

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## CELEBRATE WORLD TEACHERS' DAY ON OCTOBER 5th

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Kelowna, BC – Take time to thank a teacher! This Saturday is World Teachers' Day, and the Central Okanagan Board of Education is proud to recognize the many teachers who help make our district a leader in student success. Teachers empower our students to be lifelong learners and healthy, productive members of a global society.

"Teaching is more than a career, it's a calling," said Moyra Baxter, Chairperson for the Board of Education. "Those who dedicate themselves to teaching take on both challenges and rewards as they encourage, mentor, and educate our students. We are very grateful for their commitment."

Every day, more than 1,700 education professionals work hard to create a brighter future for over 23,500 students in Central Okanagan Public Schools. Central Okanagan Public Schools encourages you to express gratitude to your teacher, your child's teacher, or even reach out to a past teacher who made a difference in your life.

"I am grateful for the many teachers who guide learners to achieve their hopes and dreams and develop the attributes of a learner in Central Okanagan Public Schools," said Kevin Kaardal, Superintendent of School/CEO. "Teachers' work is critical to the development of civil societies across the globe. Take time tomorrow to thank a teacher who inspired you."

UNESCO launched World Teachers' Day in 1994. Worldwide, there are more than 60 million teachers, the majority of them working in developing countries with limited resources.

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