



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 _____

1. Number of Disclosures Received: _____

(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: _____

No. of Disclosures Not Acted on: _____



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: _____
- 4. Number of Disclosures giving rise to a finding of Wrongdoing under *PIDA* _____
- 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

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