## To: Board of Education

## Re: PROPOSED CURRICULUM IMPLEMENTATION DAYS

From: Superintendent of Schools Sylvia Russell

Date: November 18, 2015
(Public Board Meeting)
Decision

## BACKGROUND/ RATIONALE:

Due to the implementation of the new curriculum the Ministry of Education announced that ten (10) new hours of non-instructional time are being designated for teachers this year to be trained on the new curriculum and collaborate with their colleagues on the curriculum changes.
In alignment with the "School Calendar Regulation":
School calendar - amendment
8 (1) A board must schedule the following for the 2015/2016 school year:
(b) 2 or more non-instructional periods totalling 10 hours for the purpose of providing teachers with an opportunity to participate in discussions and activities relating to the implementation of the curriculum documents listed in section 1(i) of the Educational Program Guide Order, M333/99.

6 (1) For the purposes of section 87.02 [school calendar - amendment] of the Act, a board must make publicly available proposed amendments to a school calendar at least one month before making the amendments.
(2) A board must, as soon as practicable and, in any event, within 30 days of amending a school calendar under section 87.02 of the Act, provide the minister with the amended school calendar.
(4) Subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to a board that amends a school calendar for the 2015/2016 school year to include the non-instructional periods required under section 8(1) (b)[designation of purpose for non-instructional days and periods] and instead the board must, as soon as practicable and, in any event, within 30 days of amending a school calendar under section 87.02 of the Act,
(a) provide the minister with the amended school calendar, and
(b) make publicly available the amended school calendar.

And, after consultation with the MRTA the following days are being recommended:

- February 19, 2016 (attached to the February 18 ${ }^{\text {th }}, 2016$ District-wide Non-Instructional Day).
- May 2, 2016


## RECOMMENDATION:

## THAT the Board approve the proposed amendments to the 2015-2016 School Calendars.

Attachment

## 2015-2016 PROPOSED DISTRICT SCHOOL CALENDAR

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ELEMENTARY (K-7) DAILY SCHEDULE: 8:30am to 2:20pm. 295 instructional minutes per day. Kindergarten gradual entry the first 2 weeks of September.

NB: Kanaka Creek Elementary will run its year round calendar separate from this calendar.
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Minimum number of hours of instruction that must be offered as per School Act and Calendar Regulation: 853 hours of instruction for students in kindergarten.
878 hours of instruction for students in grades 1 to 7.
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## SD42 PROPOSED DISTRICT SCHOOL CALENDAR: School Year 2015 to 2016

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Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

## 2015-2016 PROPOSED DISTRIBUTED LEARNING SCHOOL CALENDAR

Distributed Learning Summer program begins (subject to sufficient enrolment) Friday, July 3, 2015 to Friday, July $24,2015$.

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## Distributed Learning Summer program 2016 dates to be announced.

SD42 PROPOSED KANAKA CREEK CALENDAR: School Year 2015 to 2016

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