Provincial Changes to Online Learning

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- Surrey currently has 4,530 students taking one or more online courses through S.A.I.L.
- This number increases throughout the school year
- This includes 838 adult learners





- Students in Surrey can choose to take courses through S.A.I.L. or through any one of 55 public or independent online schools in the province
- There are currently 626 Surrey students who take online courses in other districts
- There are currently 585 students from other district who take courses through S.A.I.L.



Provincial Changes to Online Learning

Beginning in 2022-2023:

- 1. A new provincial online learning policy will come into effect
- 2. A new provincial quality assurance process will be implemented
- 3. A new provincial Learning Management Service will be available to districts
- 4. New Provincial Online Learning Schools (POLS) will be selected and authorized by the Ministry to offer online learning everywhere in B.C.

Provincial Online Schools (POLS)

- This fall, the Ministry will be establishing criteria and taking applications from districts to become Provincial Online Schools (POLS)
- Students will be able to choose to take courses through their own local district, or, if their district does not offer a course or program, through a Provincial Online School
- Students will no longer be able to cross-enrol to take courses from districts

Provincial Online Schools (POLS)

Questions & Considerations:

- Funding, Budget, Staffing of Provincial Online Schools
- Student enrolment
- Transitions New LMS system
- More information from the Ministry to follow

Thank you