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Dear Mr. Singh:

The Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) represents locally elected school board trustees from throughout Canada, and is a champion for local democratic voice in public education. The CSBA is composed of member associations and organizations and, as such, is very well positioned to understand and advocate for the needs of Canadian students and their families.

With this experience, expertise and deep understanding of local needs, we request that you, in your preparation for the upcoming election address and call on your candidates to address the issues identified in the attached key message documents.

While education is a mandate of provincial and territorial governments, there is significant overlap between the jurisdictions of the federal government and school boards. As such, it is critical that identified needs be addressed.

We look forward to your response and to the identified issues being addressed by you and your candidates as part of your election platform.

Sincerely,

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