SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT Reporting to Public Session on Tuesday, September 26, 2023

1. Enhancing Student Learning Report

School districts across the province are required to develop a long-term plan to improve student achievement. The Enhancing Student Learning Report is designed to focus on systemwide continuous improvement, enhancing student outcomes and life chances for every student in BC. With a particular emphasis on Indigenous students, children and youth in care and students with disabilities and/or diverse abilities, schools and districts are required to have multi-year plans, submitted to the Ministry of Education and Childcare on an annual basis. Additionally, the Burnaby School District has incorporated data for English Language Learners, beginning with the 2022-23 report.

The Enhancing Student Learning Report is also intended to support Boards of Education in the development of strategic plans as well as provides a framework by which districts can reflect on and adjust practices, and share progress publicly.

Deputy Superintendent, Roberto Bombelli, will provide an overview of the District's 2022-23 report summarizing the data and findings.

The final report, once approved, will be submitted to the Ministry of Education and Child Care by October 3, 2023.

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education receive the information and approve the Enhancing Student Learning Report 2022-23.

2. Feeding Futures

In April 2023, the Government of BC announced a Feeding Futures Fund intended to support students who are facing food insecurity. The fund is intended to support the building, developing and expanding of local school food programs.

The District currently has a number of meal programs operating in 12 elementary schools across the district. The additional funding will allow for expansion of sites as well as targeted resources to ensure students are fed and are able to participate in school. Programs and supports will be available to elementary and secondary students in need.

While the 2023-24 school year is intended to be an implementation year, school and district staff have plans in place to determine food insecurity needs across the district and provide support where needed.

District Principal, Sheri Brattston will provide an overview of the program and share some district plans and context.

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education receive the information.