



School District No. 85 (Vancouver Island North)
"Bringing Learning to Life"

ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENT

Eke Me-Xi Learning Centre

The Board of Education of School District No. 85 (Vancouver Island North) is pleased to announce the appointment of 'Maxmawidzamga (Ms. Leah Hubbard) to the position of Principal of Eke Me-Xi Learning Centre effective April 29, 2019.

'Maxmawidzamga (Leah) is a member of the 'Namgis Nation. She has taught in Kwakwaka'wakw territory in School District No. 85 for 12 years. 'Maxmawidzamga taught grade 5/6 at Robert Scott for two years and has taught at Eke Me-Xi Learning Centre for 10 years. Leah graduated from the Indigenous Teacher Education Program (NITEP) at the University of British Columbia with her Bachelor of Education Degree in 2005.

'Maxmawidzamga appreciates the application of knowledge and values that she has learned in both Indigenous and Non-Indigenous worlds. She strives to impart both world views into her practice. Leah is quoted as saying: "I have a passion for place based learning as it is the basis of who we are as Indigenous people. Everything we are comes from our land and the history of origin from our territories."

Leah says she feels privileged to have been part of Eke Me-Xi Learning Centre which is hosted by the Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxd'xw Nations. Over the past decade she has witnessed many transformations and looks forward to participating in the future growth of the school and community.

Please join us in welcoming Leah into her new Administrative role.

Carol Robertson
Superintendent of Schools/CEO

April 16, 2019