

Staff Report



April 16, 2024

To Board of Education (Public Meeting)

From Sean Nosek, Superintendent/CEO

Re **Youth Champion of Diversity Award Recipient – Ishi Sharma**

This report is presented to the Board for information.

BACKGROUND:

At the Fraser Valley Cultural Diversity Awards on March 7, 2024, Ishi Sharma, a grade 12 student at Yale Secondary School, was honoured in the category of Youth Champion of Diversity. This award acknowledges young individuals who have worked towards creating and building an inclusive community. Ishi received this prestigious award for her contributions in establishing an inclusive environment through her leadership roles within the Student Voice initiative at Yale Secondary School, as well as the establishment of her initiative EDI for Youth. Her commitment to fostering an inclusive environment for all youth has been the driving force behind all her actions, and this award serves as a testament to the impact of her efforts. Principal Rob Sloboda will be in attendance with Ishi, who will share her story with the Board, including her dedication to creating an inclusive environment for all youth.