



**Media Release
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Announcement

Superintendent of Schools

The Board of Education of School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert) is pleased to appoint Andrew Samoil as the district's Superintendent effective August 1, 2020.

Andrew began his teaching career in Grande Cache and Edmonton, Alberta before moving to British Columbia. He worked first in Haida Gwaii, and then moved to Vancouver to teach with the BC Open University/Thompson Rivers University. Andrew's next move took him to the NWT for his work on creating an online learning program that allowed students to live in their remote communities while completing academic high school programs.

In January 2013 Andrew came to Prince Rupert as the Director of Instruction – Information Technology and Purchasing. He moved full-time into the Board office in 2017 as Director of Instruction – Educational Innovation. On June 9, Andrew was appointed to Assistant Superintendent of the district.

"The Board of Education is very pleased that Andrew has agreed to become the district's next Superintendent," said Board Chair James Horne. "Under Andrew's leadership the district will continue its focus on the success of each student."

"I am grateful that the Board has expressed their confidence in my ability to take on the leadership of the district," said Andrew Samoil. "I will continue to support the Province – leading work of our Aboriginal Education Department, to ensure that each of our students can successfully complete their educational program with a sense of hope, purpose and control."

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