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SCHOOL DISTRICT 69 ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES 2019

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The Board of Education and Senior Staff would like to share the following news regarding school administrators in our District:

Ms. Jane Reynolds, Vice-Principal at Ballenas Secondary School, has been offered and accepted a secondary principal position in the Nanaimo School District. Jane Reynolds came to our District from Port Alberni in 2005. While in Port Alberni, Ms. Reynolds had designed and implemented a reading comprehension program for First Nations students that spanned Kindergarten to High School and also worked in the VAST Alternate Program. Ms. Reynolds worked at Kwalikum Secondary School for six years as a Student Support Services Teacher and coordinated activity in the Ballenas Secondary School Learning Centre and Life Skills Program prior to assuming her vice-principal position at Ballenas Secondary in 2013.

Ms. Reynolds has been a passionate advocate for students and committed to supporting the work of teachers to meet the unique needs of all learners in their classrooms. While we recognize the loss of Ms. Reynolds to our school community, we wish her all the best in her new position.

Further to Ms. Reynolds departure from our District, we are pleased to announce the following administrative appointments effective February 1, 2019:

Ms. Patricia Cathrine has been appointed as **Vice Principal at Ballenas Secondary School**. Ms. Cathrine joined our district in 2008 as a Teacher Teaching on Call after which she held a teaching positions in the several schools in our District as well as Ballenas Secondary School. She taught the COMPASS Program and BC First Nations 12 at Ballenas Secondary and was a member of the Ballenas Learning Team. In 2016, she was appointed as Vice Principal of Nanoose Bay Elementary School.

Mr. Stephen Carpenter has been appointed as **Vice Principal of Nanoose Bay Elementary School**. Mr. Carpenter is currently a counsellor at Bowser Elementary School and PASS/Woodwinds. He was an elementary school vice-principal in the Cariboo-Chilcotin school district and also served for a time as principal of a small K-9 school before accepting his current position with SD69 in August of 2018. At that time he was also placed in the District's Administrative Eligibility Pool.

We welcome both of these skilled and passionate educators to their new leadership positions and look forward to the contributions they will make to our work at both the school and district levels.

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