digital devices for instructional purposes and digital literacy
  - Address accessibility, accommodation, and medical / health needs
  - Address any equity concerns to support learning outcomes
- Updated Code of Conduct and a new AP in June

## SANICH

## BILL 40 – SCHOOL AMENDMENT ACT, 2023

Provides specificity on **Local Education Agreement (LEA)** language and options

Provides **priority enrollment** at elementary / middle / secondary schools for **Indigenous students who live on reserve** 

Creates the requirement to have an **Indigenous Education Council (IEC)** in each school district

- Connecting with the WSÁNEĆ First Nation
- Waiting for further direction on the IEC

### WSÁNEĆ SCHOOL BOARD SAANICH SCHOOL BOARD RETREAT





- Proposed Board / Board Retreat: Thurs Aug 29<sup>th</sup> (12:00 4:00 pm)
  - Bill 40 Implementation
  - Overview of student demographics and achievement data trends
  - Saanich School Board & WSÁNEĆ School Board Strategic Plans (Board Chairs)
  - Sampling of Actions supporting the Plans



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