QUALICUM SCHOOL DISTRICT

EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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Facilitator: Trustee Elaine Young

Mandate:

To discuss and make recommendations to the Board on aspects of teaching, learning and educational equity. We will strive to have all students receive whatever they need to develop to their full academic and social potential and to thrive every day.

AGENDA

We would like to give thanks and acknowledge that the lands on which we work and learn are on the shared traditional territory of the Qualicum and Snaw-Naw-As (Nanoose) First Nations People.

1. SCHOOLS AND/OR PROGRAMS

- FESL Achievement Updates Peter a. (Grad Rates/Provincial Assessments/Others)
- b. Preliminary Enrolment Numbers - Gill
- School Codes of Conduct-Peter C.
- Bill 40 Proposed Amendments to the School Act Katie е

2. SHARED LEARNING

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AND CLIMATE ACTION 3.

4. SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY

5. INFORMATION

Coffee with Trustees a.

Next one is scheduled for False Bay School in October (date TBD to coordinate with ferry schedule as it does not run on Wednesdays in the Fall)

ITEM(S) TO RECOMMEND FOR APPROVAL TO THE BOARD MEETING 6.

- Framework for Enhancing Student Learning Report Peter a.
- School Codes of Conduct b.

7. UPCOMING TOPICS

NEXT MEETING 8.

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 2:30 p.m. via video conferencing

9. ADJOURNMENT



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(Attached)

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Framework for Enhancing Student Learning September 2024

District Context

<u>The Qualicum School District</u> resides on Coast Salish Territory and within the shared territory of the Snaw'naw'as (Nanoose) and Qualicum First Nations.

With a total student population of 4500 students, the Qualicum School District is centrally situated on east Vancouver Island, serving communities in and adjacent to the City of Parksville and Town of Qualicum. There are eight elementary schools (Grades K-7), two secondary schools (Grades 8-12), an alternate school (PASS), and a Distributed Learning program (CEAP) to augment student choice and support home-learning families. The district French Immersion program is available at Ecole' Oceanside Elementary and Ecole' Ballenas Secondary Schools. The Qualicum School district also has a thriving International Student Program, which brings approximately 140 students to the region every year.

Of the 540 students identifying as having Indigenous ancestry, 38 students reside on the local nations' land, more than 200 are Metis, and the balance cite other territories as their ancestral home, if known. The Qualicum School District also supports approximately 550 students identified as having diverse needs, and typically 30 or fewer children in care. Household income in the region is lower than the provincial average, while the cost of housing remains higher than the provincial average.

Climate and location seem to have favoured the Qualicum School District. Though workforce shortages have emerged at times when recruiting and retaining support staff, the district continues to draw high numbers of applicants for professional positions. Enrolment growth for the coming school year is again expected to be one percent or less.

This Enhancing Student Learning Report shares the achievement results of the Qualicum School District as per <u>Ministerial Order M 302</u>, and describes the key supports in place to ensure student success, as well the linkages between our <u>District Strategic Plan</u>, <u>District Operational Plans</u>, and school plans, which can be located on school websites.

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Introductory Notes

Data Examination

The primary charts showing the district data in comparison to provincial data were provided as part of a provincial template which does not provide numerical values. Data commentary is based primarily on secondary charts taken from the <u>British Columbia Student Success website</u>, which do provide numerical values, and are available to the public. If data is not shown, this is indicated by **Data Not Shown**, and if the only data shown is from the provincial template, then this is indicated by **Specific Data Not Shown**.

Influence of Demographics on Achievement Analysis

Household income and parental and caregiver education levels are <u>strong influences</u> on student achievement. <u>The British Columbia Student Success website</u> shows household income in the Qualicum School District to be \$91,385, compared to the provincial average of \$113,137. The percentage of households with post-secondary education is shown as 32%, which is also lower than the provincial average of 42%. Emerging issues related to mental health and housing scarcity have also led to increased student vulnerability in the region. As a result, achieving average levels of achievement for the All Resident Student category should be seen as commendable. Conversely, local Indigenous students are subject to fewer of the vulnerability indicators than the provincial averages for this group; therefore, district Indigenous student achievement above provincial averages or at the high end of the typical range of results should be the expected goal.

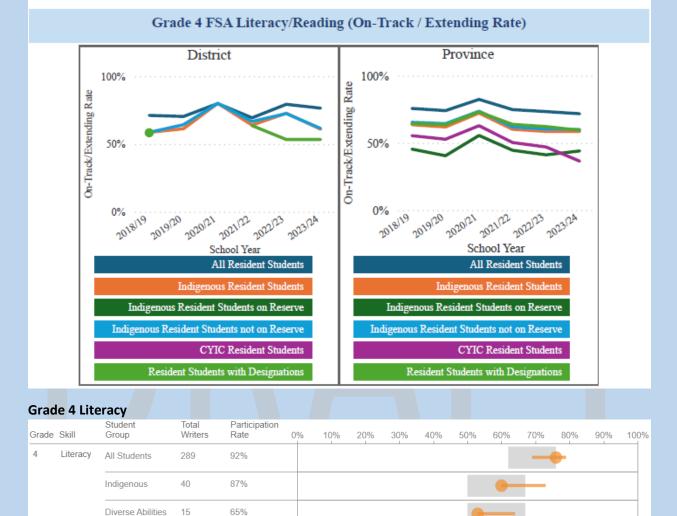
Students on Reserve and Students in Care (Success Data is Masked)

On reserve students totaled 38 as of September 30 of 2023-24, up from just 20 four years before. The District Principal of Indigenous Education makes extra effort to identify and support each on-reserve student, meets and converses almost daily with First Nations staff and community representatives, and makes sure each student is able to access all supports already existing for all students in the system. The Superintendent, Principal of Indigenous Education, and a Trustee attend monthly meetings with representatives from local nations to discuss issues that impact on-reserve students. A working group is currently revising the terms of reference for the new District Indigenous Advisory Council in accordance with Bill 40. Anecdotal reporting on the recent graduation cohort is very positive.

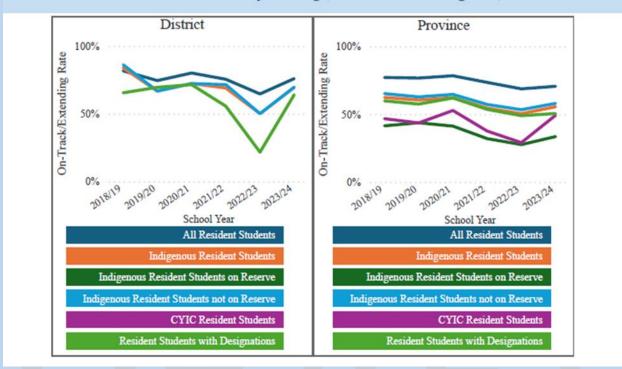
Students in care typically total between 20 and 30 at any given time with a small number of those being on youth agreements. A district social worker works directly with these students and connects with schools to help support them academically as well as socially. These students are also discussed during monthly meetings of the Oceanside Collaborative Response Committee (OCRC) which includes the school district, RCMP, Ministry of Children and Families (MCFD), Children and Youth Mental Health (CYMH), Island Health, and local health and counselling agencies such as Discovery, Sources Community Resource Centers (SCRC), and the Society of Organized Services (SOS). A "wrap around" approach is used to support students, with each resource stepping forward as appropriate. Again, anecdotally, students in care in the Qualicum School District are often more successful in this district than is typical and we believe the support of the social worker and OCRC are key reasons for this.

Educational Outcome 1: Literacy

Measure 1.1: Grade 4 & Grade 7 Literacy Expectations



District All Resident Grade 4 FSA Literacy results remained steady for the 2023-24 school year, with results at the high end of the typical range of the province at 76 percent on track or extending. The district Indigenous Student results and Students with Diverse Abilities in Grade 4 literacy were lower at 60 and 53 percent respectively, and while still inside the typical range, both have declined in comparison to provincial results and now show as slightly below average.



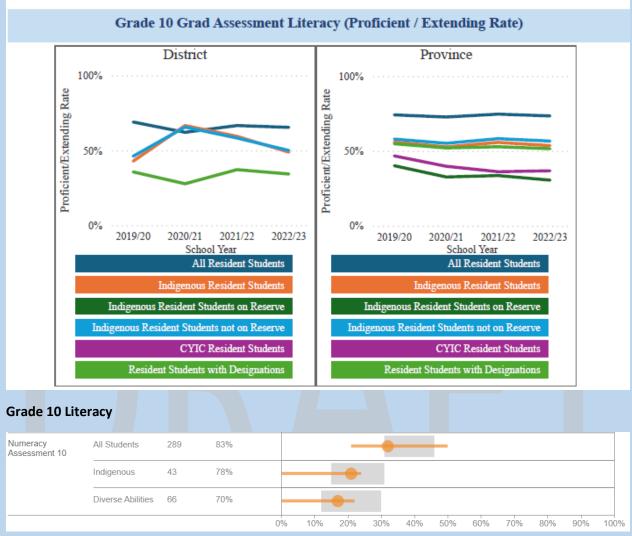
Grade 7 FSA Literacy/Reading (On-Track / Extending Rate)

Grade 7 Literacy

Gra	ide 🖇	Skill	Student Group	Total Writers	Participation Rate	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
7		Literacy	All Students	311	89%									•		
			Indigenous	48	92%						_					
			Diverse Abilities	25	61%			-				-				

District All Resident results for the 2023-24 session were within a very small percentage of results from prior years, and like the Grade 4 results, now sit at the high end of the typical BC results at 76 percent on-track or extending. The Indigenous Student results jumped up to 69 percent on track or extending with this cohort, and Students with Diverse Abilities showed at 61 percent, both below the All Resident results, but notably above the typical range of the Province for these data sets. Data in the post-pandemic years has shown a slight decline in literacy at the Grade 7 level in BC (as well as globally), so it is positive to see our district results trending positively.





District All Resident results for Grade 10 Literacy shows the percentage of students at proficient or extending at 65 percent, which is consistent with the previous three years of Graduation Assessments, and again, slightly lower than the provincial results. Grade 10 Literacy results for Indigenous students dropped to 49 percent for this cohort, which is below the provincial average and well below the All Resident Students success rate. Students with Diverse Abilities showed as proficient or extending just 34 percent of the time, which sits within the typical range for the province, but at the low end. These results are perplexing as these cohort groups all had stronger results three years ago on their FSA literacy assessments.

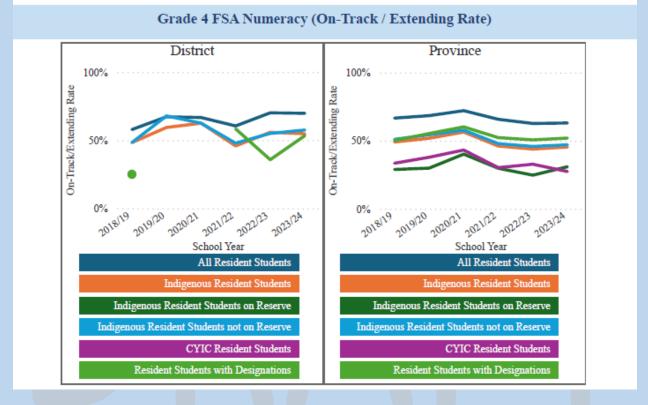
Grade 12 Literacy (Data Not Shown)

District All Resident results for Grade 12 Literacy were a percent lower than the provincial results at 71 percent showing as proficient or extending. District Indigenous writers managed to show as proficient or extending 72 percent of the time, which is well above the provincial Indigenous results and quite consistent with this cohort's results from the FSA five years prior. Students with Diverse abilities showed as proficient or extending 49 percent of the time, which is significantly lower than provincial results. This

is only the second year of the Grade 12 Literacy Assessment, and staff has expressed hope there would be a stronger showing overall in the second year, which we unfortunately did not see.

Educational Outcome 2: Numeracy

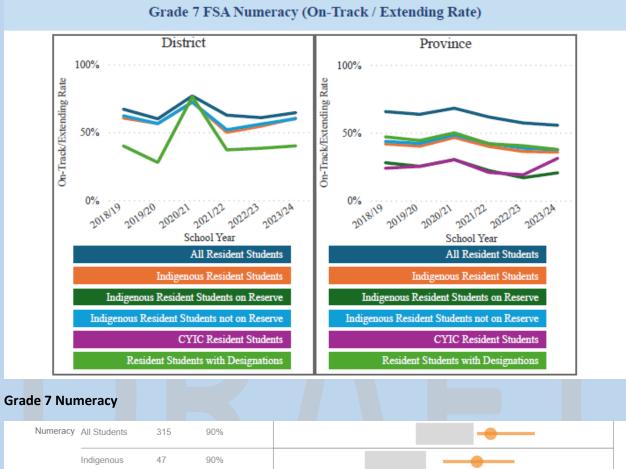
Measure 2.1: Grade 4 & Grade 7 Numeracy Expectations



Grade 4 Numeracy

Numeracy	All Students	294	94%								-			
	Indigenous	41	89%					-		-				
	Diverse Abilities	15	65%				_				-			
			(0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%

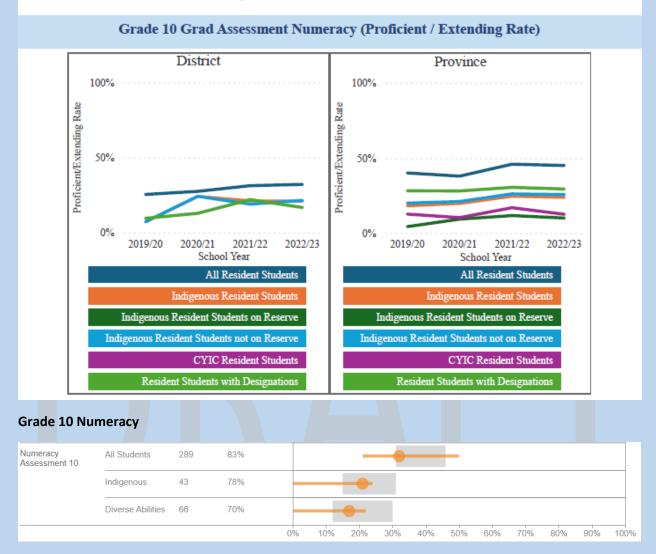
Results for 2023-24 District All Resident participants for the Grade 4 Numeracy Assessment were on the very high end of the typical range for the province, with 70 percent of students on track or extending. District Indigenous students and Students with Diverse Abilities showed as proficient or extending 54 and 53 percent of the time, respectively, both lower than the All Resident success rate, but again, at the very high end of the range of typical results for the province for these groups. The cohort numbers are smaller with these two subsets, with just 41 and 15 participants each, so we should be careful regarding assumptions given modest data validity, but the strong relative showing is still encouraging.



	Dive	erse Abilities	25	61%					•						-
				()%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
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Grade 7 Numeracy results for District All Resident Students for students showing as proficient or extending climbed slightly to 64 percent, which is well above the typical range of school districts. Similarly, District Indigenous results for Grade 7 Numeracy were up slightly to 60 percent, which is well above the typical range for school districts, and Students with Diverse Abilities are showing at 40 percent, which was at the high end of the typical range for the province.





District All Resident Students showed at the very low end of the range of typical results for the 2022-23 sessions, with just 32 percent of writers meeting the proficient and extending categories. Local Indigenous writers showed at 21 percent proficient and extending, and although closer to the mid-point of the typical range of results, is still not encouraging. Results for Students with Diverse Abilities were again below the mid-point of the typical range of results are in contrast to current FSA results, and they are not at all reflective of the FSA numeracy results for this cohort from three years prior, where participation rates were at the 90 percent level and students showed proficiency rates at or above the provincial results.

Literacy and Numeracy Strategies for Success

After a low participation year during the pandemic, the FSA facilitation process had to be rebuilt over the following three years. As communication and organization improved under more direct principal supervision, fidelity to the experience also improved, which showed in participation rates as well as assessment completion, which then showed positively in overall results. It was also postulated that the students with stronger literacy skills were more likely to not write the assessments in the low participation years, so as participation returned to previous levels, it would stand to reason having more literate students join and/or return to the assessment process would lead to the overall percentage of students on-track and extending rising as well. This is supported by the <u>FSA Progression Over Time</u> data shared on the Provincial Student Success website, which shows much higher rates of local students who were on-track and extending at the grade 7 level having not participated in their previous session than was shown in typical provincial results.

Several sessions were held in previous years to inform teachers of the design intentions of the FSA, how to interpret the Depths of Knowledge (DOKs), and how the assessments could inform their practice. These sessions were seen to be helpful in informing both literacy and numeracy instruction and planning, but have probably been more helpful in regard to numeracy, where we believe there had been limited information available to support teacher practice at the elementary level. Again, something as simple as just reviewing the student booklets after completion was not a standard practice locally.

It should also be noted the accuracy checks from provincial marking for all of the FSA sessions (Literacy and Numeracy) came back as 98/100 percent, and in the cases where there was a mismatch between local and provincial markers, the mismatch was several times more likely to have our local markers rating district students lower rather than higher. This helps assure us positive results have come from better instructional practice and more diligent assessment facilitation, rather than "softer" local marking.

The District Teaching and Learning Team is an ongoing support structure typically consisting of 3-4 fulltime teachers who support teachers directly with their practice, organize professional learning sessions and district assessments, and help select and distribute district resources. Along with the district's Director of Instruction, this key structure has been in place for a number of years and its influence should be given credit for much of the district's recent and historical success in literacy and numeracy. The following are examples of their more recent focused efforts:

- Schools are provided with their own FSA data to target areas for growth focused on the Depths of Knowledge, as well as emerging use of the FSA Item Analysis for the purpose of classroom and school planning
- Adoption of School and District wide Numeracy and Literacy Assessments including Grade Wide Writes and Island Numeracy Assessments, along with district-wide implementation of the Edplan Insight data repository for teacher and principal use
- Writing continuums to better understand at grade proficiency
- Co-organization of multiple sessions of learning rounds with Leyton Schnellert and numeracy workshops with Carol Fullerton.

In regard to the Graduation Assessments, though Literacy Assessment results have been slightly behind the province, the gap is much narrower than it has been with the Numeracy Assessment. As stated in last year's report, district students find the Numeracy Assessment particularly difficult, and results in this district have trailed well behind the provincial numeracy results in each of the last three years. We are currently considering two theories regarding the low performance we see on the Graduation Assessments.

The first theory is that our secondary math classes have been reliant on methodology more suitable to previous curricula. As a district formerly having middle schools, we still have a higher number of

generalist teachers trained in humanities than we do math and science specialists; therefore, our workforce may lack some capacity and confidence in regard to numeracy instruction. As well, teachers who are trained in mathematics may still be more comfortable with traditional instruction focusing more on process than problem-solving. The numeracy workshops mentioned above provided a wealth of strategies to engage students by focusing on problem-solving and collaborating that are a better match for the curricular skills the assessments are designed to measure. These sessions were well-received by participants, and with continued emphasis, there is hope this type of learning will help shift practice in district schools by adding both capacity and confidence in our workforce.

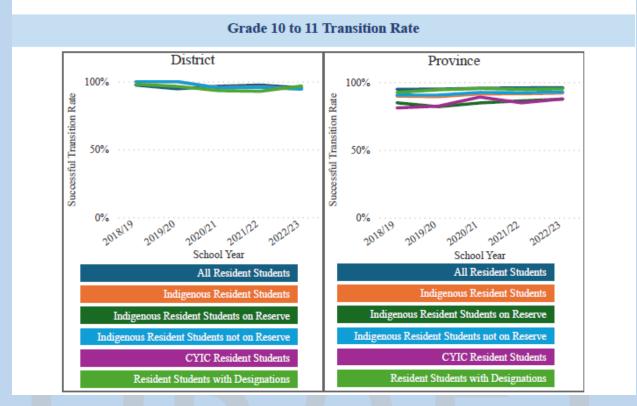
The second theory is that ongoing results may compromised by low fidelity to the assessment experience. In the years surrounding COVID our district did not effectively support the FSA, and it has taken three years to rebuild the administrative procedures and messaging it takes to maximize results. Anecdotal information suggests the Graduation Assessments have never been taken as seriously as they should be, and if we are able to alter the messaging, culture, and even the class preparation leading up to the assessment dates, district results will eventually more closely match students' actual ability. Once this occurs, then the test should become more useful as a planning tool, and changes to staff learning and instruction should follow and results will start to maximize. Though there is more ground to make up with the numeracy assessment, higher fidelity to the general assessment process may bring district literacy results back to level with the province on the Graduation Assessments.

The District now has a K/1 Snapshot across the district, and has reintroduced the District Wide Write at grades 3, 5, and 9, and has also added District Wide Numeracy Assessments at the Grade 6 and 8 levels as a means to support teachers with their assessment and instructional practices. The District-Wide Assessments and the recommended outcomes in support of the District Strategic Plan are outlined in the recently developed operational plan for student assessment titled the Assessment and Communicating Student Learning Plan.

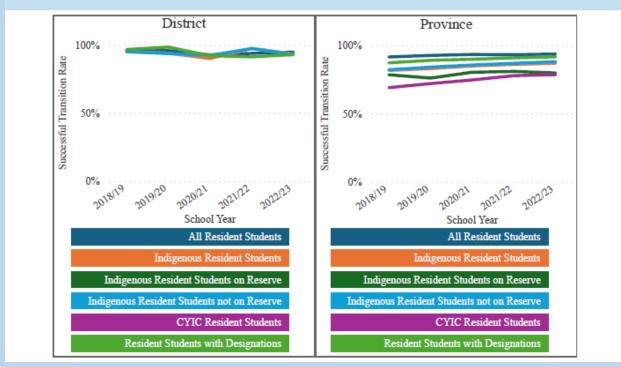
All student results for provincial, district, and classrooms assessments are now available in school and teacher EdPlan Insight accounts, which makes planning for instruction and transition much easier through the use of classroom heat mapping. Instant teacher access to student assessment results should lead to significant long-term benefits to achievement.

Meeting the needs of Students with Diverse Abilities has been a prominent topic of conversation over the recent three years. These discussions led to a full review of the District Learning Support program, which in turn led to the creation of an operational plan for learning support titled <u>Planning Learning for</u> <u>Each Student</u>, which outlines the recommended outcomes in support of the District Strategic Plan, as well as providing both philosophical and administrative guidance for staff. The Needs Response Team structure, which will be described later, was initially created out of these conversations and the recognition of the complexity teachers often face in their classrooms as the context shifts towards more fulsome student inclusion.









Grade to Grade Transition (Specific Data Not Shown)

All Resident district transition rates remained high in the 2022-23 school year throughout all levels of the school system. Curiously though, district rates were often a percentage or two below provincial rates in grades 1 through 6 (data not shown), despite the district's practice of not retaining students in those age groups. It is likely those few non-transitions were a result of out-migration to on-line schooling or out of province schools or even withdrawal from the school system. The trend reversed as the students moved through the system with district All Resident transition rates from grade 7 on showing as a percent or two higher than provincial numbers.

District transition rates for Indigenous students mirrored or remained very close to the All Resident numbers, placing them above provincial numbers by a percentage or two throughout the elementary years, with the gap widening in secondary as the provincial transition rates declined by several points in the upper secondary years (data not shown). The district Transition Rate for Indigenous grade 11 students was 100 percent in 2022-23 compared to the provincial rate for Indigenous students of 85 percent. District transition rates for Students with Diverse Abilities remained close to provincial rates, with district numbers typically either a percentage higher or lower throughout the school years, and the grade 11 numbers being 91 percent for both district and provincial students in 2022-23.

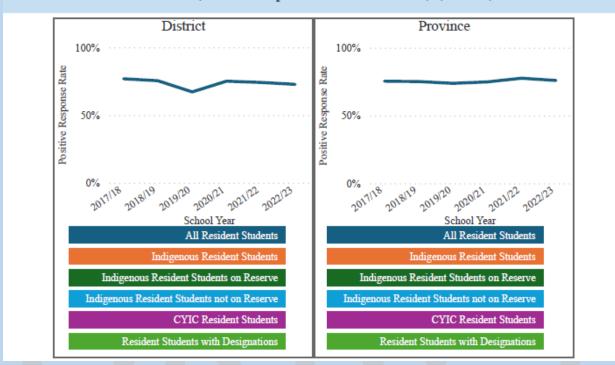
Grade to Grade Transition Strategies for Success

Grade to grade transition rates are not explicitly tracked or supported by school or district staff at this time. Success in regard to these data points can be attributed to ongoing supports in the system and a longstanding practice of moving K-9 students forward with their age appropriate cohorts, and will certainly be impacted positively by all of the strategies for success outlined below under Student Learning Survey and Completion Rates.

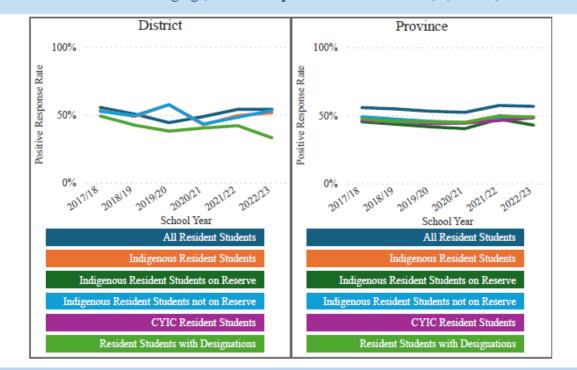
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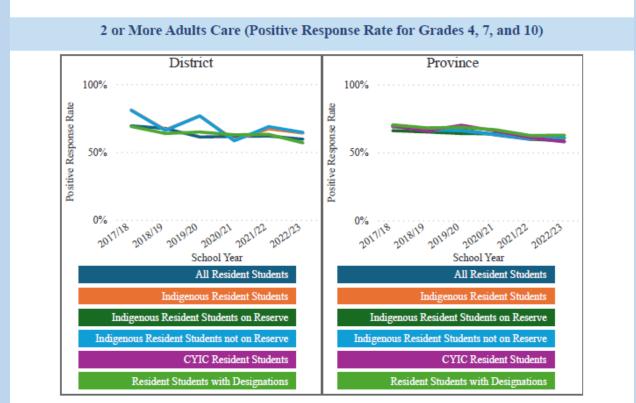
Outcome 3: Students Feel Safe, Welcome, and Connected

Feel Safe (Positive Response Rate for Grades 4, 7, and 10)



Sense of Belonging (Positive Response Rate for Grades 4, 7, and 10)





Measure 3.2: Students Feel that Adults Care About Them at School

Feel Welcome

	Grade	Student	Total		Stude	ents resp	onding N	lost of the	Time/A	ll the Tim	ie Or Agre	ee/Stron	gly Agree	
Question	Level	Group	Responses	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Do you feel welcome at your school?	Elementary	All Students	492							-				
		Indigenous	69							•		-		
	Secondary	All Students	354							-	l.			
		Indigenous	46						-		l.			

The District All Resident Student survey results for elementary students when asked if they "feel welcome" came back at 74 percent showing agreement, which was right at the top of the typical range in the province for the 2022-23. Conversely, District All Resident secondary students only showed agreement to this query 64 percent of the time, which put them at the bottom of the typical range in the province. Indigenous secondary students responded in the affirmative just 59 percent of the time, which was lower than the typical range in the province, and Indigenous elementary students responded in the affirmative 63 percent of the time, which was in the middle of the typical range for the province.

Feel Sense of Belonging

	Grade	Student	Total		Stude	ents resp	onding N	lost of th	e Time/A	ll the Tim	ne Or Agr	ee/Stron	gly Agree	9
Question	Level	Group	Responses	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Is school a place where you feel	Elementary	All Students	486							-				
like you belong?		Indigenous	70							-				
	Secondary	All Students	356					-						
		Indigenous	46					-		-				

When asked if they "had a sense of belonging" their school, 46 percent of District All Resident Students in secondary answered positively, which was near the bottom of the typical range. District Indigenous students in secondary answered the same question positively 57 percent of the time, which was well above the typical range for the province for this group. Additionally, 59 percent of District All Resident Students in elementary answered positively, which was at the top of the typical range. District Indigenous students in elementary answered the same question positively 53 percent of the time, though below the All Resident Student rate, was at the top end of the typical range for the province.

Feel Safe

	Grade	Student	Total		Stude	ents respo	onding N	lost of the	e Time/A	ll the Tim	ie Or Agr	ee/Stron	gly Agree	е
Question	Level	Group	Responses	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Do you feel safe at school?	Elementary	All Students	495								-	•		
	Secondary	All Students	351								•			

When asked if they "felt safe" at school, District All Resident Students secondary students answered positively 70 percent of the time, which was at the bottom of the typical range for 2022-23. District All Resident Students elementary students answered positively 75 percent of the time, which was in the middle of the typical range. Disaggregated data are not provided for Indigenous students or Students with Diverse Abilities for the "feel safe" question.

Adults Who Care (Specific Data Not Shown)

When asked if they could "name two or more adults who care about them" 62 percent of district students answered in the affirmative, which was slightly higher than provincial results. Indigenous Students answered positively 67 percent of the time compared to provincial results of 60 percent. Local Students with Diverse Abilities answered in the affirmative 63 percent of the time, which was the same result as the province.

Human and Social Development Strategies for Success

Conversations with school and district student voice groups, Indigenous students interviewed as part of the Equity Scan, and marginalized students who were interviewed for our Community of Practice work, as well as ongoing conversations with First Nations partners, all shared overlapping themes around school culture and relationships with the adults who support them. Anecdotal information that was collected offered some insight into the data as shown above, and their collective feedback formed the basis of summer learning for the principals, which will be followed by sessions designed for Qualicum School District staff. Secondary leadership will be spending the year specifically focused on re-culturing their schools to be more student centered based on the data collected in the aforementioned processes.

The Indigenous Education Department, in addition to and in support of tracking and supporting Indigenous student achievement, has introduced a goal of Indigenous cultural safety for the upcoming school year. Participation in clubs, teams, and events will be tracked, along with participation and data collected from Indigenous Student Voice will be collected, along with standard achievement metrics. Positive Student Learning Survey results for Indigenous students are likely influenced by the work of Indigenous Education Workers, who directly support Indigenous students and often act as advocates for social and academic needs.

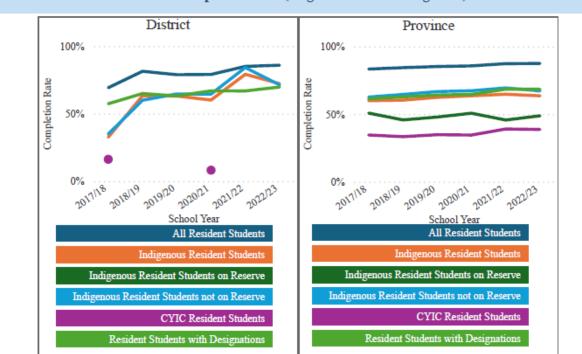
Schools teams have also increased the number and scope of orientation processes to ease transition anxiety from elementary to secondary, with additional activities being added for Indigenous students and Students with Diverse Abilities. These include additional student tours prior to enrollment, connection activities after start-up, as well as staff meetings to share student learning profiles. Ongoing conversations regarding elementary students with higher than typical absences and subsequent interventions occurred with the support of a district counsellor and District Learning Support staff.

In order to ease transition anxiety into Kindergarten, we initiated the Pre-K Transition Program two years ago in every elementary school in the district. This program invites all registered Kindergarten students who will be joining us in the following September to a two-hour a day, twice a week, six-week program that takes place in May and June. The program is too new to have any sound evidence on its impact, but anecdotal response has been highly favourable, and a recent parent and caregiver survey indicated 43 of 44 respondents would highly recommend the program to others.

The initiative above was a created in part due to ongoing conversations at our local Early Years Table. Consisting of representatives from local organizations such as SCRC, SOS, Pacific Care, Oceanside Building and Learning Together (OBLT), MCFD, CYMH, as well as the Qualicum School District. The Early Years Table reviews local trends and data, including the Early Development Instrument (EDI) survey results and then considers potential responses. This group has contributed to the creation of events like the Saturday Breakfast Club, summer literacy programming at Storybook Village, and the Family Night Out, along with the very popular Pete the Cat family event.

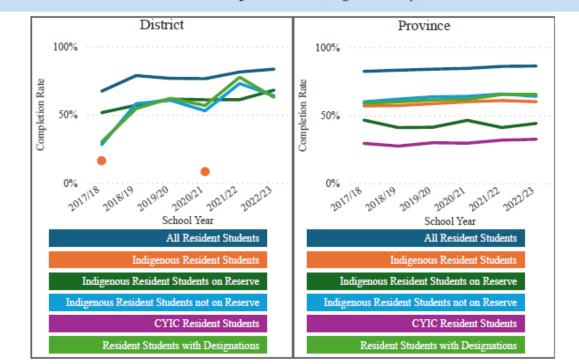
Educational Outcome 4: Graduation

Measure 4.1: Achieved Dogwood within 5 Years





5-Year Completion Rate (Dogwood Only)



Five Year Completion (Specific Data Not Shown)

The Five-Year Completion Rate for All Resident Students has climbed sharply over the past few years and now sits at 86 percent for the 2021-22 cohort, just 1 percent lower than the provincial average. The Five-Year Completion Rate for Indigenous Students was 72 percent for the 2022-23 school year, and 71 percent for the 2021-22 school year, both several percent above the provincial averages for those years. District Students with Diverse Abilities matched the provincial rates at 70 percent for the recent school year after being a percent behind the year before, and it should be noted district results for Students with Diverse have been very close to provincial numbers for the past 7 years now.

Student Group	Records 0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
BC Resident	322								-		
Indigenous	38						-				
Diverse Abilities	67							-	•		
	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%

Six Year Completion

The Six-Year District Completion Rate for All Resident Students for the 2022-23 school year is up to 91 percent, just 1 percent lower than the provincial rate, and the Six-Year completion rate for Indigenous Students is up to 85 percent, which is 11 percent above the provincial rate and at the very top end of the typical range for the province. Students with Diverse Abilities graduated in six years 77 percent of the time, dropping slightly from last year but still 1 percent above the provincial average.

Dogwood Completion Strategies for Success

All these results represent significant gains over previous years, with the Six-Year gains being especially noteworthy. The district leadership team meets with secondary school principals several times a year to review lists of vulnerable students and hear updates on supports, inventions, and progress toward completion, and this work has continued to become more refined and effective. Closer attention by the principal of Indigenous Education in regard to student interventions, and the emergence of graduation coaches (with a new job classification for 2024-25 titled Indigenous Education Advocate) in district standard high schools should help solidify positive outcomes. The Future Completion data set has been a cornerstone of this process as a means to identify and recover non-attending students, but we are hopeful the new evolving provincial data system will be able to serve this function equally well going forward.

It should be noted Adult Dogwood numbers over the last five years have ranged, without apparent trend, from 16 to 26 for non-aboriginal students and 6 to 8 for aboriginal students, indicating only a nominal influence on achievement data. Additionally, there were just two students receiving an Evergreen Certificate in the graduation cohort last year, neither of which was of Indigenous ancestry.

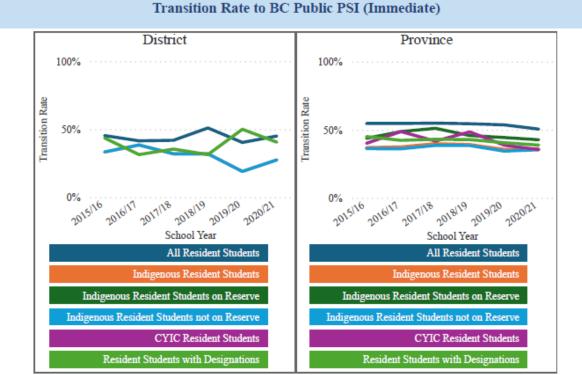
As mentioned in previous FESL reports, efforts to "right-size" the district's non-standard programs have also been helpful. Our district online learning program (CEAP) has returned to approximately 100 FTE after peaking at over 300 during the pandemic. As well, the secondary alternate program (PASS) was down just 60 FTE for last September from 120 FTE just a few years ago. We believe that while some students do benefit from these programs, the majority of students, and especially Indigenous students, are more successful in standard schools when appropriate efforts are made to support them. The most recent How Are We Doing (HAWD) report showed just 15 students of Indigenous ancestry enrolled in the PASS program as of September 20, 2023, down from an average of twice that number over previous years. Recent work at the secondary schools has focused on the expansion of flexible and supportive "soft-alt" programs would allow students to remain in the building, access some mainstream classes, be in close connection to peers and key adults, but also have access to a more discreet and supportive environment for parts of the day to help with emotional safety and self-regulation.

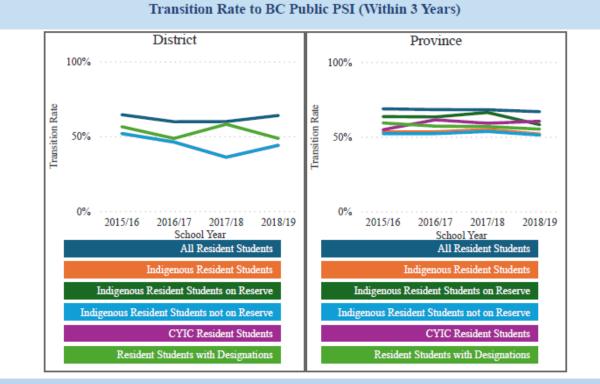
District standard secondary schools will be examining school culture in a focused and intentional manner, and as an extension of the work described above in the Student Learning Section, the focus will be to leverage the Strategic Plan goal areas of To Give, To Grow, and To Belong in order to build more positive and supportive relationships between staff and students to improve student success. These concepts are being woven into enhanced attendance responses, which will make use of improved data availability, leverage the existing school-based team structures, and increase positive communication with households, all in an aligned manner across both schools.

Additionally, our two standard secondary schools will be moving to aligned timetables for the 2024-25 school year. Both will have linear courses for grade 8 and 9 students to promote relationships, semestered courses for grades 10 through 12 to promote choice, and the daily block rotation will no longer cross over lunch, so part-time programs and partnerships with work placements and post-secondary will be much easier to arrange. Students will also be able to cross-enroll between the two schools as a means to improve choice by accessing niche programming not offered at their home school. We believe these changes have the potential for positive impact in regard to overall student success for struggling and excelling students alike.



Measure 5.1: Post-Secondary Transitions





Transition to Post-Secondary (Specific Chart Not Shown)

In regard to Immediate Transition to Post Secondary, district All Resident Students did this 41 percent of the time, compared to the provincial average of 50 percent. Recent data results were unavailable to share for local Indigenous students or Students with Diverse Abilities. When considering Post-Secondary Transition over 3 Years, district All Resident Students and their provincial counterparts showed the same results in 2020-21 as students who had graduated only 1 year prior, which were declines of more than 15 percent from 2 years prior, with the most obvious influence in the difference being the pandemic. District Indigenous students managed to Transition to Post Secondary 28 percent of the time compared to provincial Indigenous students who did so 36 percent of the time, and district Students with Diverse Abilities did the same 39 percent of the time, 2 percent less often than provincial results.

Transition to Post-Secondary Strategies for Success

Staff have noted overall transition to post-secondary is down in the post-pandemic era, and certainly provincial institutions are being pressed to respond. As partners in education, it is incumbent on us to reinvigorate our portrayal of the positive aspects of post-secondary learning whenever and however practicable. We believe the upcoming changes to the secondary timetables will support staff in increasing secondary school partnerships with post-secondary, which should help with enrollment. We will also consider running a morning bus to our local university as a strategy to remove the barrier of transportation preventing some students from attending, but the plausibility of this concept will need to examined as part of the upcoming transportation review.

District Strategic Planning

Strategic Planning 2023-2027

The Qualicum School District engaged in the development of a new District Strategic Plan during the 2022-23 school year. The process began with a Board retreat in August to review and revise the Board of Educations Mission, Vision, and Values. Surveys for staff and parents and caregivers along with conversations with student focus groups created data for consideration. Through February and March, the Superintendent of Schools met with a group of 40 stakeholder reps to examine the data through the lens of the Board's Mission, Vision, and Values and the Province's Framework for Enhancing Student Learning. Check-ins on the draft plan occurred in March with the final version of the five-year plan approved by the Board in June of 2023.

The District Strategic Plan uses methodology developed by Birk and Larsen branded as Observable Impact. At the core of the planning process is the "S-E-T", which identifies what the student is expected to do (S), what the educator is expected to do (E), and what task or outcome or artifact is expected as a result (T). We also added what the district is expected to do in support to add a layer of accountability (D). Operational plans for Learning Services and Assessment have followed, with more operational plans expected to follow in the new year.

All district schools (and programs) now use the SET methodology for their own Impact Plans, and are expected to pull goals and outcomes from the District Strategic Plan and/or Operational Plans for their school or program goals. Classrooms teachers are then expected to select a goal from their School Impact Plan to pursue for the school year. District staff meet twice a year with principals to discuss school goal selection and progress in additional to their Ignite style presentations for the Board of

Education in May. School principals also meet with their classroom teachers twice a year (or more) to discuss classroom goals.

Knowing authentic adoption of district level goals throughout the system is often going to require changes to practice in classrooms, the district has introduced the concept of the Needs Response Team (NRT). The NRT is a focused professional learning community of peers that supports a teacher with their instructional challenge related to District, Operational, or School Impact Plans through release time and guided facilitator support. More than 30 NRT groups have been initiated since this opportunity has been made available in January 2024.

Alignment Between District and Schools



The chart shown above is a visual frequently used in presentations to help describe how alignment is expected to occur once the Strategic Plan was approved. Despite being encouraged to complete work on prior goals in schools before moving to new ones, current school goals have quickly aligned with the District Strategic Plan goals of To Learn, To Give, To Grow, and To Belong. Given the very short elapsed time since the official launch of the new District Strategic Plan, the shift towards authentic goal adoption is most encouraging. The most recent school SETs submitted in June of 2024 were loaded into ChatGPT, which organized them by goal area, then summarized them into the content below:

Summary of District's Areas of Focus for Each Goal

To Learn – Focusing on student curricular skills and competencies that lead to meaningful graduation and a successful life beyond school

Our district emphasizes developing essential curricular skills for academic success and future endeavors. Key areas of focus include:

- Encouraging daily writing practice and experimentation with different styles.
- Using feedback for continuous improvement in writing.
- Promoting flexibility and real-world application in numeracy.
- Ensuring students can independently choose and read material at their level, engage in oral activities confidently, and use various support tools.
- Supporting students in articulating their learning goals and understanding their importance.
- Setting and reflecting on meaningful goals with educator support.
- Using flexible, creative, and critical thinking to solve problems across contexts.
- To Give Students leading local and global change

Our district fosters student leadership and civic engagement by encouraging activities that lead to positive change locally and globally. Key areas of focus include:

- Promoting personal confidence, pride, and empathy.
- Helping students identify and work towards personal and class goals.

• Encouraging students to make choices about their learning and select the necessary strategies, tools, and supports.

To Grow – Supporting all learners in pursuit of equity of outcomes Our district is committed to equity in educational outcomes. Key areas of focus include:

- Promoting flexibility and real-world application in numeracy.
- Utilizing a strength-based approach for inclusion, instruction, and assessment.
- Supporting student goal setting with necessary resources.
- Continuously assessing and providing feedback on students' progress with flexible tools.
- Explicitly teaching tools, routines, and strategies with access to technology and visuals.
- Reinforcing growth mindset and promoting reflection on evidence across contexts.
- Applying number sense to real-world situations.
- Using diverse strategies and tools to help students meet their goals.

To Belong – Developing critical social skills and all of the strategies necessary for a healthy self Our district fosters a sense of belonging by helping students develop essential social skills and well-being strategies. Key areas of focus include:

- Ensuring students feel safe and connected at school.
- Engaging staff in meaningful class reviews and goal-setting processes.
- Providing professional learning opportunities and resources aligned with class goals.

These summaries highlight our district's commitment to holistic education, ensuring students are prepared for academic success and meaningful lives beyond school.

Alignment Between the District Strategic Plan and FESL for 2024-25

Goal Area:	Focus for 2024-25:	Desired Outcome:
To Learn	 Better data access through expanded Edplan Insight usage Triangulation of results between classroom, district, and provincial assessments Increased secondary numeracy instructional confidence and higher assessment fidelity 	 Continued success with FSA results Grad assessment results at or above provincial results
To Give To Grow	 More fulsome and positive responses to low attendance Use of student focus group data to work on school culture and encourage positive 	 Continued success with completion outcomes Student learning survey results more consistently positive
To Belong	 relationships Aligned timetables at secondary with reduced rotations Enhanced transition strategies into K and from elementary to secondary 	 Improved PSI transition rates

Following each data set shared in this document, the district's current and ongoing strategies for success were described. The chart shown above specifies which strategies are being highlighted for the coming school year, which Strategic Plan Goal area is most supported by that strategy, and which achievement metrics should be most impacted. We look forward to supporting continuous student success in the Qualicum School District, and using the strategies as outlined in this report to help address our Strategic Plan in the 2024-25 school year.



ARROWVIEW ELEMENTARY

CODE OF CONDUCT

The Arrowview Elementary School Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents and guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and **Childcare Guidelines**, and in support of Qualicum School District **Code of Conduct** and **Policy**, and the laws of BC and Canada.

The Code of Conduct reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the **BC Human Rights Code**, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age. We are a community that celebrates and values the diversity of our members.

CARING MATRIX								
We are Safe:	We are Respectful:	We are Responsible:	We are Kind:					
 Solve problems peace-fully. Use strategy: Talk, Walk Away, Ask Keep our bodies (hands and feet) to self. Follow directions of school staff. Wear appropriate safety gear (eg. hel- mets) when travelling to school on bike or scooter. Walk bike/scooter while on school property. Refrain from bringing toys which resemble weapons (including wa- ter guns). Stay home when sick. Wash hands and cover sneezes/ coughs. Remain within school boundaries unless su- pervised by staff or guardian. 	 Treat others the way we wish to be treated, on school grounds, field trips (bus), coming and going from home, and in our community. While on a bus abide by <u>SD69 Transportation guidelines</u>. Arrive to school dressed appropriately for school activities and weather. Follow dress code guidelines outlined in SD69 <u>District Policy 700</u> (eg. not wearing clothes which feature symbols that promote the use of controlled substances, have vulgar words, pictures or drawings; are derogatory to a person's ethnic background, national origin, sexual orientation or disability; damages or marks school property; hampers participation in programs or activities. 	 Take care of our bodies with enough sleep, healthy food, exercise and cleanliness. Take care of our environ- ment by reducing gar- bage, using reusable items, and composting. Keep school grounds and learning spaces clean and tidy. Distracted Free Learning Environment (use cell phones and other de- vices only with teacher's permission and for edu- cational purposes) Use media/ technology according to SD69 <u>Dis- trict Policy</u> and ensure the privacy of others. <i>Avoid taking photos of others without permission from a teacher or Admin.</i> Demonstrate digital citi- zenship expectations with all technology. 	 Speak kindly and positively about oth- ers. Avoid teasing and name-calling. Participate respect- fully using words and actions to include oth- ers. Use school materials, library books and de- vices with care so they are ready for the next person. Advocate for others when they need help. Treat nature on school grounds and other outside spaces with respect and care. Leave creatures in their natural habitat. Participate in school teams, clubs and in- vite others to join you! 					

Arrowview has four pillars to guide conduct and ensure a caring environment.



ARROWVIEW ELEMENTARY

CODE OF CONDUCT

Unacceptable Behaviours may include:

- Harassment, intimidation, threats (including social media/ cyber) and bullying.
- Harming self or others (violent behavior)
- Destructive behavior of school property (A student who damages school property or the personal belongings of another member of the community may be required to pay for repairs and/or replacement).
- Distraction Free Learning Environment (eg. using cell phone or other devices for non-educational purposes while on school grounds during instructional time, including supervised time at recess).

Safe Reporting:

 The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct. Qualicum District Code of Conduct.

When we make mistakes:

Discipline, strategies, and consequences are used to teach and guide students to demonstrate appropriate behavior. Positive discipline provides the opportunity to grow, and helps children understand and take **responsibility** for their actions empowering them to resolve problems peacefully, make amends to others, and to learn from making a mistake.

Problem-Solving Strategies

Whenever possible staff use positive supports and recognize the importance of self-regulation strategies when dealing with the Code of Conduct. Students are encouraged and supported to use their voice and request breaks (body, brain, sensory), alternate work environments, adult or peer support, or a variety of learning tools. Students are encouraged to use **TWA** (**Talk, Walk, Ask**) as a problem-solving strategy.

Each classroom has a consistent set of guidelines, expectations and routines suitable for the age and needs of the children. To encourage appropriate behaviour, classroom teachers use a variety of positive behaviour management strategies and reinforcements.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD.

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

In responding to concerns, we will consider a student's academic, social-emotional and physical development including **age**, **maturity**, **and special needs**. Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural nature. Whenever possible, we will strive to focus on responses that are restorative rather than punitive.

Suspension

In accordance with the School Act, Sec. 85(2)(ii) and (d) the Board authorizes the Principal or designate of any school in the district to suspend a student from attendance at school for up to five days. Suspensions may be for the following reasons:

- A. Because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.
- B. Because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.
- C. Because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Senior Staff member (as per Board Policy 701: Student Discipline and its attendant Administrative Procedures, and Section 85 of the School Act).



Bowser Elementary School



CODE OF CONDUCT (Updated April 2024)

The Bowser Elementary School Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents/guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age. Our BES community celebrates and values the diversity of ALL our members.

We Care About Others by:	We Care About Ourselves by:	We Care About this Place by:
 Treating others, the way we wish to be treated in all areas of our school community (inside, playground, field trips, school bus, and in the neighborhood). Respecting others' privacy, in person and online, and using technology/media safely and appropriately. Following the directions of school staff at all times, including cell phones use (at classroom teacher discretion). Understanding that discrimination will not be tolerated in our school. 	 Taking care of our bodies with enough sleep, healthy food, exercise and cleanliness. Coming to school dressed for the weather and staying home when we are sick. Staying on school grounds unless supervised by staff or guardian. Trying our best in all school activities to the best of our abilities. Communicating with school staff when we are upset for any reason. 	 Keeping our classrooms & shared spaces orderly. Using school materials, library books and devices with care & respect. Washing our hands frequently. Moving safely and quietly around the school, keeping to the right side of hallways and stairwells. Treating nature on our grounds, and other outside spaces with respect and care.
	When we make mistakes we:	

When we make mistakes we:

At BES, we follow a restorative process for solving all problems by taking responsibility and apologizing for our actions, make amends to whomever was harmed, solve conflicts peacefully, and learn from our mistakes.

Behaviours that we do not accept:

There is zero tolerance for violence, weapons, bullying, intimidation or harassment regardless of race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical and mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identification or expressions, and age. As per Board Policy #700 and #700AP, all reported incidents will be investigated. When confirmed, the incident will be recorded on an Incident Report Form, parents contacted and copies of the form discussed at Health & Safety meetings. Parents of offending students will be required to meet with the Principal at which time Board Policy #700 and #700AP will be explained fully. Offending students will be first subjected to opportunities to solve the problem(s) through restorative practices, and can be subject to progressive Out of School Suspensions (O.S.S.) as outlined in Board Policy, if the problem(s) cannot be solved through restorative practices.

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Safe Reporting:

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take all reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against any student who has made a complaint regarding an incident or event of a breach of the BES Code of Conduct.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the BES Code of Conduct, including legal guardians, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD.

Distraction Free Environment:

Using cell phones and/or other devices for **instructional purpose**s are at each classroom teacher discretion. Use of cell phone or other devices for non-educational purposes while on school grounds is prohibited at all times, unless with permission from school admin.

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

- Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development. Whenever possible, we strive will focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.
- Responses will take into consideration the student's age, maturity, and special needs.
- The school will ensure the **safety of all students comes first** and will be diligent in addressing these individual issues (i.e. needs to state that however these are factors these students behaviours will still be addressed to ensure safety of all students).
- In application of our BES Code of Conduct, special considerations may apply to students with special needs if those students are unable to comply due to having a disability of an **intellectual**, **physical**, **sensory**, **emotional or behavioural nature**. We strive to work with students with special considerations.
- School officials have the right and responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct (i.e. parents, school district officials, RCMP, MCFD).

Suspensions

Although all student infractions will at first follow a restorative process in resolution, in accordance with the School Act, Sec. 85(2)(ii) and (d) the Board authorizes the Principal or designate of any school in the district to suspend a student from attendance at school for up to five days. Suspensions may occur for the following reasons:

a. because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.

b. because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.

c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct and/or the restorative practices outlined in the resolution process.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the Director of Instruction as per Board Policy 701: Student Discipline and Section 4 of its attendant Administrative Procedure which states an educational program must be provided.



ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY



CODE OF CONDUCT

The Errington Elementary School Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents and guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the **BC Human Rights Code**, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age.

We are a community that celebrates and values diversity and inclusivity of our members.

MATRIX

We act SAFELY by	We act RESPECTFULLY by:	We act RESPONSIBILY by:
✓ Solving problems peacefully	 ✓ Treating others kindly, on school 	 ✓ Using school materials, library
 Communicating respectfully and 	grounds, buses, and in our	books and devices with care.
using kind words	community	 ✓ Keeping our classrooms,
✓ Being aware of how others	✓ Following the <u>SD69</u>	shared spaces, playground and
may feel and taking steps to	Transportation guidelines when	community clean and free
make them feel included	on the bus	from litter and vandalism.
✓ Following the requests of	✓ Using strategies to recognize	✓ Taking care of our bodies
school staff	and manage our emotions	with enough sleep, healthy
 Wearing clothing and footwear 	 ✓ Accepting responsibility for our 	food, exercise and
that are appropriate for safe	actions	cleanliness.
participation in educational	✓ Building positive relationships	✓ Using media/technology
programs and play activities.	✓ Working with others to achieve	according to District Policy
✓ Staying home when sick	common goals	✓ Demonstrating digital
✓ Remaining within school	✓ Understanding that we are anti-	citizenship expectations with
boundaries unless supervised	racist	all technology and ensuring
by staff or guardians		the privacy of others.

When we make mistakes we: Take ownership of our behavior and its impact. With support, we work to fix what we can and move forward in a positive way.

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Behaviours We Do Not Accept:
Bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, intimidation, threatening, or violent behaviours; discrimination of any kind; being under the influence or in possession of substances including tobacco and vapor products.
Distraction Free Learning Environment:
The use of technology at school should be for educational purposes. Personal digital devices, including cell phones, should be left at home, or kept concealed in backpacks for the school day.
Safe Reporting:
The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct.
Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:
School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD
Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:
Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development is essential. Whenever possible, we strive to focus on responses that are restorative rather than punitive . Responses will take into consideration the student's age, maturity, and special needs . Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural
nature.
Suspension In accordance with the School Act, Sec. 85(2)(ii) and (d) the Board authorizes the Principal or designate of any school in the district to suspend a student from attendance at school for up to five days. Suspensions may be for the following reasons:
 a. because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.
b. because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.
c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct.
Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Director of Instruction as per the District Student Code of Conduct, AP 350. As per AP 350 6.7.1 an educational program must be provided



False Bay School



CODE OF CONDUCT (Updated June 15)

The False Bay School Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents/guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age. Our FBS community celebrates and values the diversity of ALL our members.

We Care About Others by:	We Care About Ourselves by:	We Care About this Place by:
 ✓ Treating others, the way we wish to be treated in all areas of our school community (inside, playground, field trips, school bus, and in the neighborhood). ✓ Respecting others' privacy, in person and online, and using technology/media safely and appropriately. ✓ Following the directions of school staff at all times, including cell phones use (at classroom teacher discretion). ✓ Understanding that discrimination will not be tolerated in our school. 	 ✓ Taking care of our bodies with enough sleep, healthy food, exercise and cleanliness. ✓ Coming to school dressed for the weather and staying home when we are sick. ✓ Staying on school grounds unless supervised by staff or guardian. ✓ Trying our best in all school activities to the best of our abilities. ✓ Communicating with school staff when we are upset for any reason. 	 Keeping our classrooms & shared spaces orderly. Using school materials, library books and devices with care & respect. Washing our hands frequently. Moving safely and quietly around the school, keeping to the right side of hallways and stairwells. Treating nature on our grounds, and other outside spaces with respect and care.
	When we make mistakes we:	

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At FBS, we follow a restorative process for solving all problems by taking responsibility and apologizing for our actions, make amends to whomever was harmed, solve conflicts peacefully, and learn from our mistakes.

Behaviours that we do not accept:

At FBS, there is zero tolerance for violence, weapons, bullying, intimidation or harassment regardless of race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical and mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identification or expressions, and age. As per Board Policy #700 and #700AP, all reported incidents will be investigated. When confirmed, the incident will be recorded on an Incident Report Form, parents contacted and copies of the form discussed at Health & Safety meetings. Parents of offending students will be required to meet with the Principal at which time Board Policy #700 and #700AP will be explained fully. Offending students will be first subjected to opportunities to solve the problem(s) through restorative practices, and can be subject to progressive Out of School Suspensions (O.S.S.) as outlined in Board Policy, if the problem(s) cannot be solved through restorative practices.

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Safe Reporting:

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take all reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against any student who has made a complaint regarding an incident or event of a breach of the FBS Code of Conduct.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the FBS Code of Conduct, including legal guardians, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD.

Distraction Free Environment:

Using cell phones and/or other devices for **instructional purpose**s are at the intermediate classroom teacher discretion. Use of cell phone or other devices for non-educational purposes while on school grounds is prohibited at all times, unless with permission from head teacher.

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

- Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development. Whenever possible, we strive will focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.
- Responses will take into consideration the student's age, maturity, and special needs.
- The school will ensure the **safety of all students comes first** and will be diligent in addressing these individual issues (i.e. needs to state that however these are factors these students behaviours will still be addressed to ensure safety of all students).
- In application of our FBS Code of Conduct, special considerations may apply to students with special needs if those students are unable to comply due to having a disability of an **intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional or behavioural nature**. We strive to work with students with special considerations.
- School officials have the right and responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct (i.e. parents, school district officials, RCMP, MCFD).

Suspensions

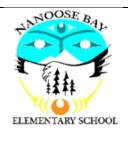
Although all student infractions will at first follow a restorative process in resolution, in accordance with the School Act, Sec. 85(2)(ii) and (d) the Board authorizes the Principal or designate of any school in the district to suspend a student from attendance at school for up to five days. Suspensions may occur for the following reasons:

a. because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.

b. because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.

c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct and/or the restorative practices outlined in the resolution process.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the Director of Instruction as per Board Policy 701: Student Discipline and Section 4 of its attendant Administrative Procedure which states an educational program must be provided.



NANOOSE BAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2024 - 2025



CODE OF CONDUCT

The Nanoose Bay Elementary School Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents and guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age.

We are a community that celebrates and values the diversity of our members.

		CARING MATRIX	
	The NBES Matrix is designed based	d on BC's Core Competencies and the	First Peoples Principles of Learning
	We Care About Others by:	We Care About Ourselves by:	We Care About this Place by:
✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	Communicating respectfully and using kind words. Building positive and healthy relationships. Being aware of how others may feel and taking steps to make them feel included. Making choices that keep me and others safe. Working with others in a positive, safe and respectful manner. Demonstrating respectful and inclusive behavior. Helping and supporting others to make healthy choices.	 Persevering with challenging tasks. Making healthy choices with my friends and relationships. Asking for help when needed. Using strategies to recognize and manage emotions and behaviors. Taking ownership of my learning and behaviors. Experimenting with different ways of doing things and stepping out of my comfort zone. 	 Recognizing and respecting that we live and learn, on the territory of the Snaw'naw'as First Nation. Being an important member of the school community. Thinking about how my choices impact my community. Recognizing the consequences of my actions. Showing respect for all learning environments, which encompasses both our school
√	Respecting and being thoughtful of others opinions and choices.	 ✓ While on a bus abide by <u>SD69</u> <u>Transportation guidelines</u> 	and natural surroundings.

Distraction Free Learning Environment

Clothing and footwear need to be appropriate for school, which is our working and learning environment. We ask students not to wear clothing with: <u>District Policy 700</u>

- offensive, violent, suggestive or hateful words or pictures.
- rude sayings or slogans.
- pictures or sayings involving alcohol, drugs or tobacco.

These guidelines apply for all school functions and events. We would appreciate your cooperation, support and understanding of these guidelines.

Students are to refrain from inappropriate use of computers, cellular phones, cameras and/or other communication/wireless devices. *Electronic devices should be turned off and kept in your locker or backpack during class time unless students have been given permission to use it for educational purposes.* Videos and pictures can only be taken with the consent of the teacher and students. Personal devices should not be used at recess, lunch or between classes. <u>District Policy</u>

When we make mistakes we:

Take ownership of our behavior and its impact. With support, we work to fix what we can, and move forward in a positive way.

Behaviours We Do Not Accept

Any behaviours that compromise the safety or well-being of any members of the school community, or the place that we learn.

Safe Reporting

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD.

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour

Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development. Whenever possible, we strive will focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.

Responses will take into consideration the student's **age, maturity, and special needs**. Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural nature.

Suspension

In accordance with the School Act, Sec. 85(2)(ii) and (d) the Board authorizes the Principal or designate of any school in the district to suspend a student from attendance at school for up to five days. Suspensions may be for the following reasons:

a. because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.

b. because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.

c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Director of Instruction as per the District Student Code of Conduct, AP 350. As per AP 350 6.7.1 an educational program must be provided.



Ecole Oceanside Elementary



CODE OF CONDUCT

The Ecole Oceanside Elementary Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents and guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age.

We are a community that celebrates and values the diversity of our members.

At Ecole Oceanside Elementary

Ecole Oceanside Elementary strives to be a kind, caring, inclusive learning community where everyone belongs. It is the responsibility of all members of our community to develop and maintain a considerate and cooperative environment for all. We all have the right to learn in a respectful, safe and inclusive environment. All members of our community contributed to our Social Contract found on the last page of this document.

 Communicating respectfully and using kind words Understanding that racism and discrimination will not be tolerated in our school Showing empathy and an awareness of how others may feel Travelling to and from school in accordance with our Code of Conduct and <u>Transportation Guidelines</u> Making safe choices in the school, on the playground, and while on field trips Being thoughtful of other opinions Being an upstander and advocating for others when they need help Respecting others' privacy, in person and online Communicating respecting traking care of our bodies with enough sleep, healthy food and exercise Coming to school dressed for the weather Coming to school dressed for the weather Staying home when we are sick Washing our hands frequently Using strategies to recognize and manage our emotions Persevering with challenging tasks Asking for help when needed Solving conflicts peacefully Staying on school grounds unless supervised by staff or guardian Respecting others' privacy, in person and online Making softer others of property

When we make mistakes we

• Take responsibility and make amends to whomever/whatever was harmed

• Work to fix what we can and move forward in a positive way, learning from our mistake We believe that positive discipline provides opportunities to learn and grow. Restorative practices help children reflect, understand and be responsible for their actions. In turn, this empowers students to resolve problems peacefully. Discipline is generally progressive and consequences are determined by the individual situation. **Range of Strategies used at Ecole Oceanside Elementary:** Problem solving with staff, Parent/caregiver involvement, Circles, Peer mediation, Restitution, Restorative justice, Loss of privilege; Behaviour contract, Counselling, Detention, Time out, Reduced day, In-school suspension, Out-of-school suspension

Behaviours We Do Not Accept at Ecole Oceanside Elementary:

Any behavior that compromises the safety or well-being of any member of our community. This includes bullying, cyberbullying, discrimination, harassment, intimidation, threatening, or violent behaviours. Repeated negative behavior that is disruptive to others and physically damaging property will also not be accepted. While interventions tend to be progressive, there are instances where a severe consequence may be warranted. Students may also be subject to consequences prescribed in specific School Board Policies.

Distraction Free Learning Environment:

Students are to refrain from inappropriate use of school computers, cameras and/or other communication/wireless devices. Personal devices should be turned off and kept in lockers or backpacks during class time unless students have been given permission to use the device for educational purposes. Personal devices should not be used at recess, lunch or between classes. Pictures and videos can only be taken with the consent of the teacher and students. <u>District Policy</u>

Clothing and footwear need to be appropriate for school. Students will follow dress code guidelines outlined in <u>District Policy</u> and will not be permitted to wear clothes which:

- have symbols that promote the use of controlled substances
- have vulgar words, pictures or drawings
- feature offensive, violent, suggestive or hateful content

Safe Reporting:

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents/caregivers, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development. Whenever possible, we strive to focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.

Responses will take into consideration the student's **age, maturity, and special needs**. Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural nature

Suspension

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- a. because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.
- b. because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.
- c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Senior Staff member (as per Board Policy 701: Student Discipline and its attendant Administrative Procedures, and Section 85 of the School Act) an educational program must be provided.

Ecole Oceanside Elementary Social Contract

We recognize and respect that we live and learn of the traditional territory of the Snaw'naw'as and Qualicum First Nations.

Ecole Oceanside Elementary is a kind, caring, inclusive learning community where everyone belongs. It is the responsibility of all members of our community to maintain a considerate and cooperative environment for all.

We all have the right to learn in a respectful, safe and inclusive environment.

Playgrounds	Hallways	Assembly	Technology
We believe in being kind to others and our environment. We want to have fun and play in a safe, clean and inclusive place. We are mindful of our surroundings.	We want our hallways to feel safe and clean. We believe in calm bodies and quieter voices. Work being displayed on bulletin boards is important to us.	We want presenters to feel welcome. We believe that our assemblies should be respectful. We want to be able to hear, see and enjoy the presentation.	We believe our technology should work properly for everyone. We will make safe choices online and use equipment appropriately.
 We take turns with equipment: We go down the slide, one at a time, feet first; then move away from bottom One way on monkey bars One person per swing Two at a time on the saucer swings Four at a time on the rainbow structure We clean up after ourselves We listen to supervisors and adults; We listen when someone says 'stop' or 'no' We follow the rules of the games we play. If we want to join in, we ask politely. We try to include everyone We do not litter. We will put garbage and recycling into the proper bins We take care of shared equipment and toys We stay out of gardens and off trees. Sand and woodchips stay on the ground, where they belong; we respect other's creations in the sandpit We come dressed for the weather 	We will walk with calm bodies and quiet voices so we don't disturb the learning of others We will walk on the right-hand side of hallways and stairs so there is room for everyone We keep our hands to ourselves and off displays and bulletin boards We are always careful on stairs, watching where we are going We want our washrooms to be safe and clean. We put paper towels in bins, flush toilets and respect the privacy of others We show kind manners by holding the door for others and saying please and thank you We always use kind words We stay outside at recess. If we use the washroom, we go straight back outside Intermediate students understand that they are role models for younger students and have the responsibility to help set expectations	We will listen politely to the speaker If we want to contribute, we put up our hands We stay seated so everyone can see We will show our appreciation by clapping politely We will enter and exit the gym calmly We will use the washroom ahead of time Our Grade 7s will sit on benches whenever possible	We will take the time to return and plug in devices in the correct spot We will log off properly so computers are ready for the next person We will carry, use and close laptops and iPads carefully We will keep food and drinks away from devices We will stay on task; we only go on websites approved by teachers We will not add, delete apps or download content without permission Our cell phones stay in backpacks during the school day unless being *used for educational purposes. If we need to call home, we go to the office We ask permission to take and share photos and videos of others
 No littering No throwing sand, rocks or wood chips No swearing No fighting/violence No climbing fences 	 No running, shouting or bouncing balls inside No sliding down rails No pushing, shoving or swearing No touching displays 	 No talking during performances No hollering or stomping 	 No violent games No vandalizing *No cell phones during the school day No food or drinks around technology



QUALICUM BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



CODE OF CONDUCT

The Qualicum Beach Elementary School Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and PAC to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, color, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age.

We are a community that celebrates and values the diversity of our members

AT OUR SCHOOL		
We Are Explorers	We Are Mindful	We Have Integrity
 We Are Explorers We show a willingness to try new things. We come to each task with curiosity. When things go wrong, we make a new plan We take care of our bodies by eating healthy food and getting plenty of exercise & sleep. We come to school dressed for the weather. We keep the spaces we visit clean - including the classroom and the outdoors. 	 We Are Mindful We practice kindness by considering the feelings of others (in person and online). <u>We value the ideas</u> and input of others. We are safe. We are careful how we move through the school. We use strategies to recognize and manage emotions, impulses, and behaviors. While on a bus we abide by <u>SD69</u> <u>Transportation</u> <u>guidelines</u> We are against racism. 	 We Have Integrity We act appropriately whether an adult is watching or not. We are honest with adults and our peers. We are fair and inclusive whether in class, outdoors, on a field trip or going to and from school. We treat others, ourselves, and school property with respect We use technology appropriately. We attend school every day, but stay home if we are sick. We stay on school property unless
		supervised.
When we make mistakes:		

We take responsibility for our mistakes. We choose to make amends to whomever was harmed. We learn from our mistakes. We go forward solving conflicts peacefully using our WITS when possible. (W - Walk away; I - Ignore; T - Talk about it; S - Seek help).

Behaviors We Do Not Accept:

We do not accept any behaviors that are unsafe or could result in physical injury or are meant to hurt someone's feelings. These include bullying, cyberbullying, unkind or threatening language, and dangerous or violent behaviors.

Distraction Free Learning Environment:

In order to provide a distraction-free learning environment, QBES is a "No Phone Zone". Students can bring their personal digital devices for use on the school bus, but upon arrival at school, devices are to be stored for the day. Storage can be in the locker (for all those old enough to have one) or remain in the backpack for younger students. There is no access to personal digital devices allowed during lunch and recess times. Some students will bring their own laptop for learning purposes in consultation with the teacher. Other exceptions to this rule are limited to students with medical and health needs requiring monitoring using a personal digital device and students with accessibility and accommodation needs.

Clothing and footwear need to be appropriate for school, which is our working and learning environment. Clothing is to be free from rude or suggestive sayings, and pictures or sayings involving alcohol, drugs, weapons or violence.

Safe Reporting:

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD.

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development. Whenever possible, we will focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.

Responses will take into consideration the student's **age**, **maturity**, **and special needs**. Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioral nature.

Suspension

In accordance with the School Act, Sec. 85(2)(ii) and (d) the Board authorizes the Principal or designate of any school in the district to suspend a student from attendance at school for up to five days. Suspensions may be for the following reasons:

- a. because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.
- b. because the behavior of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.

c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct. Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Senior Staff member (as per Board Policy 701: Student Discipline and its attendant Administrative Procedures, and Section 85 of the School Act says that an educational program must be provided.



Springwood Elementary School



CODE OF CONDUCT

The Springwood Elementary Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents and guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age. We are a community that celebrates and values the diversity of our members

	At Springwood, we value! Engaging Safe
	Student centered Encouraging Perseverance
	reiseverance
Be Safe	Be Fair Be Kind
✓ When travelling to and from	✓ Staying on school grounds ✓ Help keep our classrooms and
school, students are	unless supervised by staff or all shared spaces clean.
expected to conduct	guardian. ✓ Using school materials, library
themselves in accordance	✓ Treat others the way we books and devices with care.
with the school Code of	wish to be treated, on 🗸 Treating nature on our
Conduct. This includes field	school grounds, field trips grounds, and other outside
experiences as these trips are	(bus), coming and going spaces with respect and care.
extensions of the classroom.	from home, and in our Follow dress code guidelines
✓ While on a bus abide by	community. outlined in SD69 <u>District</u>
SD69 Transportation	✓ Take care of our Policy 700 (eg. not wearing
guidelines.	environment by reducing clothes which feature symbols
 ✓ Respecting others' privacy, 	garbage, using reusable that promote the use of
in person and online, and	items, and composting. controlled substances, have
using technology and media	✓ Leave personal toys or vulgar words, pictures or
safely and appropriately.	devices at home (unless drawings; are derogatory to a
 ✓ Following the directions of 	permission from teacher). person's ethnic background,
school staff.	 Keep school grounds and national origin, sexual
✓ Understanding that racism	learning spaces clean and orientation or disability;
will not be tolerated in our	tidy. damages or marks school
school. We are anti-racists.	✓ Use media/ technology property; hampers
✓ Use Talk, Walk away, Ask as	according to SD69 <u>District</u> participation in programs or Policy and ensure the activities.
a strategy. ✓ Wear appropriate safety	Policyand ensure theactivities.privacy of others.Image: Speak kindly and positively
gear (eg. helmets) when	Demonstrate digital about others. Avoid teasing
travelling to school on bike	citizenship expectations with and name-calling.
or scooter.	all technology.
 ✓ Refrain from bringing toys 	 ✓ Stay home when sick. ✓ a runcipute respectivity using words and actions to include
which resemble weapons	others.
(including water guns).	\checkmark Advocate for others when they
	need help.

When we make mistakes we:

Discipline, strategies and consequences are used to teach and guide students to appropriate behaviour and conduct.

Positive discipline provides opportunity to learn and grow and helps children understand and be responsible for their actions empowering them to resolve problems. Consequences are determined by the individual situation, and no two incidents are alike.

When students contravene the Code of Conduct, interfere with the rights of others, or with the learning environment, they will be subject to consequences that balance the gravity of the offence. While discipline is progressive, there are instances such as violence toward self or others, outright defiance and non-compliance, or consistently disrupting the learning environment of others, where a severe consequence is the initial consequence. Reasonable steps will be taken to prevent retaliation against students who report breaches of the Code of Contact. Further, in relevant circumstances, students may be subject to consequences prescribed in specific School Board Policies.

Range of Strategies; Problem solving with staff; Parent contact/involvement; Restitution; Restorative Justice; Loss of privilege; Behaviour contract; counselling; In-school suspension; out-of-school suspension

Behaviours We Do Not Accept:

These include bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, intimidation, threatening, disrespect of others, name calling or violent behaviours.

Distraction Free Learning Environment:

Students are to refrain from inappropriate use of computers, cell phones, cameras and/or other communication/wireless devices. Students must also be aware that they may be subject to discipline for misuse of technology if it has an unsafe or negative impact. Electronic devices should be turned off and kept in your locker or backpack during class time, unless students have been given permission to use the device for educational purposes. Personal devices should not be used outside of the classroom at SES from 8:35 am until the end of day, including recess and lunch.

No pictures posted or shared of students at school

Safe Reporting:

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development. Whenever possible, we strive will focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.

Responses will take into consideration the student's **age, maturity, and special needs**. Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural nature

Suspension

In accordance with the School Act, Sec. 85(2)(ii) and (d) the Board authorizes the Principal or designate of any school in the district to suspend a student from attendance at school for up to five days. Suspensions may be for the following reasons:

- a. because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.
- because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.
- c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Director of Instruction as per the District Student Code of Conduct, AP 350. As per AP 350 6.7.1 an educational program must be provided



École Ballenas Secondary School



CODE OF CONDUCT

The Ecole Ballenas Secondary School Code of Conduct was developed with staff, students and parents/guardians. It is intended to help maintain a safe, caring and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare's guidelines. It also supports the policies of the Qualicum School District and the laws of BC and Canada. The code of conduct reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protect the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identify or expression and age

We are a community that celebrates and values diversity and inclusivity of our members.

We Respect Others by:	We Respect Ourselves by:	We Respect this Place by:
 ✓ Treating others with respect and dignity ✓ Respecting others' privacy Communicating respectfully and using kind words ✓ Following the guidance and direction of school staff ✓ Being an upstander vs a bystander ✓ Understanding that any form of discrimination will not be tolerated 	 Striving to get adequate sleep and proper nutrition Prioritizing our mental health and learning Prioritizing attendance and engagement in class Staying home when we are sick Recognizing that vaping, smoking and substance use is harmful our growing brain and body Accepting policies that are in place to keep everyone safe 	 Using school materials, library books and devices with care. Keeping our classrooms, shared spaces, playground and community clean and free from litter and vandalism. Moving safely around the campus and respecting the personal space of others Being aware that we are members of the community and need to contribute positively to our neighbourhood and town.

When we make mistakes we:

Take responsibility for our actions and the impacts they have. We work to make amends to whomever was harmed and we solve conflicts peacefully. We move forward and learn from our mistakes

Behaviours We Do Not Accept:

Vaping or smoking on school property; bullying, cyberbullying, racism, harassment, intimidation, threatening or violent behaviours; weapons, including replica weapons at school; the possession or use of drugs, alcohol or paraphernalia

Safe Reporting:

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who had made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents, school district officials, RCMP and MCFD.

Distraction Free Learning Environment:

Ecole Ballenas Secondary School recognizes the impact of personal digital devices (any device that can be used to communicate or access the internet) on focused learning environments and online safety for students. Use of personal digital devices is restricted during instructional time at Ecole Ballenas Secondary School.

Devices may only be used at teacher request for instructional purposes, for student accessibility and accommodation needs, or for medical and health needs. At all other times, the devices must be put away, out of sight and in a secure location. An educative and progressive response plan will be developed to support students who struggle with meeting the expectations of digital devices.

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development is essential. Whenever possible, we strive to focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.

Responses will consider the student's age, maturity, and special needs. Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural nature.

Suspension

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- b. because the behaviour of the student breaches the <u>District Code of Conduct</u> or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.
- c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Director of Instruction as per the District Student Code of Conduct, AP 350. As per AP 350 6.7.1 an educational program must be provided





CODE OF CONDUCT

CEAP and PASS School Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents and guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age.

Matrix		
We Care About Others by:	We Care About Ourselves by:	We Care About this Place by:
 ✓ Being safe in our behaviours and not causing harm to others or our environment ✓ Respecting others' privacy, boundaries and identities ✓ Understanding that others have different perspectives and experiences ✓ Following the requests of the adults in the building ✓ Understanding that discrimination will not be tolerated in our school ✓ Having pride in ourselves and our reputation 	 Accepting responsibility for our actions Understanding our actions have consequences By doing our best to take care of our bodies and our brains Attending regularly Striving to consistently complete our individual tasks Working collaboratively with others to set and attempt to achieve our goals 	 Keeping our classrooms and all shared spaces clean Being individually responsible for our spaces Being mindful of our no waste policies and environmental footprint Offering support to others Being community focused Taking care of our learning environment and the tools we use to complete our tasks Recognizing that our decisions can affect
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Behaviors We Do Not Accept:		

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Matrix

These may include discrimination, bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, intimidation, threats, being under the influence of substances, or violent behaviours.

Safe Reporting:

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Distraction-Free Learning Environment

Using tools in the classroom should be for educational purposes. This includes the use of cell phones or other devices during instructional times. Personal digital devices should only be used for instruction, accommodations, health needs, communication and to equitably support learning. Any use of a digital device will consider what is appropriate for the age or developmental stage of the student.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD.

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development. Whenever possible, we strive will focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.

Responses will take into consideration the student's **age, maturity, and special needs**. Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural nature.

Suspension

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b. because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.

c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the appropriate Director of Instruction as per Board Policy 701: Student Discipline and Section 4 of the Administrative Procedure educational program must be provided.



Kwalikum Secondary School



CODE OF CONDUCT

The Kwalikum Secondary School Code of Conduct has been developed in collaboration with staff, students, and parents and guardians to maintain a safe, caring, and orderly school environment, as per the Ministry of Education and Childcare guidelines, and in support of Qualicum School District policy, and the laws of BC and Canada. As well, it reflects Sections 7 and 8 of the BC Human Rights Code, which protects the rights of all individuals from discrimination based on race, colour, ancestry, place of origin, religion, marital status, family status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and age.

We are a community that celebrates and values diversity and inclusivity of our members.

Respect Others by:	Respect Ourselves by:	Respect this Place by:
 ✓ Treating others with dignity in the school, on our grounds, in the neighbourhood, while on field trips, and on school buses. ✓ Respecting others' privacy, in person and online, and using technology and media safely and appropriately. ✓ Following the guidance of school staff. ✓ Being an upstander vs a bystander. ✓ Understanding that discrimination and racism will not be tolerated in our school. ✓ Respecting others personal belongings 	 Ensuring we get enough sleep and proper nutrition. Prioritizing our attendance and engagement in classes, but staying home when we are sick. Prioritizing our mental health Focusing on our learning. Following district policies around vaping, smoking, and substance use to protect our growing bodies and brains. Acknowledging when we need connections with a trusted adult for advice, support or help. 	 Using school materials, library books and devices with care. Keeping our classrooms, shared spaces, bathrooms, parking lot, and community clean free from litter and vandalism. Moving safely around the campus and respecting the personal space of others. Being aware that we are members of the community and represent KSS positively in town and the surrounding areas. Treating nature with respect and care. Drive and park with care and attention.
	When we make mistakes we:	
Take responsibility. Mak	e amends to whomever was harmed	. Solve conflicts peacefully.
	Learn through our mistakes.	

Everyone working, learning, or visiting the school is expected to:

Behaviours We Do Not Accept:

Vaping/smoking on school property; vandalism; any form of bullying, racism or discrimination; any form of harassment, threatening or violent behaviours; theft; the possession of weapons, including replica weapons; the possession or use of drugs, alcohol or paraphernalia.

Safe Reporting:

The Board of Education for the Qualicum School District will take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation by a person against a student who has made a complaint of a breach of the Code of Conduct.

Responsibility to Inform Other Parties:

School officials may have the responsibility to advise other parties/agencies of serious breaches of the Code of Conduct, including parents, school district officials, RCMP, and MCFD.

Range of Responses to Unacceptable Behaviour:

Supporting students' academic, social-emotional and physical development. Whenever possible, we strive to focus on responses that are **restorative rather than punitive**.

Responses will take into consideration the student's **age, maturity, and special needs**. Special considerations may apply to students with special needs who are unable to comply with a code of conduct due to having a disability of an intellectual, physical, sensory, emotional, or behavioural nature.

Distraction Free Learning Environment:

Kwalikum Secondary school recognizes the impact personal digital devices (any device that can be used to communicate or access the internet) have on focused learning environments and online safety for students. Use of personal digital devices is restricted during instructional time at Kwalikum Secondary.

Devices may only be used at teacher request for instructional purposes, for student accessibility and accommodation needs, or for medical and health needs. At all other times, the devices must be put away out of sight in a secure location. An educative and progressive response plan will be developed to support students who struggle with meeting the expectations of digital device use.

The school is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged personal digital devices. Students are encouraged to keep their belongings secure and use them responsibly.

Suspension

In accordance with the School Act, Sec. 85(2)(ii) and (d) the Board authorizes the Principal or designate of any school in the district to suspend a student from attendance at school for up to five days. Suspensions may be for the following reasons:

a. because a student is willfully and repeatedly disrespectful to a teacher or to any other employee of the Board carrying out responsibilities approved by the Board.

b. because the behaviour of the student breaches the District Code of Conduct or policy and/or has a harmful effect on others or the learning environment of the school.

c. because the student has failed to comply with the School Code of Conduct.

Suspensions over five days are made in consultation with the Director of Instruction as per board policy 701: Student Discipline, and Section 4 of its Administrative Procedure which states an educational program must be provided.