

**NANAIMO LADYSMITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC MEETING
ACTION SHEET**

DATE: March 29, 2023
TO: Board of Education
FROM: Laura Tait, Deputy Superintendent
SUBJECT: Local School Calendars 2023-2024, 2024-2025 and 2025-2026

Recommendation

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) approve the attached three-year Local School Calendars for 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26.

Background

On December 7, 2022, the Education Committee passed the following motion:

“The Education Committee recommends that the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) make the attached three-year draft Local School Calendar for 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 available to the public for 30 days utilizing the consultation process as per Board Governance, Section 1, 2.17 and to report back at the February Education Committee meeting with recommendations.”

The consultation process consisted of sharing background information and draft calendars with staff and families through a variety of communication platforms, including district news and website and social media outlets. The district received approximately 39 emails from the community. Feedback primarily focused on the following topics:

- Truth and Reconciliation
- The timing of Professional Development days with statutory holidays
- December and Spring Break timing
- Length of Spring Break
- Agreed with proposed calendars

Rationale for the placement of spring/winter breaks and non-instructional days was provided in the December 7, 2022, Action Sheet, which is attached as Appendix C.

Spring Break

On March 3, 2023, the District reached an agreement with the NDTA to extend the two-week spring break Letter of Understanding on an ongoing basis. Accordingly, the calendars being recommended for approval each have a two-week spring break.

Appendix A: Local School Calendars 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025

Appendix B: Community Feedback

Appendix C: December 7, 2022 Action Sheet

