

BC CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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Dear Lincoln Park Neighbours,

Over the past couple of months, BC Christian Academy (BCCA) has had the opportunity to dialogue with some of our neighbours and Port Coquitlam City officials. During this time, we have been made aware of the increasing concern of neighbours regarding the traffic and parking around the school.

BCCA has been making concerted efforts to address your concerns and will continue to do so as we plan for the development of 1019 Fernwood Avenue.

One of the immediate actions that was taken was to get all our BCCA staff parked on-site, so as not to occupy the parking on the street in front of our neighbours' homes. We have now been able to accomplish this goal and we have successfully been able to take 25 staff cars off the street during the open hours of the school.

In addition, we have been working in cooperation with the City Bylaw Officers to help educate our families of the importance of road safety around the school. We were pleased to see that the city has been able to send the Bylaw Officers out to monitor traffic around the school several times in the past month. Several tickets were handed out to help ensure the families driving and parking around the school understand the importance of bylaws, as they apply to the road.

BCCA has hired a professional traffic consulting company to analyze the current traffic conditions around the school. They will be producing a traffic study report over the next month and making recommendations of further measures the school can take at this time to help improve traffic flow and parking procedures around the school. The traffic consulting company will also be studying BCCA's preliminary building development plans and advising what measures need to be taken to ensure efficient traffic flow, safety, and parking.

BCCA will continue to do its best to address concerns of our neighbours. We want to thank many of you who have come to talk with us about your concerns. We value your input and will be continually assessing our procedures to help maintain a positive relationship with you, our neighbours.

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If you have any recommendations or would like to communicate with us about our development plans, please feel free to contact the school at <u>development@bccaschool.ca</u>

To help ensure that the neighbourhood stays well informed throughout BCCA's development process, we are developing a BCCA Neighbourhood Landing website, <u>www.bccadevelopment.ca</u>. This website will be accessible within the next month where neighbours will be able to access the latest information regarding our school's development plans.

Thank you for your patience as we work through some of the challenges before us. We are now in our 13th year at the 1019 Fernwood Ave. site and value the neighbourhood that we have been blessed to be part of. Indeed, many of our families that attend BCCA live in close proximity to the school and many more would like to become part of this thriving neighbourhood.

We will continue to work hard at developing a stronger relationship with you, our neighbours, and value your participation as we journey together.

With sincere regards,

Ian Jarvie Executive Director