

NOTICE TO PARENTS

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YOUR PRIVACY IS BEING VIOLATED - PERSONAL INFORMATION SECRETLY COLLECTED THROUGH SCHOOL

INFORMATION MEETINGS – Fri Jan 20 9:30 am; Tues Feb 2 12:30 pm; Fri Feb 4 9:30 am - 3988 Frances Street, Burnaby

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We urge parents to OPT OUT YOUR CHILD from the EDI. *You must inform your school in writing.*****

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PERSONAL RECORDS COLLECTED AND LINKED BY HELP

EDI	Pharmaceutical
School – achievement and behaviour	Census
Medical	Daycare
Birth	Children in province’s care
Death	Stress
Hospital	Injury
Perinatal	Workers compensation board
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