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Subject: FW: Vaccine Mandate
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CAUTION: External Message

Re: Vaccine Mandate

To Charlene McKay, Greg Keller, Jessica Stanley, Chantel O'Neill, Elaine Wilkinson, Stephanie Higginson, Tanya Brzovic and Bill Robinson:

I would like to take a moment and respectfully remind everyone about SD68's stand on Inclusion. What is happening right now regarding the mandate is not inclusive in any way. Employees and students mental health are at risk. Suicide rates, anxiety and depression are increasing and at an all time high and it is a serious epidemic. I urge you to take that seriously. Being forced, coerced or manipulated is not healthy in any way. There are employees and students that have legitimate health concerns that interfere with getting this vaccine so what are they to do? I do not think anyone would like to have that on their conscience. The schools are supposed to be a safe place for employees and students and that needs to continue along with supporting their mental health and personal choices!

From the SD68 website...

[Our Goals](#)

The goals of our strategic plan are:

- Continuous improvement of instruction and assessment
- Safe, caring and healthy learning and working environment that is inclusive of the diversity of our entire learning community
- To be a leader in environment stewardship and sustainability
- Truth and reconciliation

Also on SD68's website...

Increase the number of students who feel welcomed, safe, connected and have a sense of belonging in their schools

The mandate will not allow the above (taken off the sd68 website) to happen if it goes through so I urge you to NOT allow this mandate to come into effect!!! The school district should always be focusing on the employees and students learning, inclusion and being a safe space to go to. I understand there is a minority and a majority here regarding this but it is the district and unions jobs to protect every single one and I mean even if there is one of their employees and students from this kind of thing!

I request that you do not allow the BC government to manipulate you into allowing this vaccine mandate to come into effect. Please at the very least follow the lead of Victoria and Surrey school districts in at least tabling this mandate.

It is unlawful for anyone who is not a doctor or qualified health professional to make recommendations or mandates for employees and students.

I have attached a link from the Canadian RCMP officers containing evidence of how mandating vaccines is breaking numerous Canadian laws, which you may be held accountable for should you proceed with a vaccine mandate for employees in SD#68. The Canadian Bill of Rights, the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Human Rights laws internationally as well as nationally, and numerous other laws with regard to our democratic rights and freedoms will be broken if you choose to implement medical mandates of any sort.

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Vanessa

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