

## **Background**

In the summer of 2023, the Board initiated the process of renewing the Strategic Plan (2019-2023) as it approached the end of its current cycle. To assist in this endeavor, the Board enlisted the services of consultant Piet Langstraat. As a crucial step in this renewal, the Board will actively seek input from the Nanaimo Ladysmith Public School Community from October 24th to November 26th. The objective is to present a preliminary draft of the strategic plan's goals and objectives to the community for their feedback, with a subsequent report to be submitted to the Business Committee in December.

Following the initial consultation period, the feedback received will be integrated into the comprehensive plan, which will then be shared with the public for a final round of feedback.

## **Community Engagement Plan**

The draft Strategic Plan was presented to the Board on **October 12, 2023**. The Board will make a decision to approve the draft and begin the community consultation process, which is proposed to run from October 26 to November 24, 2023.

The community engagement webpage will include background information with instructions on how to participate during the consultation period: <https://www.sd68.bc.ca/board/community-engagement/>

Information on the community engagement period will be:

- Emailed to all district staff
- Shared with all district staff via NLPS News
- Emailed to all families via School Messenger platform
- Shared on social media (Facebook and Twitter)
- Emailed to community partners/stakeholders

If approved, the consultation period will begin on Thursday, October 26. The community will have until November 24, to provide feedback by:

- ThoughtExchange online discussion board;
- Virtual open-house;
- Secondary school visits with student leaders; and/or
- Email [consultation@sd68.bc.ca](mailto:consultation@sd68.bc.ca)

## **Timeline**

- Thursday, October 26, 2023
  - Email to staff, families, stakeholder/partner groups
  - Social media posts
- Thursday, November 2, 2023
  - District news for staff
  - Social media reminder

- Thursday, November 9, 2023
  - Virtual open house 5 – 6 p.m. (Microsoft Teams)
  
- Thursday, November 16, 2023
  - Reminder Email to staff, families, stakeholder/partner groups
  
- Social media posts November 21, 2023
  - Meetings with Indigenous Education partners: Leaders for Learning
  
- Stakeholder/partner group meetings
  - CUPE: November 7
  - Elementary PVP: November 14
  - Secondary PVP: November 17
  - DPAC: November 20
  - NDTA: November 21
  
- School visits
  - [Dates TBD] throughout the engagement period.