

Systemness...



- **Systemness** is the state, quality, or condition of a <u>complex system</u>, that is, of a set of interconnected elements that behave as, or appear to be, a whole, exhibiting behavior distinct from the behavior of the parts.
- Each piece of the work we do is connected to the next piece and ultimately the quality of the student experience.



COMMUNITY

"Education is not solely the responsibility of the teachers and the schools; it is a collective effort of the entire community to empower and inspire the next generation.

- Nelson Mandela

Pink Shirt Day February 28, 2024











Vaisakhi Saturday, April 13, 2024



Vaisakhi is an important festival celebrated by Sikh people around the world and recognizes the harvest season and is the date of the Indian Solar New Year. Canada has the largest population of Sikhs outside of India with almost one million Canadians identifying as Sikh.

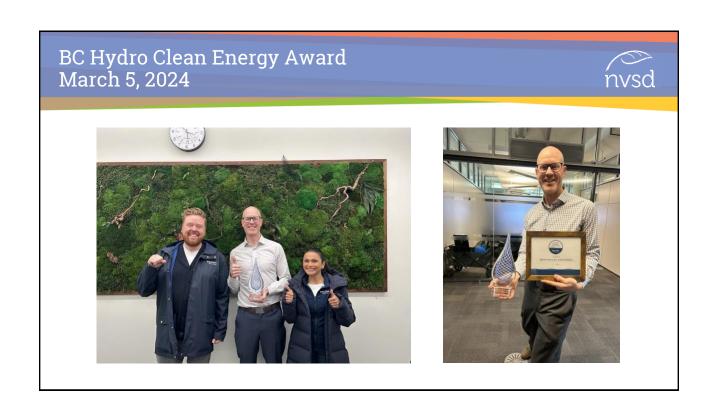








Argyle Gynmastics Provincial Champions RESECURARY SCHOOLS FRONTING AND THE PROVINCIAL CHARPINGS III CHARPINGS III



BC Early Learning Framework Dinner and Dialogue Session One: March 4, 2024



Exploring Connection to Self with Len Pierre







BC Early Learning Framework Dinner and Dialogue Session Two: April 3, 2024



Exploring Connection to Place with Angela Meredith and Gina Wong











Handsworth and Sutherland Family of Schools Spring Planning Workshop | Monday, April 8, 2024







CURIOSITY

"Curiosity is the spark behind every great idea. The future belongs to the curious."

- Unknown

Youth Work in Trades Award March 4, 2024



Students who have met the Youth Work in Trades Award criteria will receive \$1000. The award is intended to help apprentices continue in the trade through the partial payment of tuition, or the purchase of tools or supplies.

Congratulations, Alex Amiri, Carson Graham 2023 graduate, for being a recipient of this impressive award!



Digital Media Academy Pitch Game Designs to EA Sports March 2024





French Cultural Week: FrancoFête 2024 April 8 – 12, 2024







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CONNECTION

"Connection is the key to unlocking a child's potential. Through meaningful relationships, children learn, grow, and thrive."

– Brené Brown

Ready, Set, Learn Wednesday, April 3, 2024









Ready, Set, Learn continued... Wednesday, April 3, 2024



Learning Network Leaders 2023/2024 School Year





PSO Team in New Aiyansh, Nisga'a Nation Tuesday, April 2, 2024

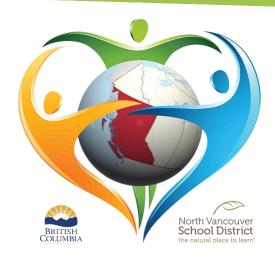




Provincial School Outreach - Additional Funding



Combined with last year's funding, the Province is providing more than \$9 million over the next three years to expand the Provincial School Outreach program to help build the capacity of school districts and provide more supports for students with disabilities and diverse abilities.



Feeding Futures School Food Programs Funding Continuation



The NVSD has been allocated \$1,749,845.00 for the 2024/25 school year. The purpose of this funding is to make sure all students are fed and ready to learn by expanding existing school food programs in districts and schools that already have them and creating new ones in districts and schools without. The funding can be used for food purchasing and staffing for up to one school food coordinator in each school district.



Campus upgrades funding secured by the Cheakamus Foundation for Environmental Learning



The Cheakamus Foundation for Environmental Learning has been awarded \$91,745 from the Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program (BC Hydro) for spawning channel, viewing trail and bridge repairs and upgrades to support the salmon education program.



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Core funding has also been secured through the Foundation for a retrofit of the Teachers' cabin slated for late summer, early fall. This is the third project in collaboration with the Aboriginal Housing Management Association and BCIT's School of Construction and the Environment.

Cheakamus Centre's aging cabins becomes "living labs" for Indigenous youth who are facing barriers to education and employment to gain job-readiness skills training, while creating more energy efficient, healthier living spaces for students, teachers and guests.



Student and Family Affordability Fund



The Province is replenishing funding that helps families that need it most cover the extra costs of school activities or buying school supplies for their children.

As announced in a March 6, 2024, news release, the Ministry of Education and Child Care commits an additional \$20 million to school districts across the province to fund the Student and Family Affordability Fund for the 2024/25 school year.



Code of Conduct Changes



The Provincial Standards for Codes of Conduct Order has been amended, effective July 1, 2024, to require all Boards of Education to include one or more statements restricting student use of personal digital devices (including cell phones) at school. Codes of Conduct are required to be updated to align with the amended Provincial Standards for Codes of Conduct Order by July 1, 2024.

The Ministry of Education and Child Care recommends Boards of Education on engage with their Indigenous Education Councils as part of the process of updating their codes of conduct.



Keeping kids safe online and in school

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Early Literacy Screening Funding Announcement Dorothy Lynas Elementary, April 16, 2024



The NVSD hosted Premier David Eby, Minister of Education and Child Care Rachna Singh for their announcement on April 16, 2024, that a total of \$30 million over three years will expand the services of several provincial outreach programs and teams and support literacy-focused professional development and training for teachers and support staff.



Cheakamus Centre 55th Annual Open House



SUNDAY MAY 5, 2024

More support on the way or students with dyslexia and other learning

A FUN, FAMILY DAY OF NATURE EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY









Join us! 10:30 am – 3:00 pm 2170 Paradise Valley Road Brackendale

www.cheakamuscentre.ca

Coast Salish Teaching Longhouse ~ Salmon Hatchery ~ Farm Animals ~ Canoeing ~ Art Activities ~ Games ~ Nature Trails ~ Cash Concession and more...

Parking by suggested \$2 donation. Sorry, no pets.

Trustee Development and Calendar of Events



Where we have been....

Standing Committee Meeting

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Education Week

March 11 – 15, 2024

- Long Service Awards (Monday, March 11); and,
- Trustee Reception (Thursday, March 14).

Trustee Seminars

- Tuesday, April 2, 2024
- Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Where we are going...

BC School Trustees' Association Annual General Meeting and Dream Big - Lead Strong Conference

April 18-21, 2024

Trustee Seminars

Tuesday, April 23, 2024 Tuesday, April 30, 2024, Dinner with City Counsellors

Standing Committee

Tuesday, May 7, 2024, Artificial Intelligence