



School District #8 (Kootenay Lake)

Press Release
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Board of Education of School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake) Selects New Superintendent of Schools/Chief Executive Officer

The Kootenay Lake School District is pleased to announce that Dr. Christine Perkins has been selected as the District's next Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer. Dr. Perkins is replacing Mr. Jeff Jones, who will be retiring on October 31st after serving as the Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer for the past seven years.

Dr. Perkins will be joining Kootenay Lake School District from her position as Assistant Superintendent with School District No. 58 (Nicola-Similkameen), where she worked in areas of professional learning, Aboriginal Education, leadership development, and implementation of BC's New Curriculum K-12. Perkins has been a classroom teacher, vice principal, and Middle and Secondary school principal. She completed a Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction in 2002 from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, and a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership and Policy from the University of British Columbia in 2012.

An accomplished professional educator with a track record of improving student learning, building school and district culture, and leading system initiatives through shared vision, leadership and collaborative team building, Perkins is eager to get started. "I am excited to join the team at Kootenay Lake and am looking forward to engaging with students, parents, and the community. Our mutual goal is to ensure our students become resilient, creative, imaginative, academically successful and, most importantly, able to pursue their own passions and find success by following their own dreams."

The Board is looking forward to Perkins building on the strong tenets of governance, inclusivity and transparency left by outgoing Superintendent Jones.

"New leadership is a welcome change in any district. The Board awaits Dr. Perkins and expects her leadership will assist the Board in the fulfilment of District goals, and most importantly the improvement of learning opportunities for all students. The Board also takes this opportunity to wish Superintendent Jones the best in his retirement and to thank him for his strong leadership and unwavering focus on student learning during his time with SD8.", Chair Trenaman.

The Board also wishes to thank Kootenay Lake Principals/Vice-Principals Association, District Parent Advisory Council, Kootenay Lake Teachers Federation and CUPE 748 for their important participation in the Superintendent Search process.

Details are still to be finalized however, Dr. Perkins is expected to start in the District on September 1st.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lenora Trenaman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lenora" being more prominent than the last name "Trenaman".

Lenora Trenaman
Chair, School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake)

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