

## NANAIMO LADYSMITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### BUSINESS COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING

#### INFORMATION SHEET

DATE: October 12, 2022  
TO: Business Committee  
FROM: Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer  
SUBJECT: Administrative Procedure 417 – Community Involvement in Schools

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#### Background

This Information Sheet outlines changes to Administrative Procedure 417- Community Involvement in Schools (the AP) that provide more specificity in how community partners access schools.

#### Discussion

In addition to defining the purpose of the AP, the AP also provides definitions of individuals or groups subject to the AP. The AP would not apply to parents who have rights to access schools laid out in the *School Act*. It should be noted that despite the fact that the District is a public body there is no absolute right to access a school or school property and the District may take steps to exclude groups or individuals where appropriate.

This AP also provides clarity on exclusions of individuals and groups without specific rights under the *School Act* but also provides for a mechanism to allow a review of any exclusion after a period of time.

Ultimately, the changes to the AP are intended for clarity as well as to ensure procedural fairness in the District's activities with respect to the community.

**Appendix A:** AP 417 – Community Involvement in Schools