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Carolyn Broady, President
BC School Trustees Association
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Dear Carolyn Broady:

Thank you for your emails of June 7 and June 14, 2022, with three motions from the BC School Trustees Association's (BCSTA) Annual General Meeting requesting the revision of the *School Act* regarding the acknowledgement of traditional territories, barriers for students with precarious or no immigration status, and the establishment of a process to review and refresh the 'Attributes of a BC Graduate'.

I appreciate you bringing the concerns of the BCSTA to my attention. I share your commitment to a high-quality student-centred education system and value the partnership we have developed. Government is also deeply committed to lasting and meaningful reconciliation with Indigenous people.

Each of these items requires further review and discussion and would need to align with government's established policy and legislative processes. I have asked Ministry of Education and Child Care staff to work with you directly through our existing bilateral agendas to prioritize and work toward solutions to address these concerns.

Again, thank you for writing. We look forward to continuing to work together with the BCSTA on our joint priorities.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Whiteside
Minister