



On behalf of the Board of Education for Vancouver Island West School District 84, Chairperson Arlaine Fehr is pleased to announce the following administrative appointment, effective August 2026:



Congratulations to **Joni Johnson**, appointed as our new **District Lead – Indigenous Education**.

Joni is a valued and respected educator in School District 84 who began her teaching career at Ray Watkins Elementary School in June 2015. Most recently, Joni has served as our District Indigenous Learning Assistance Teacher, working collaboratively with students and staff in all district schools to support Indigenous learners and enhance inclusive and culturally responsive educational practices. Throughout her career, she has built strong relationships with students, families, staff, and community partners.

Joni brings a wealth of knowledge, experience, and passion for Indigenous education. In addition to her teaching credentials, Joni has earned a Master's degree in Educational Leadership from VIU and a certificate in Indigenous Language Revitalization from UVic. Her commitment to student success, relationship-building, and culturally responsive education has had a positive impact throughout our schools. In her new role, she will provide district leadership for Indigenous education and continue to support our commitment to creating safe, healthy, and responsive schools where every student's unique gifts are nurtured.

Please join us in congratulating Joni on her new position and wishing her every success in this important role. We look forward to the continued leadership, guidance, and support she will provide to our students, staff, families, and communities.

Congratulations, Joni!