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## Dear Nanaimo-Ladysmith School District Trustees

On behalf of the Canadian Parents for French (CPF) Nanaimo-Ladysmith chapter, I want to sincerely thank you for supporting the motion to keep Late French Immersion (LFI) during the board meeting on December 18, 2024. Your support for this invaluable program means so much to our families and community members who believe in the lifelong benefits of bilingualism.

While we appreciate you moving the decision regarding continuing the program to September 2025, the BC Ministry of Education and Child Care's French Immersion policy states that districts should give **at least one year's notice** before making changes to allow for full discussion and alternative solutions.

We also value that you will be promoting the program in hopes to increase enrollment and awareness of the program. **Should you have any promotional materials, we would be happy to promote these on our social media platforms.**

We are grateful for your advocacy and hope you will continue to speak up to support French Immersion in our school district. Canadian Parents for French is committed to working with the district to explore ways to strengthen and promote Late French Immersion for current and future students.

If you need additional information or resources to support your position, we are here to help. Thank you again for standing up for equitable access to French language education.

Sincerely,  
Emily Barnewall

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