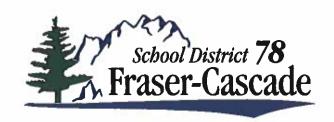
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Dear Students, Staff and Parents:

Welcome to the 2019-2020 School Year!

On behalf of the Board of Education and senior administration of School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade) it is our pleasure to welcome you back to the 2019-2020 school year. We hope that each of you enjoyed a well-deserved, restful and relaxing summer. We look forward to reuniting with those of you who are returning and wish to extend a special welcome to staff, students and parents who are new to our district.

The start of a new school year brings with it a sense of wonder and awe for our early learners as they start their first day of school, optimism for our grade 12 students as they progress toward graduation and enthusiasm for students new and returning to our district. This sense of anticipation and excitement was clearly evident throughout our district over the last few weeks, as staff members worked tirelessly to prepare for the first day of school on September 3, 2019.

Once again this year, we have witnessed examples of hard work, dedication and effective leadership at all levels of the organization. Our administrators and teachers have been engaged in planning and professional development in preparation for supporting student learning throughout the year. Clerical staff have been providing support for our teachers and administrators. Our custodial, maintenance and transportation staff have worked tirelessly throughout the summer to ensure that our buildings and buses are clean, well-maintained, and ready for the return of students and staff. We would like to commend our parents for continuing to work in partnership with us in order to provide the best possible learning experiences for our students throughout the school year.

As we begin the 2019-2020 school year, we look forward to continuing the effective relationships that have been developed working together to provide positive, caring, inclusive and welcoming educational experiences and opportunities for all students, staff and parents.

Once again, thank you, everyone! Welcome back and have a wonderful, exciting year in 2019-2020.

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