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SD46 ANNOUNCES NEW DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTION FOR INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

SUNSHINE COAST, BRITISH COLUMBIA – School District 46 (SD46) is very pleased to announce Christa Rive as director of instruction for inclusive education beginning August 1st. Rive takes over the position from Kate Kerr, who was recently appointed as superintendent of schools.



Rive brings to her new role skills and experiences from a career of leadership in inclusive education. She has been the principal of Roberts Creek Elementary for eight years, along with SPIDER K-6 for four years. Prior to becoming a principal, Rive taught students K-12 in a variety of capacities: humanities and alternative education in North Vancouver, and twelve years as an inclusion education teacher at Halfmoon Bay, West Sechelt, and Kinnikinnick Elementary Schools.

Underlying Rive's leadership is a consistent theme of creating opportunities for staff, students and their families. Through the trust she has built and the culture she has inspired, she has encouraged professional learning in her staff, and has championed changes that support student learning in many positive ways. Her experience in the district supporting inclusive education has given her a deep understanding of the diverse needs of students in the district, as well as the community resources available to support them. In addition to her knowledge and currency in this area, Rive brings the trust and relationships with community and provincial partners that she has developed over many years in the district.

Rive has lived with her family in Halfmoon Bay for the past twenty-five years and their children have graduated from Sunshine Coast Schools.

Rive commented, "I am honoured and excited to have the opportunity to serve our district and community in this new role. I am inspired by our vital and exciting trajectory in SD46 to transform inclusive education to best support all students and I look forward to continuing the work as the director of instruction."

Superintendent Patrick Bocking said, "I am thrilled to welcome Christa to this new position in the district. Her experience and expertise in supporting our students, staff and community with inclusive practices will ensure that each student in our district experiences success. She has worked tirelessly to support both student and staff mental health and well-being and finding every strategy she can with her team to make things better for our students. We are confident that her

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experience and skillset will enhance the district as a member of the senior leadership team, as a leader amongst staff, and as a partner with our community agencies.”

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