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Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid
Minister of Education and
Minister responsible for Early Learning and Literacy
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Dear Honourable MacDiarmid,

Re: Class Size Class Composition

The Vancouver Board of Education recently accepted the Superintendent's report on Class Size and Class Composition and submitted it to the Ministry as per Section 76 of the School Act.

We recognize that our staff in schools and in district management have done all they can with the resources provided. However, on behalf of the Board of Education Trustees, I wish to make it unequivocally clear that we do not feel the level of funding provided to school districts is sufficiently adequate to provide optimal learning conditions for all students. We urge the provincial government to restore funding to public education so class sizes and compositions can be at levels much more conducive to optimal learning for all students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'P Bacchus'.

Patti Bacchus
Chairperson
Vancouver Board of Education

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