

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Reporting to Public Session on Tuesday, September 28, 2021

1. Student Safety Youth Summits

As the Burnaby School District continues its journey to support an equitable, diverse and inclusive environment for all, voices of students, staff, parents and community partners are integral to building on successes, addressing concerns, creating actionable strategies and making necessary change.

In May and June of the 2020 – 2021 school year, the school district's Safe and Caring Schools Team invited students to share their thoughts and feelings about safety at school. The hope was to meaningfully engage with youth to listen and learn about their experiences. Student delegates had the opportunity to share their stories and experiences in classrooms, school-wide initiatives and community events.

The input and perspectives shared by students will be used to improve and enhance student safety and a sense of belonging for all students.

This evening, Nick Christofides Acting District Principal, Safe and Caring Schools, and Beth Applewhite, Acting District Principal, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, will provide an overview of the youth summits and share some of the stories and data collected.

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education receive this information.