



MEDIA RELEASE

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Superintendent Announcement

The Board of Education is pleased to announce that they have selected Ms. Karla Mitchell as Superintendent of Schools, effective August 1, 2022.



Karla is currently the System Supervisor for Chignecto Central Regional Centre for Education (CCRCE) in Truro, Nova Scotia. In addition to Karla's current responsibilities of providing educational leadership and management of 65 schools, 1400 staff and 20 000 students, she brings with her school-based experience as a teacher, Vice Principal and Principal as well as 8 years as Family of Schools Supervisor of the Chignecto Family of Schools. Within CCRCE she has served as a Programs Coordinator (with varied responsibilities including French programs, Pre-Primary, Tech Integration and Youth Pathways).

Karla has completed graduate degrees in Educational Administration from the University of New Brunswick as well as a Master of Education in Curriculum Studies (Culturally Relevant Pedagogy) from Saint Francis Xavier University. She is also currently auditing UBC's Massively Open Online Course titled, Reconciliation Through Indigenous Education.

David Christie, Board Chair, reiterated that hiring a Superintendent/CEO is one of the most critical responsibilities of the Board of Education. "In selecting Karla for this role, the Board of Education recognized the outstanding leadership that she has offered to the CCRCE and we believe that she is the right candidate for continuing the excellent work our current Superintendent and staff have been doing in all aspects of our Board's 2020 – 2025 Strategic Plan."

Karla shared, "I am genuinely looking forward to joining the experienced leadership team of School District 91 Nechako Lakes as Superintendent. Success for every learner will continue to be a priority and I am excited for the opportunity to collaborate with staff and trustees in pursuit of this vision."

The Board of Education extends its sincere appreciation to the staff, administrators and partners who provided insights into the recruitment process, including building the candidate profile and participating in candidate interviews. The Board valued the input provided and thanks each participant for their time and thoughtful contributions.

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