

Berkshire Park Elementary School

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District Budget Consultation:

As many of you are aware, in late February, our district typically holds an in-person community forum and invites PAC representatives to attend sessions to learn more about our budget and other key priorities. In the interest of health and safety, we have once again moved our 2022 budget consultations online. All of the presentations have been pre-recorded so they can be viewed safely at home from this <u>web page</u>. As with previous years, there is also an <u>online survey</u> to gather priorities and feedback from parents, students, staff and the larger community.

This year's agenda includes:

- <u>Introduction</u> (Surrey Board of Education)
- <u>Budget 2022</u> (presenter: Simon Ayres, Assistant Secretary Treasurer)
- <u>Capital projects</u> (presenter Dave Riley, Director Capital Project Office)

Consultations

As mentioned above, Surrey Schools is inviting all staff, students, parents and members of the Surrey, White Rock and Barnston Island communities to learn about and provide input on the 2022-23 district budget. Participants can share their feedback via an <u>online survey</u>, or reach out to us through email (<u>consultations@surreyschools.ca</u>), traditional mail or your local Parent Advisory Council representative. The survey will run until end of day, March 4, 2022.

It is important to remember that while the majority of the district's budget is pre-allocated to operating and capital costs (i.e. school construction, additions, seismic upgrades, teachers, educational assistants, programs/services and supplies), there is some room to address priorities identified by the community. This can include anything from funding scholarships, to classroom enhancement funds to new programs and social initiatives.

Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey:

Student Learning Survey 2021/2022

The Provincial Student Learning Survey is unique in its scope, size and usefulness to schools. It gathers information from parents/guardians/caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

Early in **2022** the Student Learning Survey will be administered to students in grades 4 and 7, their parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage parents/guardians/caregivers to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school needs to focus improvement. The surveys contain standard questions for the Province – in addition, questions from the school and/or district that focus on local conditions or issues may be included.

The survey can be completed electronically and can be accessed on the Internet at <u>http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey</u>. Any computer with an Internet connection can be used, and access to the e-survey is simple and secure. The survey can be accessed through the link with or without an anonymous logon code by selecting the school district and school name where your child attends school. Provincial, District and School Reports for previous years can be viewed at the same site under the *Results* section.

The e-survey site will be open until April 29th.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 604-583-7305.