



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

COMMUNITY OUTREACH MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENT

On behalf of the Board of Education of School District No. 85 (Vancouver Island North), we are delighted to announce that Mark Whitworth has accepted the position of Community Outreach Manager for SD85.

Mark brings a rich array of knowledge, skills, experience, and abilities to his new role. Mark has had a 35-year career in law enforcement, many of those years on the North Island. He holds a master's degree in both Psychology and Forensic Psychology and is currently working toward his Ph.D. Over his career, Mark played a pivotal role in establishing the first BC Intervention Team for the National Security Program. His efforts ranged from developing the initial business case to crafting an intervention strategy aimed at working with individuals, particularly youth, away from paths leading to criminal behavior, with a focus on mitigating individual and group-based violence. Mark was also a member of the Steering Committee for the province of BC SHIFT program. Mark is looking forward to continuing his service to the community in his new position with SD85.

We warmly welcome Mark to our administrative team and are confident that his leadership and administrative prowess will greatly benefit the community. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Mark as he joins School District 85.

Any questions may be directed to the School Board Office at 250-949-6618.

Christina MacDonald
Superintendent of Schools

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