

NANAIMO LADYSMITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING INFORMATION SHEET

DATE: August 27, 2025
TO: Board of Education

FROM: Robyn Gray, Superintendent

SUBJECT: Compass Initiative

Background:

District staff have been participating in the Mayor's Leader's Council for a number of years. The Mayor's Leader's Council consists of the Mayor and other senior level personnel across local organizations. The purpose of this Council is to keep each group apprised of the activities of their various organizations. This information sheet will provide background on the proposed Compass Initiative including the Nanaimo Accord that will come to the Board at a later date for formal support.

Discussion:

The City of Nanaimo has invited Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools to participate in their newly launched "Compass Initiative". The initiative is guided by the Mayor's Leaders' Table and coordinated by the Nanaimo Prosperity Corporation.

The Compass Initiative is centered on the development of two foundational tools;

The Nanaimo Accord: A shared statement of values, principles, and long-term ambition. Prioritized Project Portfolio: A coordinated set of investable, high-impact initiatives.

The Superintendent will attend the first meeting associated with the Compass Initiative on August 25 and ultimately return to the Board with a recommendation with respect to the Nanaimo Accord.

Appendices:

Appendix A: Nanaimo Accord: Backgrounder

Appendix B: Toward a Nanaimo Accord: A Shared Vision for Action