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Honourable Minister of Education, Rachna Singh  
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***Re: Expedite Crown Grant Application***

Dear Honourable Minister Rachna Singh:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Kamloops-Thompson Board of Education. We have attempted to appeal to the Honourable Minister Cullen regarding a matter of urgency pertaining to a Crown Grant application. We are requesting your assistance in communicating the urgency to Honourable Minister Cullen in his new role as Minister of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship to expedite the Crown Grant application for Batchelor Heights Elementary School site.

We have provided Minister Cullen with this information:

*On February 4, 2023, we had written a thank you letter to Mr. Gord Humphrey who had expedited the Crown application through the local Ministry of Forests office. The need to expedite this application was because our Board had just approved a catchment change to manage the overflow of students in Westmount Elementary School which was at 181% capacity utilization. We displaced 90 Batchelor Heights students out of Westmount Elementary School and relocated them to two non-catchment area schools*