

DSBIA Questions to School Board Candidates

1. What do you think are the three top issues affecting Surrey Schools today?
 - 1) Limited spaces and too many portables, over 300 in use currently.
 - 2) Not enough teacher's aides and resource workers for special needs students.
 - 3) Not preparing our children with the technology required to succeed in today's high tech economy.
2. What are your priorities if elected and how will you implement your plans.
 - create a needs based budget.
 - find additional alternative funding sources
 - advocate strongly to the provincial government regarding increased teachers aide funding for special needs.
 - Work with businesses and technology companies to educate our children to be prepared for a more programming-centric world.
3. Surrey has too many portables. What is your plan to reduce the use of portables within SD36?
 - Build more schools, and expand existing buildings where feasible to benefit teachers, students and reduce class sizes.
4. Children need activities and programs after school. Often recreation centres are located too far from residential neighbourhoods and difficult to access. Do you support the use of school facilities after hours for recreational programs and would you advocate for this if elected?

I absolutely agree with school facilities available after school hours for recreational programs. This would be highly effective and greatly utilized by families. I would strongly advocate for this cause.