



**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 34 (ABBOTSFORD)**
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ALL PARENTS OF STUDENTS IN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 34 (ABBOTSFORD)

Re: Official Notification – Local School Calendar for 2010/11

In accordance with Section 78 of the *School Act*, and *School Calendar Regulation 114/02*, please accept this letter as official notification that the Board of Education intends to adopt its 2010/2011 local school calendar at the Regular (public) Meeting of March 22, 2010. At the Regular (public) Meeting of January 18, 2010, the Board served the following Notice of Motion:

THAT the Board of Education include two Local School Calendar 2010/2011 options in its consultation process with stakeholders, and

THAT the Board of Education receive delegations at its Regular Board Meeting scheduled for February 15, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the School District Administration Office – Boardroom to gather input from interested parties, and

FURTHER THAT the Board of Education serve Notice of Motion that the 2010/11 Local School Calendar be presented for debate and vote at a regular meeting of the Board to be held on March 22, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

At its meeting on January 18, 2010, the Board of Education selected two options for the proposed local school calendar (attached) for debate and vote at the Regular (public) Meeting on March 22, 2010. Option 1 will be comparable to the 2009/2010 Local School Calendar which added eight (8) minutes at the elementary and middle level and nine (9) minutes at the secondary level each day to the Standard School Calendar to create five days for a second week added to Spring Break. The Standard School Calendar is the second option under consideration, and provides for a 5-day Spring Break.

Schools will open on September 7, 2010 and will close on June 30, 2011. The standard calendar Spring Break is scheduled for March 21 to 25, 2011. Possible days in lieu (March 14-18, 2011) will be debated and voted on at the March 22, 2009 Regular (public) Board Meeting.

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Parents are encouraged to attend the Regular (public) Board Meeting on February 15th at 7:30 p.m. at the School District Administration Office where stakeholder input will be received by the Board regarding the proposed Local School Calendar for the 2010/101 school year. Interested parties wishing to address the Board on this matter are requested to register as a delegation for the February 15th meeting by contacting Denise Byle, Executive Assistant in the Secretary-Treasurer's Office at 604-852-2366 ext 1241. Alternatively, parents may email their input on the calendar options to springbreak@sd34.bc.ca. Please ensure your name and address is included in the email submission, in the event follow-up communication is required.

Sincerely,



Julie MacRae
Superintendent

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