

Board Report October 13, 2021

I am pleased to share the Board report on the work of the Board since the last report in September.

Potential K-12 Vaccine Mandate

The Board of Education is currently reviewing implications of a potential COVID-19 vaccine mandate for all K-12 staff. Getting immunized is a critical step that each of us needs to take for the safety of our community, and to hopefully end this pandemic. Mandating vaccines for all staff in our district is a significant step, with many implications. Our Board understands the importance of this issue and is committed to approaching this in a careful and thoughtful manner.

Retirement of Superintendent Tinney

The Board has received notice from Superintendent Jordan Tinney of his intent to retire in the coming calendar year. Jordan has been a passionate and committed leader and will be sorely missed both professionally and personally by Trustees and staff alike. We will have much more to say in the coming months about the contributions Jordan has made to Surrey schools and the community in his nine years with the district.

A search process for a new Superintendent is underway and Jordan will be supporting the Board in that effort.

Capital Tour

Late in September, Trustees boarded a district school bus and were toured around the district to view capital projects, both completed and underway.

The first stop was the new Grandview Heights Secondary school. Principal Darren Bedard joined the district staff team in a walk-through of the school.

The tour also included a drive-by viewing of the new Edgewood and Douglas Elementary schools, the additions and Sunnyside and White Rock Elementary schools and the site of the future Ta'talu Elementary school.

Thank you.