



## BC CONFEDERATION OF PARENT ADVISORY COUNCILS

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The Honourable Margaret MacDiarmid  
Minister of Education  
PO Box 9045, Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

**Re: 2009 B.C. Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils Member Resolutions**

Dear Minister MacDiarmid,

At the 2009 BCCPAC Annual General Meeting, member delegates representing PACs and DPACs came together from across the province to discuss issues vital to student success.

We would like to bring the following resolutions, specifically destined to your Ministry, to your attention.

***2009.7 Stopping the Misrepresentation of FSA Data used by Fraser Institute***

BCCPAC work with the Ministry of Education and other provincial education associations to change procedures to ensure that results from the Foundation Skills Assessments continue to be released to school districts, schools and parents yet not to the general public in order to stop outside organizations from using/manipulating the data to support their needs.

***2009.9 Parent Choice Regarding FSAs***

BCCPAC urge the Minister of Education to respect the right of parents to decide whether or not participation in the FSA tests is in the best interests of their children.  
And further, that the Minister meet with parent and teacher reps to discuss measures to restore confidence in the FSAs.

***2009.10 Mandated Support Tied to Low FSA Outcomes***

BCCPAC urge the Minister of Education to expand the FSA program to include an additional component, with additional provincial funding as appropriate, that mandates follow up of poor FSA outcomes, including enquiry as to causes and provision of additional provincial support to address any identified causes/problems.

We kindly ask that your Ministry review these resolutions, and we welcome an opportunity to discuss these with you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Ann Whiteaker  
President