



### Board Standing Committee Truth, Healing and Reconciliation

November 4, 2025

We would like to thank the Coast Salish people, specifically the Skwxwú7mesh Nation and Səlilwətał Nation on whose unceded traditional territory the North Vancouver School District resides.

We value the opportunity to learn, share and grow on this traditional territory.



Cheakamus Centre Reconciliation House Post by Xwalacktun

### Super Natural Eye at the new elementary school

The North Vancouver School District and Artist for Kids are pleased to announce the permanent installation of *Super Natural Eye* at the new elementary school in the Cloverley neighbourhood.

Created by artists KWÍKWI: Lauren Brevner and James Nexw'Kalus-Xwalacktun Harry, Super Natural Eye was first exhibited in their exhibition The Seventh at Or Gallery (2023–2024), curated by Jenn Jackson.

Inspired by the birth of the artists' daughter, which marked the seventh generation since European contact, the sculpture reflects intergenerational healing and transformation.

Guided by teachings from elders and knowledge keepers, and drawing from the visual language of the Salish Eye, this work honours stories of the land, the past and future, and the powerful symbolism of the Thunderbird's seven feathers. Its charred cedar-inspired surface evokes natural cycles of fire, destruction, and renewal.



Installation view of Super Natural Eye at Or Gallery. Photo by Blaine Campbell.

### AGENDA

KNOW: Context & Commitments (~20 minutes)

UNDERSTAND: Evidence and Experience (~30 minutes)

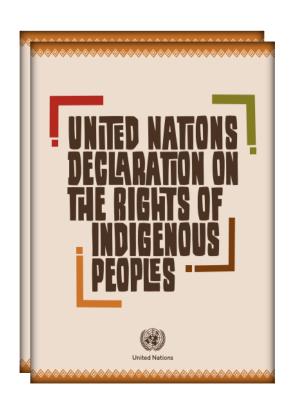
DO: Deepening and Extending (~30 minutes)

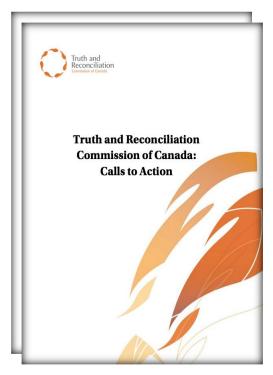
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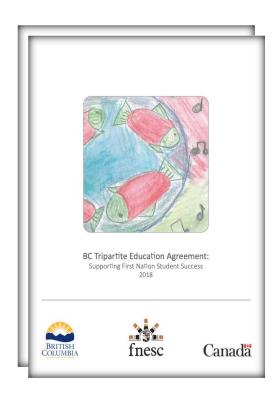


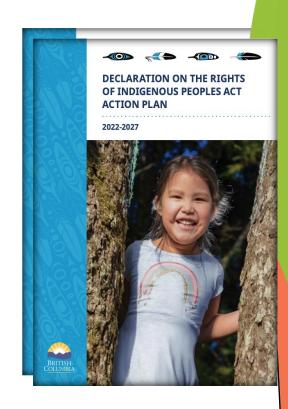
# KNOW **Context and Commitments**

### **Shaping District-Decision Making**











### BC Mandate for Public Schools



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To enable learners to develop their individual potential and to acquire the knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed to contribute to a healthy society and a prosperous and sustainable economy.

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### The Educated Citizen

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Live a Good Life Make a Good Living

#### Goals of Public Schooling

Intellectual Development



Human and Social Development

Career Development



#### School District Priorities

Student-Centred Education

**Innovative Instruction** 

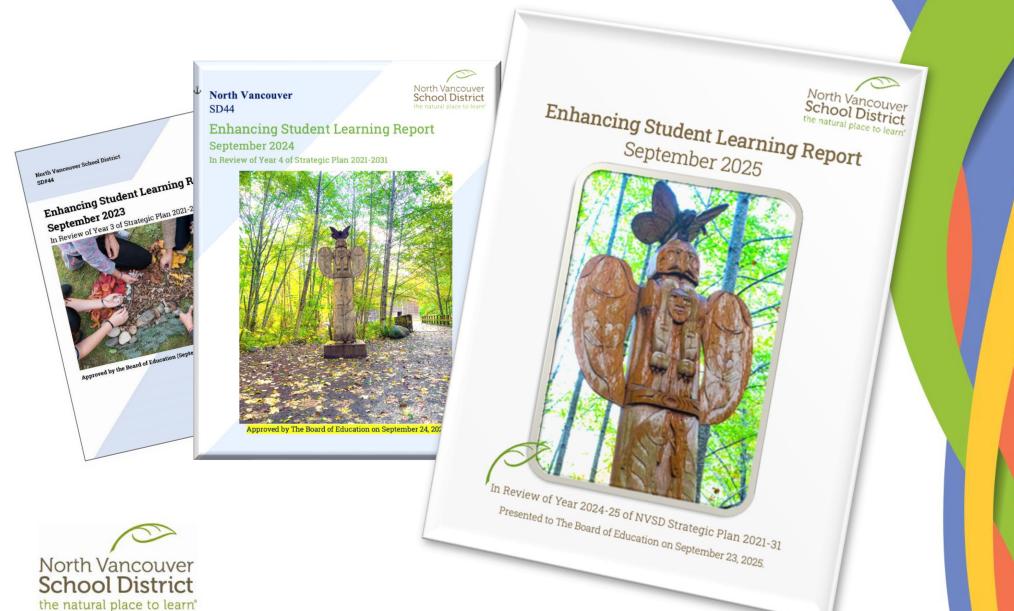
Welcoming and Inclusive Culture

Mental Health and Well-Being

Truth, Healing and Reconciliation

Environmental Stewardship

### Enhancing Student Learning



### Planning Cycle



### **District Vision**

Aspirational Goals

District Ed Plan

**FESL Prioritization** 

School Plan

VLC/Educational Priorities

AIP / Course Outlines

> Pillars of Educational Practice

Centred Education

Environmental Stewardship

Welcoming and Inclusive Culture

Truth, Healing and Reconciliation

Student

### TABLE DISCUSSION #1

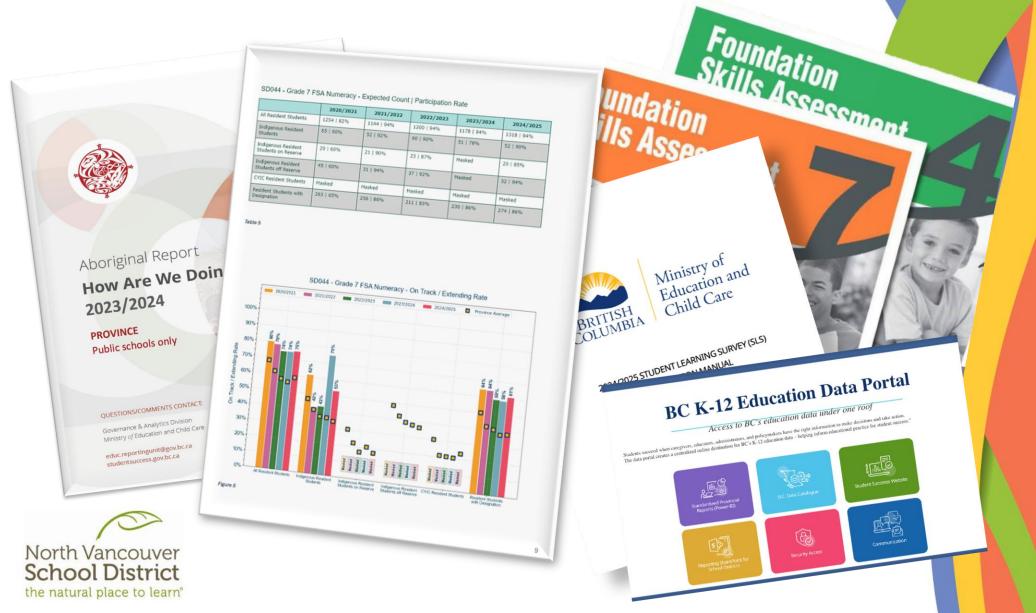
What commitments or actions most resonate with you in NVSD's Truth, Healing & Reconciliation journey?





## UNDERSTAND Evidence and Experience

Evidence-based Decisions



Typical range across B.C. (middle 50% of school districts)

Selected school district's most recent results (2024/2025)

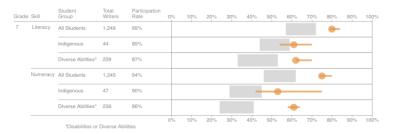
Range of school district's results over time (2017/18 - 2024/2025)

#### Foundation Skills Assessment - Grade 4

irade	Skill	Student Group	Total Writers	Participation Rate	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
4	Literacy	All Students	1,156	93%								•			
		Indigenous	40	89%							-	_			
		Diverse Abilities*	154	84%							-	_			
	Numeracy	All Students	1,162	93%								-	—		
		Indigenous	41	91%						_	_				
		Diverse Abilities*	152	83%							-		_		
			5		0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%

\*Disabilities or Diverse Abilities

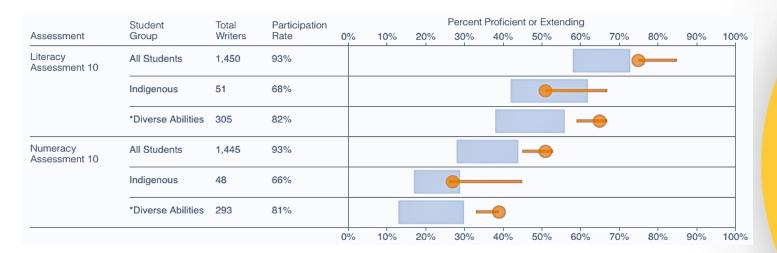
#### Foundation Skills Assessment - Grade 7



#### **Graduation Assessment**



#### **Grade 10 Assessments**

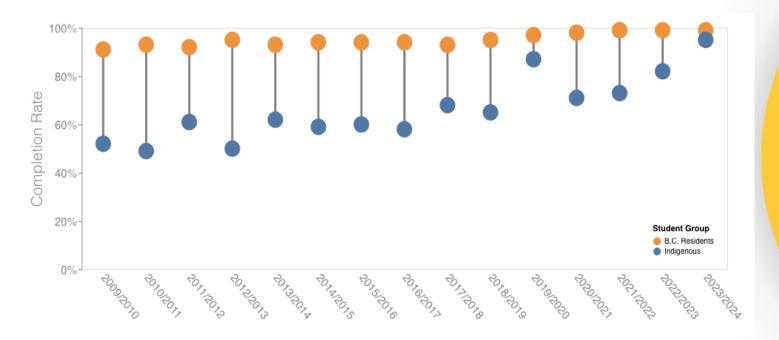


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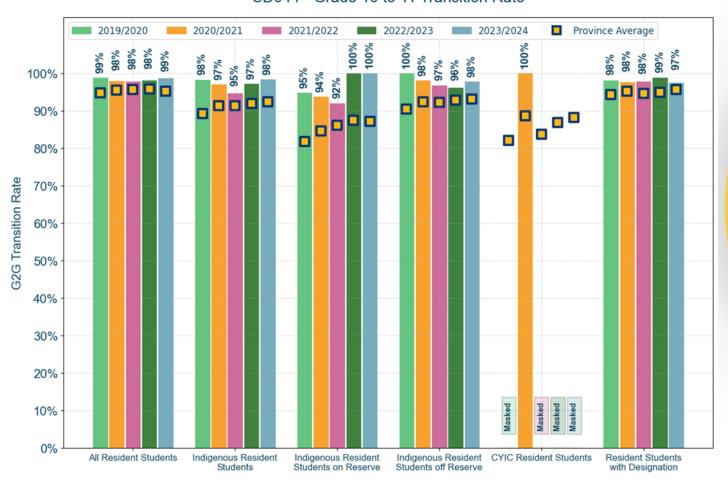
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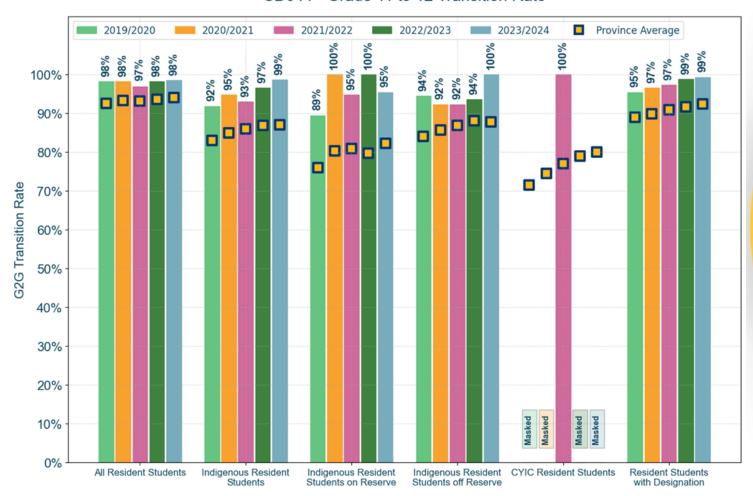
### **Completion Rates over Time**











SD044 - Sense of Belonging - Positive Response Rate for Grades 4, 7, and 10



### HUMAN & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT



Selected school district's most recent results (2023/24)

Range of school district's results over time (2019/20 - 2023/24)

#### Post-Secondary and Career Preparation

	Grade Level	Student Group	Total	Students responding Most of the Time/All the Time Or Agree/Strongly Agree										
Question			Responses	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Are you satisfied that school is preparing you for a job in the future?	Secondary	All Students	903											
	Secondary	Indigenous	31				-							
Are you satisfied that school is preparing you for post-secondary education?	Secondary	All Students	907				+	-						
	Secondary	Indigenous	31						-					

### CAREER DEVELOPMENT

### TABLE DISCUSSION #2

What successes or stories of growth stand out to you?

What might be contributing to these outcomes?

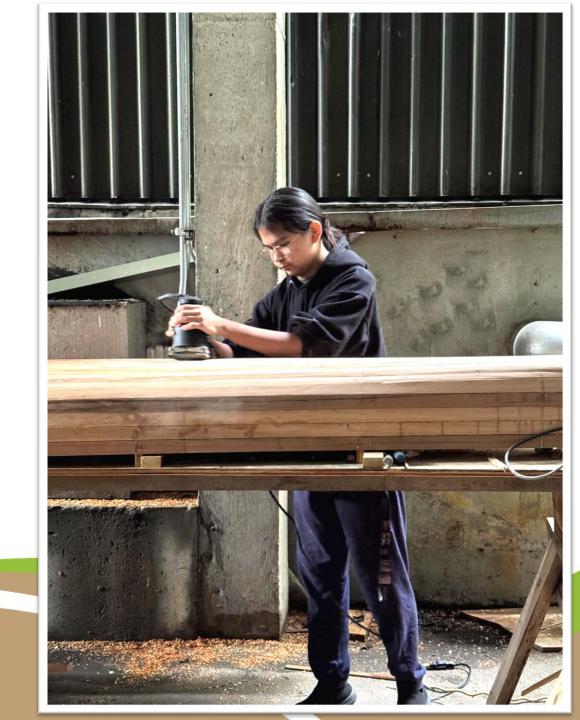






#### What we DO:

- Build sense of belonging by centering Indigenous knowledge & pedagogies
- Support agency by providing meaningful opportunities for independence & mastery
- The Story of War Canoeing (in my perspective)



### TABLE DISCUSSION #3

Where do we see opportunities to deepen our learning or partnerships?





### TABLE DISCUSSION #4

What should we be most excited about?

What do we want to sustain or grow moving forward?





"If we move forward without remembering, then we are not the people we should be. Even newcomers must feel the weight of this process of reconciliation because, even if you weren't here, you still have a responsibility to the future of this country and therefore you need to understand this. "Reconciliation is about establishing a relationship of mutual respect. We respect each other ... that's what this country should be about."

### -Justice Murray Sinclair





### THANK YOU!



