

Pacific Rim School District Public Interest Disclosure Annual Report

What is the Public Interest Disclosure Act?

The *Public Interest Disclosure Act* ("PIDA") is legislation that supports ethical and accountable practices by encouraging the employees and board members of governmental bodies to report serious misconduct for investigation and further action.

PIDA provides a framework for employees to report serious wrongdoing and provides them with protection against reprisals. The types of wrongdoing that can be reported under *PIDA* include:

- A serious act or omission that constitutes an offence under an enactment in BC or Canada;
- An act or omission giving rise to a substantial and specific danger to the life, health or safety of persons, or to the environment;
- A serious misuse of public funds or public assets; and
- Gross or systemic mismanagement.

The Board of Education of Pacific Rim School District ("School District") became subject to *PIDA* on December 1, 2023. Under section 38 of *PIDA*, the School District is responsible for issuing this annual report on the Disclosures that it received under PIDA within the year.

Section 38 of the *Public Interest Disclosure Act* ("PIDA") requires that the Superintendent issue an annual report of the disclosures, investigations, findings and recommendations made or received under *PIDA* within the prior year. This document sets out minimum recommended reporting requirements under s. 38 of *PIDA*.

Disclosures for Fiscal Year 2024/25

- 1. Number of Disclosures Received: _____0 (including referrals from the Ombudsperson of British Columbia and other government bodies)
- 2. Number of Disclosures Acted On / Not Acted On:

(Disclosures not "acted on" include those disclosures the School District declined to investigate, for example where the allegations are outside the scope of *PIDA* or do not meeting the definition of "wrongdoing" or where they are investigated under another policy or process.)

No. of Disclosures Acted on: <u>N/A</u>

No. of Disclosures Not Acted on: N/A



Basis for not acting on a Disclosure:

For a list of circumstances where a public body may refuse to investigate see section 22 of *PIDA* and the Regulations under *PIDA*.

- 3. Number of Disclosures Investigated by the School District: <u>N/A</u>
- 5. Description of Any Findings of Wrongdoing and Related Recommendations

Nature of Finding of Wrongdoing	Recommendations	Corrective Action Taken or Reasons why Corrective Action Not Taken
N/A		-
N/A		-
N/A		-
N/A	_	-

For privacy reasons, the findings and recommendations in the above Table are provided in summary form.

Attestation

I certify that the above report is true and correct.

Peter Klaver, Superintendent Pacific Rim School District