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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am pleased to introduce myself as the new principal appointed to Manmeet Singh Bhullar School. As you are likely aware, the Kindergarten to Grade 5 school is being built with the anticipated start of August 2017. This school will be operated on the modified school calendar.

As a school community, we will work together to create a learning environment worthy of honoring our namesake, Manmeet Singh Bhullar. As a role model, Mr. Bhullar brought integrity and wisdom to those whose lives he touched. It with this in mind, I will work alongside you and your children to build a vision where the core value of learning is at the center of all we do.

Currently, I am the principal of O. S. Geiger School in Castleridge and I will continue to focus my responsibilities there until April 9. I will be dedicated to the work of opening Manmeet Singh Bhullar School from April 10 until the end of June 2017.

Opening a school requires a number of key steps. In the months leading up to the new school's opening, I will be:

- connecting with existing schools to create smooth transition plans for students
- meeting with parents and students
- hiring school staff
- establishing a plan for school organization
- preparing the school budget for 2017-2018 school year

I look forward to working with parents, students and staff to build a new school community that reflects meaningful learning opportunities at Manmeet Singh Bhullar School. Until I am able to work with you in person in April, I invite you to provide input about our new school. Please fill out this brief survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BNDZJCQ> before March 31.

For information on the new school and answers to some of your questions, visit cbe.ab.ca/schools, click on Building and Modernizing Schools and then click on the link for the Manmeet Singh Bhullar School. Please check back regularly for updates as new information is posted when it becomes available. You can also e-mail cbecommunications@cbe.ab.ca with any questions related to new school construction and accommodation.

Opening a new school requires ongoing and regular communication with parents and students. I look forward to beginning our shared work together.

Sincerely,

Kevin Bauer
Principal