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Burnaby Schools District Parental Advisory Committee  
**Email: [DPACChair@BurnabySchools.ca](mailto:DPACChair@BurnabySchools.ca)**

Dear Paul Kwon

Thank you for your email regarding the recent arbitration ruling between the Burnaby School District and the Burnaby Teacher's Association. I truly appreciate you taking the time to advocate for public education and your community.

I want you to know, our government has been actively engaged on this issue with the school board and district officials since it was raised to our attention last year. The school district has been working hard on final figures to inform a funding request, and those figures were received by Government on Friday, April 17.

Our government has made public education a priority since day one, and our year-over-year investments reflect that commitment. I want to assure all Burnaby families, that I, your local MLAs, and our entire government are taking this matter seriously. Unfortunately, the timing of this work coinciding with the budget process has created unnecessary alarm in the community. Now that we have received the final figures, the funding request can be considered.

As has been clearly communicated to your school board and district officials, we anticipate this issue will be resolved in the coming weeks.

Thank you again for writing and for your continued engagement on public education.

Sincerely,

Lisa Beare  
Minister