

NANAIMO LADYSMITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING ACTION SHEET

DATE: May 7, 2025

TO: Strategic Directions Committee FROM: Laura Tait, Assistant Superintendent

SUBJECT: Local School Calendars

Recommendation

The Strategic Directions Committee recommends that the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) approve the attached three-year draft Local School Calendars for 2026/27, 2027/28 and 2028/29.

Background

Employee Wellness

On March 12, 2025, the Board of Education passed the following motion:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) make the attached three-year draft Local School Calendars for 2026/27, 2027/28 and 2028/29 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 May Strategic Directions Committee meeting with recommendations.

Discussion

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 four emails from the community. Feedback primarily focused on the following:

- Spring Break: make it one week, place it later in the year to hopefully have nicer weather
- CUPE Executive:
 - When the CID is placed in May and not on the last day in June, instead of starting EI one
 day earlier in June (last day), 10-month support staff must take an unpaid day in May

Rationale for the placement of spring/winter breaks and non-instructional days was provided in the March Action sheet, which is attached as Appendix A.

Appendix A: March 5, 2025, Strategic Directions Committee Action Sheet **Appendix B:** Draft Local School Calendars for 2026/27, 2027/28 and 2028/29

Appendix C: 3 Year Calendar Combined