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SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 73 **(Kamloops - Thompson)**

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I am pleased to announce the Board of Education has hired a new Superintendent of Schools for the Kamloops-Thompson School District, Dr. Rhonda Nixon, beginning July 1, 2021.

A public announcement will be made today, Jan.12, 2021, at 11:00 am on [Facebook Live](#).

Our new superintendent holds a Bachelor of Education Degree, a Master of Education Degree, and a Ph.D. from the University of Alberta, and she brings many accomplishments from her diverse, 30-year career as an educator in rural, rural-urban, and large school districts in Alberta and as a post-secondary professor at the University of Victoria.

Dr. Nixon is currently the Deputy Superintendent of Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools, overseeing Inclusive and Early Education, English as Second Language, Indigenous Education, K-12 Curriculum, Distance and Outreach Education, Alternative Education Programs, Educational Technologies, and Data Management.

Our nationwide search for a new superintendent began after Alison Sidow, who served as superintendent from 2016 to 2020, announced her retirement on May 25, 2020. With the search for a new superintendent still incomplete for the start of school in September, the Board appointed former superintendent Dr. Terry Sullivan (1999 to 2014) for a one-year term.

The Board would like to acknowledge the work throughout this school year of Dr. Sullivan, our senior leadership and all our school and support staff. We would also like to recognize the efforts parents have made in supporting our schools as we have all worked to bring a much-needed sense of continuity, stability, and security to our communities during this challenging time.

On behalf of the Board of Education, I am pleased to welcome Dr. Nixon to her new role and to begin looking towards the future for our district, our staff and our students.

Rhonda Kershaw
Board Chair

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