

BC CONFEDERATION OF PARENT ADVISORY COUNCILS

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Dear Member:

In 1994, the BCCPAC Board of Directors developed a District Associate (DA) program, to help assist the volunteer Board of Directors to connect with members across the province. The role supported BCCPAC with the collection and distribution of information between BCCPAC and members. In recent years, fewer and fewer DA's have been officially registered with BCCPAC.

Over the past four years, the BCCPAC Board of Directors has been reviewing all programs to support our members more effectively. This review included the DA program. Upon recommendation from the Member Support Committee, the Board entered into lengthy discussions on the continued viability of the DA Program. The Board of Directors decision is to officially dissolve the BCCPAC District Associate (DA) Program.

The Board of Directors would like to thank the parents who presently hold this position with their DPAC, as well as those who have held it in the past. Your commitment and support over the years is appreciated and we look forward to continuing to work together to support student success in new ways.

In some districts, this role became incorporated as an official position within the Constitution and Bylaws of councils. If the BCCPAC District Associate position is incorporated into your DPAC Constitution & Bylaws, you may be required to revisit your bylaws and make the appropriate amendments to reflect the decision of the board to dissolve this program.

If a Council would like to have someone designated as the representative or spokesperson to communicate and liaise with BCCPAC, like the former District Associate representative did, then that will be an individual Council's decision. However, there will no longer be an official DA position with which BCCPAC will communicate. Should you decide to designate a specific person to hold the spokesperson position, please forward their contact information to our office as one of the two contacts for your Council. Some members may have already done this when they filled out their BCCPAC membership form.

We thank you for all that you do to support student success within your district.

In Partnership,

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