



March 24, 2010

To The Parents
County Line Elementary

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As Chair, it is my duty to inform you that Langley's Board of Education decided, at the Board meeting of March 23rd, 2010, to close County Line Elementary School at the end of this school year. I know that for students, parents and staff this decision is difficult, and there may be a sense of loss for your close knit community. Your commitment to County Line Elementary School and to each other was made clear to us as we carried out the review that led to this decision.

The main job for the District now, is to provide support through a period of transition. Langley School District will do all it can to help students and parents establish themselves in their new schools. Many families have indicated their preference for placement of their children at North Otter Elementary. The North Otter Elementary Principal and school community will commence activities to welcome your children and hopefully will ease the transition into a new learning environment. Ms. Ulmer will also share details regarding transitions to other schools for September, 2010. Again, you can be assured that the principals and school communities of these other schools will welcome your child and will also make best efforts to ease the change.

I know you understand that as Trustees, we must make decisions in what we believe are in the best long-term interests for students, and that we are striving to do what is best for every child in this District.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joan Bech".

Joan Bech, Chair
Board of Education

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cc: Trustees
Senior Management