



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 47 (POWELL RIVER)
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To Whom This May Concern,

Re: Powell River Community Forest – All Ages and Abilities Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant

This letter is written in support of the City of Powell River's application for up to 50% matching funding to support All Ages and Abilities Active Transportation Infrastructure in our Community.

Promoting active transportation for students is something School District 47 strongly believes in. We know that the link between physical activity and learning is very strong, and that children who are active daily are more likely to excel in their education and in the school environment. Walking or biking to school is one of the best ways for students to achieve the recommended hour of daily activity.

We have had great success with our local partnerships in active transportation thus far. Our cycling programming is ongoing, including the expansion of our District Bike Library, the completion of the Youth Bike Rack Project, After School Bike Programs, and Bike To School Week Programming across the District. Despite these successes, we know from surveys that children identify having a safe route to school as a major barrier to walking and cycling in Powell River.

We support this application and are hopeful it will be met favourably as this continued collaboration benefits the community and our region.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J Yule".

Dr. Jay Yule
Superintendent
Board of Education
School District 47 (Powell River)

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