



West Vancouver Board of Education Strategic Plan—Vision and Values 2009–2011

Our Vision

We aspire to be the finest education system in the country—for our children, our employees, our community, and our world.

Our Values

<i>Pursuit of Excellence</i>	We are committed to the pursuit of excellence.
<i>Collaboration</i>	We are committed to seeking input from all those whose lives we touch before making decisions.
<i>Inclusiveness</i>	We are committed to supporting and celebrating the successes of all of our learners.
<i>Respect and Fairness</i>	We are committed to treating everyone with respect and fairness. We honour and celebrate our differences.
<i>Ethical Action</i>	We are committed to being honest and ethical in everything we do. We aspire to have an organizational culture of integrity.
<i>Openness</i>	We are committed to making our processes and decisions as open as possible.
<i>Responsible</i>	We are committed to making responsible decisions on behalf of all of those that we serve. We believe that we should be held accountable for those decisions.
<i>Joy</i>	We do serious work, but we are committed to infusing our work with fun and joy.
<i>Meaningful Engagement</i>	We are committed to engaging and inspiring our students with relevant learning experiences.



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Strategic Issue 1 Educational Excellence

Our basic work is education. Each of us can contribute to our students' success. Our common goal is excellence in everything we do. We must strive to inspire our students to meet the future with confidence, building on learning experiences that engage both their hearts and minds.

Goals and Objectives
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engage all students in relevant, meaningful, and inspiring experiences that give rise to a lifelong love of learning.• Create and support innovative practices and learning environments that successfully prepare our students and staff for a dynamic evolution in career opportunities and workplaces in the future.• Be global leaders in the use of technology to enhance teaching and learning.• Ensure our students have the knowledge, skills, and attitudes they will need to succeed in our changing world in the areas of environmental responsibility, technology, health and wellness, global awareness, and social responsibility.• Support Arts education as fundamental component and tool in the school curriculum.



Strategic Issue 2 System Sustainability

Our future will be assured to the extent we take steps now to make sure our financial, human, and physical resources are sustainable.

Goals and Objectives

- Expand our financial resources by optimizing the level of government funding, continue to diversify and expand alternative streams of revenue, and maintain our share of the eligible student market.
- Continue to attract and retain high quality staff, develop plans for succession, and support and promote work-life balance.
- Maintain and improve our school district facilities at a level commensurate with the education standards in the district.
- Promote and facilitate the implementation of environmental education and sustainable practices in the district.
- Review transportation practices in order to identify ways to decrease our environmental impact, increase efficiency and safety, and reduce costs.



Strategic Issue 3 Community Connections

We will nurture relationships with individuals and organizations in our community that enrich student learning. We will continue to cultivate connections with our education partners, listening and responding to their concerns. At the same time, we will further enhance our connections within our organization, creating a caring, supportive environment in which everyone is a valued, contributing partner.

Goals and Objectives
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promote our school district's identity by communicating the achievements of our students and staff to our communities.• Deepen connections within our communities, especially our students, as part of the promotion of our expanded educational mandate.• Enhance collaborative educational opportunities through our connections with key organizations in our community.