



# SCHOOL DISTRICT 46 SUNSHINE COAST

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **SD46 SECURES CONTRACT WITH NEW SCHOOL BUS PROVIDER, DIVERSIFIED TRANSPORTATION**

SUNSHINE COAST, BRITISH COLUMBIA – After an extensive search, School District 46 is thrilled to announce its partnership with Diversified Transportation, a leading school bus provider, beginning in the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. Under the new agreement, Diversified Transportation will assume the responsibility of providing transportation services for School District 46. The transition to Diversified Transportation signifies an exciting step forward for the district, aligning with its vision of delivering safe, efficient and environmentally-sustainable transportation services to the Sunshine Coast community.

The partnership with Diversified Transportation promises numerous benefits for the students and their families within School District 46. Diversified Transportation has a strong track record of prioritizing the well-being of students during their journeys to and from school. Moreover, Diversified Transportation is known for a strong communications system with families. Diversified Transportation is also renowned for its dedication to employees and is committed to investing in their professional development. The district's relationship with the current local manager and bus drivers remains strong and we are pleased that Diversified Transportation will be working with them going forward.

Additionally, the collaboration will significantly reduce the environmental impact of school bus transportation by utilizing a new fleet of propane buses and allowing for the use of Board-owned electric buses, if the School District 46 is successful in its application to the Zero Emissions Transit Fund.

Superintendent Kate Kerr expressed her enthusiasm about the new partnership, stating, "Securing this contract with Diversified Transportation is a positive step forward for School District 46. We are confident that their expertise and commitment to safety will greatly benefit our students and the community as a whole. We look forward to a successful and productive collaboration."

School District 46 - Sunshine Coast and Diversified Transportation are working closely together to ensure a smooth transition and implementation of the new transportation

services. Families and stakeholders can expect to receive further information about the changes in the coming months.

### **About School District 46 - Sunshine Coast:**

School District 46 - Sunshine Coast is dedicated to providing high-quality education to students across the Sunshine Coast region. Committed to student success, the district offers a range of educational programs and services to meet the unique needs of each learner.

### **About Diversified Transportation:**

Diversified Transportation is a leading school bus provider committed to delivering safe and reliable transportation solutions. With a strong emphasis on customer satisfaction, Diversified Transportation is known for its well-maintained fleet and efficient communications system with families.

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