

Together We Learn



**Central Okanagan
Public Schools**

Board of Education

February 3, 2022

City Council
City of Kelowna
1435 Water Street
Kelowna, BC V1Y 1J4

Dear City Council

This letter is written in support of a co-located campus model for Education and Health & Wellness Facility on what is known as the Parkinson Recreation site.

As the fastest growing school district in British Columbia, Central Okanagan Public Schools is challenged with adequate land options for a secondary school in the Kelowna area. The District believes the proposed partnership with the City of Kelowna is the most responsible and innovative way to serve Kelowna's population and the synergies between the school and the recreation centre provide the opportunity for an effective model of service delivery. It will be a project that attains our shared vision of showing innovation, leadership in sustainability, improved service, optimal site utilization, and community/social benefits.

The new Glenmore Secondary School is the Central Okanagan Public Schools' number one priority on its Five Year Capital Requirements; however, this urgent priority has not yet received approval from the Ministry of Education. The School District's continues to be interested in collaborating with the City of Kelowna on a co-located campus model for each of our buildings and looks forward to working with the City to develop the necessary agreements that allow for this concept to become a reality when funding approval is received.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Moyra Baxter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Moyra Baxter, Chairperson
Board of Education

cc: Central Okanagan Board of Education Trustees
Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of Schools/CEO

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