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## **GREATER VICTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 61 SUPERINTENDENT BELL ANNOUNCES SHE IS TAKING ON A NEW ROLE AT CAMOSUN COLLEGE**

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The Superintendent of the Greater Victoria School District, Ms. Sherri Bell, has announced that she will be leaving the School District at the end of June to assume the role of the President of Camosun College. *“Although we are saddened that Ms. Bell is leaving our District, we are extremely fortunate that she is leaving the School District in excellent shape. Ms. Bell’s visionary leadership will be greatly missed, however she has mentored a great team that the Board will be relying on going forward”* said Edith Loring-Kuhanga, Board Chair.

Ms. Bell was hired by the Greater Victoria School District in 1996 as the Principal of James Bay Community School; however, prior to this Ms. Bell had a varied and successful career in the education field. Ms. Bell was a teacher in both Calgary and Cranbrook, a post-secondary instructor and practicum supervisor for the University of Victoria and a principal in Lake Cowichan. Ms. Bell also worked as a contractor for the Ministry of Education in curriculum and assessment providing support to over half of the school districts in the province. In 2001, Ms. Bell was the District Principal responsible for reconfiguring the Greater Victoria School District to implement the new K-5, 6-8, 9-12 structure. Since 2002 Ms. Bell has held senior leadership positions in the District, most recently as the Superintendent of Schools.

“It has been a privilege and honor working for the Greater Victoria School District over this past nineteen years,” said Ms. Bell. “I will greatly miss the many wonderful people and the significant relationships that I have forged while working in the School District. I look forward to developing new relationships in my new role at Camosun College.”

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