

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**  
**Reporting to Public Session on Tuesday, September 24, 2019**

**1. 2018-2019 Governor General's Academic Medal Recipients**

Lord Dufferin, Canada's third Governor General after Confederation, created the Academic Medals in 1873 to encourage academic excellence across the nation. Over the years they have become the most prestigious award that students in Canadian Schools can receive.

For more than 140 years, the Governor General's Academic Medals have been awarded to students graduating with the highest average from a high school, as well as from approved colleges or university programs. Pierre Trudeau, Tommy Douglas, Kim Campbell, Robert Bourassa, Robert Stanfield and Gabrielle Roy are just some of the more than 50,000 people who have received the Governor General's Academic Medal. The medals are presented on behalf of the Governor General by each of our secondary school Principals.

The Governor General's Academic Medal recipients for the 2018-2019 school year are: Georgia Cheung from Alpha Secondary, Alice Ko from Burnaby Central Secondary, Carolyn Chen from Burnaby Mountain Secondary, Charley Cai from Burnaby North Secondary, Melanie Chen from Burnaby South Secondary, Umamah Mokarram from Byrne Creek Community Secondary, Nataly Musleh from Cariboo Hill Secondary and Jerry Zheng from Moscrop Secondary School.

We are delighted to have Principals and Vice-Principals from each of our 8 secondary schools here with us tonight. They will speak about the tremendous achievements of their Governor General Academic Medal recipients.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.