



January 30, 2019

Ron Ensom  
Coalition on Physical Punishment of Children and Youth  
1858 Sharel Drive  
Ottawa, ON  
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Dear Mr. Ensom:

**Re: Joint Statement on Physical Punishment of Children and Youth**

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Northland School Division I am writing to inform you of a decision made at our January 18, 2019 Corporate Board Meeting.

Northland School Division endorses the joint statement on physical punishment of children and youth. This statement closely aligns with Northland School Division Policy 19, *'Welcoming, Caring, Respectful, Safe and Healthy Learning and Working Environments'* in which the division respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging for each student and staff member.

Thank you for your extensive research and evidence against punishment of children and youth. This initiative supports Northland's number one outcome statement, *'NSD Students are strong in identity, healthy and successful.'*

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,

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c: Board of Trustees, Northland School Division