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September 19, 2014

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

On behalf of the Board of Education, I am very pleased to inform you that the Provincial Collective Agreement between the BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) and the BC Teachers' Federation (BCTF) has been officially ratified.

I am now confirming that all schools in the Fraser-Cascade School District will be open on Monday September 22, 2014 and buses will be running. The first day of school will follow our normal procedures with an early dismissal. Schedules are available on your school website and our district website ([www.sd78.bc.ca](http://www.sd78.bc.ca)). A return to regular school hours will begin on Tuesday, September 23, 2014.

A gradual entry plan for kindergarten will be described and outlined on your school website.

We are delighted to be welcoming our students, staff and parents back to our schools. We are now ready to move forward as a school district and support the Board of Education's vision of: *Everyone Pulling Together to Improve the Achievement of all Learners.*

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Nelson".

Karen Nelson, EdD  
Superintendent of Schools