



A Message from the Lieutenant Governor



As Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, it is a pleasure to extend greetings to all those taking part in EAL Week, a celebration of the educators who help open doors through language.

Languages open the world around us: they connect people, expand understanding, and strengthen our communities. By teaching English as an Additional Language, you help newcomers and learners of all backgrounds find their voices, share their stories, and participate fully in the life of our province.

EAL Week is a wonderful opportunity to recognize the dedication of teachers and professionals across British Columbia— from the North and Interior to the Fraser

Valley, Metro Vancouver, and Vancouver Island— who foster inclusion and opportunity through language education.

On behalf of His Majesty King Charles III, I thank you for your commitment to excellence, your compassion for learners, and your role in making our province more welcoming, connected, and enriched by the many languages spoken here.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Wendy Cocchia, CM OBC
Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia