

**Public Interest Disclosure Act
Board of Education of School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake)
For the period ending June 10, 2025**


The Board of Education of School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake) ("School District") became subject to the Public Interest Disclosure Act ("PIDA") on December 1, 2023. The PIDA is legislation that supports ethical and accountable practices by providing a safe and legally protected way for employees and former employees of governmental bodies to report serious wrongdoing and provides them with protection against reprisals. The types of wrongdoing that can be reported under the PIDA include:

- A serious act or omission that constitutes an offence under an enactment in BC or Canada;
- An act or omission giving rise to a substantial and specific danger to the life, health or safety of persons, or to the environment;
- A serious misuse of public funds or public assets; and
- Gross or systemic mismanagement.

Under section 38 of the PIDA, the School District is responsible for issuing this annual report on the disclosures that it received under the PIDA within the year.

The following statistics are from July 1, 2024 to June 10, 2025:

Number of Disclosures/Referrals Received	0
Number of Disclosures Acted On	0
Number of Disclosures Not Acted On	0
Number of Disclosures Investigated by the School District	0
Number of Disclosures giving rise to a finding of Wrongdoing under PIDA	0
Description of Any Findings of Wrongdoing and Related Recommendations	Not applicable
Recommendations (including those from BC Ombudsperson)	Not applicable
Corrective action taken in relation to wrongdoing ^a	Not applicable
Reasons why no corrective action taken	Not applicable



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