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Hi,

This may be helpful for you with us completing our FDK in September. If you'd like a briefing on it we can arrange one.

Thanks, Lindsay

Sequence of Events Related to Full Day Kindergarten

Feb 2008: Throne Speech commitment to study the feasibility of full day kindergarten for five-year-olds and feasibility of programming for four and three-year-olds in the future

April—August 2008: Creation of Early Childhood Learning Agency; ECLA conducts literature/research review, consultation with stakeholders through meetings and the public online, and financial and capital analysis

September 2009: Submission of preliminary findings for Cabinet consideration; decision to delay

January 2009: Draft report of ECLA to Minister

February 2009: Throne Speech commitment to FDK, but not until improvement in economy

April 2009: Public release of Early Childhood Agency report: Expanding Early Learning in British Columbia for Children Age Three to Five

August 2009: Throne Speech announcement of FDK over two years starting in Sept 2010

September 2009: Budget Speech commits \$151 M over two years (\$280 M over three years) for FDK

September 2009: Ministry calls for proposals for FDK from districts and independent schools

October 2009: Provincial forum on FDK in Richmond (Minister attended)

S12 December 2009: FDK enrolment caps announced for each district (six, later seven districts decide to delay until 2011—Arrow Lakes, Revelstoke, Kootenay Columbia, Qualicum, Fort Nelson, Campbell River, and later Sea to Sky) and about 2000 FTE for independent schools

November 2009—March 2010: Ministry and Partnerships BC in consultation with districts completed capital analysis and detailed plan for new space; specifications for modular classrooms developed

January 2010: Principals' and Vice Principals' Association provincial forum on FDK; start of action research cadre

S12 March 2010:

decision had been made to involve Min of Transportation and

Infrastructure; S12

April 2010: publication of FDK guide by EL branch; in-service by districts and pro-D by universities began

June 2010: Capital announcements, including \$15K for converted Grade 1-7 classrooms

Summer 2010: RFP for 133 modular classrooms; contract signed in October and manufacturing began

Spring-Summer 2010: Ministry creates FDK video exemplars through partnership with PVPA and BCTF to be available on MEd website

September 2010: First cohort of FDK commences (22, 000 FDK and 14,300 HDK)

October 2010: Launch of FDK videos, addition approvals, and manufacturing of modular classrooms began

January and February 2011 – FDK webcast series presented by Ministry on self-regulation (featuring Dr. Stuart Shanker and Jane Bertrand) and on project-based learning (featuring Susan Fraser)