# **Our Mission, Vision and Motto**

#### Mission

We ensure deep learning engages our heart, head and hands to develop competencies vital for the success of all learners.

#### **Vision**

Syós:ys lets'e th'ále, lets'emó:t

(See EYE yees LETS-a-thala LETS-a-mot)

One heart, one mind, working together for a common purpose.

#### **Motto**

"Partners in Learning"

Students, parents/guardians/caregivers, staff,
First Nations, community members and
organizations are important members of our
education community and partners in learning
with the Board of Education. Together we strive to
create a culture of mutual respect that supports
engagement and collaboration in order to
achieve the shared goals outlined in our District
Strategic Plan. Collectively, we aim to meet the
present needs of our students and our
community, while remaining flexible to anticipate
and respond to future priorities.

# About us...

Located in the Fraser Valley, we are a learning community of over 14,000 students, and 1,800 teachers and support staff. Our diverse programs include elementary, middle and secondary neighbourhood schools, French Immersion programs and more.

We are privileged to be working and learning on the Stó:lō unceded traditional territory of the Pilalt, Sema:th and Ts'elxwéyeqw.

Our work in the Chilliwack School district is driven by our Strategic Plan, which is framed by four dimensions of practice:

- High-Quality Instruction
- Data-Driven Decisions
- Targeted Interventions
- Collective Responsibility

Additionally our learners are supported to achieve success through our core values of:

- Equity
- Collaboration
- Kindness
- Innovation
- Inclusion

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# Communication Home and School



#### Questions about your Child's Education?

Education is a shared process between home and school, and good communication is an excellent starting point for resolving any concerns that may arise. School staff welcome the opportunity to talk with you about your child's education. If you have a question or concern about your child's education, the following steps will help ensure an effective line of communication.

### Step 1: Teacher

The first person to talk with is the classroom teacher. The teacher knows your child well and most concerns can be addressed at this level. Please set up an appointment by contacting the teacher or the school so that your concern can be discussed without distractions.

# Step 2: Principal

If you need extra assistance with your question or concern, your school principal is there to help you.

#### Step 3: District Staff

If you have questions that you feel were not resolved at your child's school, contact the District Office at 604-792-1321 and ask for the District School Supervisor. If not resolved at this level, your questions will proceed to the School Superintendent.

#### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

Meet the teacher nights, parent/teacher conferences and student-led or student involved conferences are excellent ways to get to know your child's teacher(s).

Discussion topics could include:

- Is my child performing up to their ability?
- If not, what alternative strategies can be taken to help them be successful?
- Are there any additional school supports or programs that might help my child?
- What is an area of strength for my child?
- What is an area of growth for my child?
- Does my child work/play well with others?
- What can we work on at home to help my child's learning/growth?

#### **School Based Teams**

A school-based team is a core group of staff within a school who meet on a regular basis to problem solve, make suggestions, and plan interventions for students who are struggling with any aspect of their education. For more information, speak with your school principal.



# Parent Advisory Councils (PACs)

Each school has a PAC and all parents and guardians are members. School PACs generally meet monthly at the school and all parents are welcome to attend. Some works of the PAC are:

- Enhancing communication and cooperation among students, school, home and community
- Sponsoring school programs or initiatives
- Fundraising
- Volunteering
- Coordinating school events

# **District Parent Advisory Councils (DPACs)**

The Chilliwack School Districts' District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) is a legislated organization recognized within B.C.'s School Act to represent the parent voice at the school district level. DPAC's main role is as an advocate for parent involvement in the education system and to give input into the development of education policy.