



**NANAIMO LADYSMITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS COMMITTEE
PUBLIC MEETING
ACTION SHEET**

DATE: February 11, 2026
TO: Strategic Directions Committee
FROM: Mark Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer
SUBJECT: Draft Revised Policy 701 – Child Care Services and Early Years Program

Recommendation

The Strategic Directions Committee recommends that the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt Revised Policy 701 – Child Care Services and Early Years Program.

Background

On December 17, 2026, the Board of Education passed the following motion:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) receive the Draft Revised Policy 701 – Child Care Services and Early Years Program and circulate as a notice of motion for 30 days, utilizing the consultation process as per Board Governance, Section 210 – Policy Development.

Discussion

Due to the proximity to the winter break, the consultation period was extended to January 30, 2026. The consultation opportunity was shared via:

- District website- “News Releases”- December 18, 2025, to present
- District newsletter- January 16 and January 30
- Staff newsletter- January 23
- Social media posts- January 9 and January 6

No feedback was received on the draft policy during the feedback period.

If the Board approves the motion, the next steps will be for staff to amend the Administrative Procedure associated with the policy.

Appendix A: Revised Policy 701 – Child Care Services and Early Years Program