



July 19, 2022

Ref: 282201

Heather Grieve, Chair
Board of Education
School District No. 73 (Kamloops-Thompson)
Email: hgrieve@exc.sd73.bc.ca

Dear Heather Grieve:

Thank you for your letter of July 6, 2022, addressed to the Honourable Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education and Child Care, regarding Ministry of Education and Child Care capital funding process for new schools. As Deputy Minister of Education and Child Care, I am pleased to respond.

The Ministry understands there are significant enrolment pressures within Kamloops and specifically in the neighbourhoods within the Pineview area. These pressures are why the Ministry supported the Kamloops-Thompson School District to complete a business case for a new Pineview Valley Elementary School.

I understand the District is waiting for final approval for the Pineview Valley Crown Land Grant site and has remained in close contact with Ministry staff. Once the Crown Land Grant has been awarded to the District, the business case can be finalized, and the project can be considered for funding approval.

Please note that the published list of projects over \$50 million are for approved projects only and does not include projects in business case.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C.A. Zacharuk". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Christina Zacharuk
Deputy Minister

pc: Rhonda Nixon, Superintendent, School District No. 73 (Kamloops-Thompson)
Trina Cassidy, Secretary-Treasurer, School District No. 73 (Kamloops-Thompson)
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