



March 31, 2016

Ref: 186262

Marie-France Lapierre, President  
School District No. 93 (Conseil scolaire francophone)  
**Email: mariefrance\_lapierre@csf.bc.ca**

Dear Mme. Lapierre:

Thank you for taking the time to write to me on February 18, 2016. I appreciate the importance of securing a future site for students at École Rose-des-Vents to the Conseil scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique (CSF). I know how essential this issue is to students, parents, and teachers.

I understand Ministry of Education staff are actively engaged with CSF staff in relation to the pursuit of a school site in Vancouver for Rose-des-Vents, and have pursued a number of potential solutions over the past number of years.

I also understand that CSF and Vancouver School District representatives recently met to explore the potential of repurposing surplus Vancouver schools. I strongly encourage you to continue with that engagement; I have asked Ministry staff to ensure you have the support you need for these discussions.

I am aware Shanna Mason, Assistant Deputy Minister, Planning and Major Projects Division, recently met with Sylvain Allison, Secretary-Treasurer, to discuss this issue and tour facilities. As such, Ms. Mason is committed to finding a practicable solution for École Rose-des-Vents.

I look forward to seeing progress made on the construction of École des Pionniers, which was recently approved for design and construction. I recognize staff have recently approved an addition of four classrooms to accommodate anticipated student enrolment.

I appreciate your request for a meeting, unfortunately, due to a heavily committed schedule I am unable to meet with you at this time.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Mike Bernier  
Minister

pc: Bertrand Dupain, Superintendent, School District No. 93 (Conseil scolaire francophone )