

District Accountability Contract



**WEST VANCOUVER
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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New Requirements

From Accountability Contract

October 2007



To Achievement Contract

July 2008

Background



District Context

- 6857 students in 17 schools
- Extremely high levels of achievements on all local, provincial, and international measures
- Rich range of diverse offerings
- Commitment to improvement



Connections

- School Planning Councils
- Connecting School and District Goals
- Responding to the District Review
- Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement



Two Areas of Particular Focus

1. Social Responsibility

2. Literacy

A Focus on Socially Responsible Behaviours



Improve Responses when Confronted with Unsafe Situations



Actions

- Build a systematic approach around bullying and the bystander
- Improve the quantity and quality of communication in the school and community



Make Positive Contributions



Actions

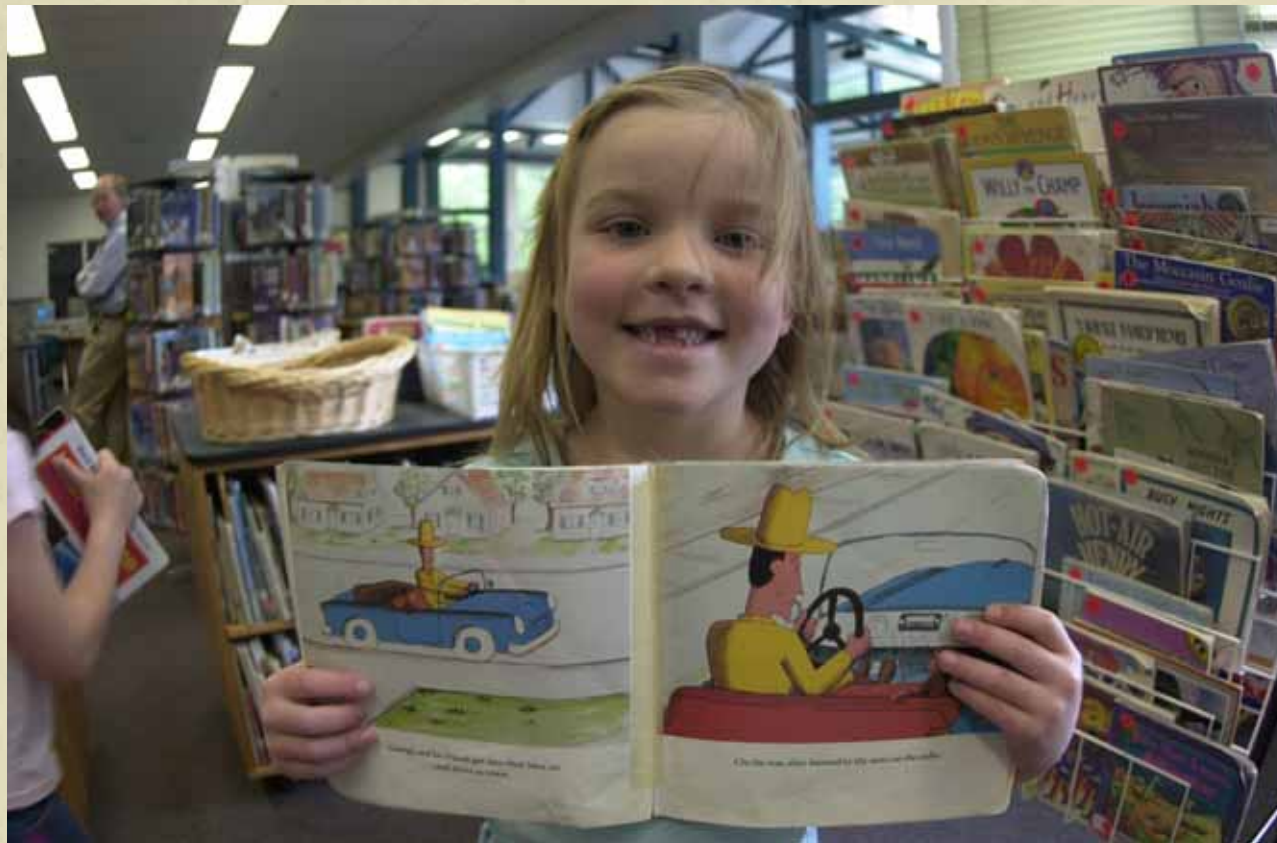
- Student Leadership
- Service Learning



A Focus on Literacy



Improve Reading K - 12



Actions

- Focus on early years information
- Commitment to research-based instruction
- Use of reading performance standards district-wide
- Pay attention to the grade 7-8 transition



Improve Reading of ESL Students



Actions

- Focus on ESL K
- Standardize district framework
- Employ differentiated instruction
- Support instruction, particularly at secondary



Improve Writing Skills



Actions

- Cross-grade and cross-school writing standards
- Support effective writing instruction
- Focus on authentic writing experiences



One Child at a Time

