BC Ministry of Education Plan

The Ministry of Education in British Columbia believes that every learner will realize their full potential and contribute to the well-being of our province.

The Ministry of Education Plan has five key elements:

- Personalized learning for every student
- Quality teaching and learning
- Flexibility and choice
- High standards
- Learning empowered by technology

School District 68

School District 68 Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools Board of Education motto is *Success for All*.

Mission

Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools, together with families and communities, empowers all students to become healthy, confident life-long learners and socially conscious citizens.

Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools values:

- Accountability
- Collaboration
- Community
- Courage
- Diversity
- Equity
- Ethical standards
- Inclusion
- Respect
- Transparency

Ladysmith Intermediate School Philosophy

The staff of Ladysmith Intermediate Elementary will assist in the growth and development of the whole child. Children who attain academic proficiency and physical skills based upon appropriate developmental expectations; who are socially aware and cooperative and who display emotions and feelings in an acceptable manner will be able to contribute effectively to society.

The learning process develops both character and ability. Every student is capable of personal growth and achievement when provided with challenging programs. Programs offered are based upon continuous progress and recognize respect while attending to individual differences. The time and instructional approaches may vary to permit each child to learn at their own rate according to their unique needs and abilities.

As the development of self-confidence is essential for a fulfilling and constructive life, the school will strive to provide each student with interesting and meaningful learning experiences leading to academic and personal success. Personal strengths will be developed and areas of weakness supported and assisted.

Ladysmith Intermediate Elementary will endeavor to instil a love of learning; to provide the skills necessary to acquire, process and express information; to offer opportunities to think critically and creatively; to provide leadership opportunities to students to develop self-discipline and independence and to enhance self-esteem.

Developing appropriate learning attitudes and skills depends upon the individual learner's commitment, self-discipline and responsibility. Parents and teachers working together as partners will increase the likelihood of such success for each child. Each child must be prepared to succeed in a changing world by striving to do their best in order to grow towards their potential – an investment in themselves and their future.

Statement of Philosophy

The staff of Ladysmith Intermediate Elementary aims to provide an integrated learning environment that:

- Develops creative, flexible, self-motivated students who have a positive self-image.
- Encourages a sense of satisfaction through achievement and a joy of learning
- Structures time, space and materials to meet individual learning needs and interests which include technology
- Emphasizes learning for living experiences, which will be the foundation for later living
- Promotes cooperative learning and emphasizes process as well as product
- Instils respect for the rights and efforts of others and responsibility for one's own actions
- Encourages parent involvement
- Develops attitudes, skills, knowledge and processes necessary for independent learning in all curriculum areas.

Mission Statement

"Working together with our school community, our mission at Ladysmith Intermediate Elementary is to ensure a safe, supportive and respectful environment which promotes the development of individual potential and enthusiasm for life-long learning."

The staff of Ladysmith Intermediate Elementary strive to create an educational climate that encourages each child to grow academically, physically and socially to the best of his/her ability. Classes and programs are organized to provide each child with successful experiences, appropriate challenges and a sense of achievement. We are committed to creating a safe, warm and nurturing environment for each student.

We welcome parent involvement in the school. We believe that when we work together, we can provide successful educational experiences for students.