

Board of Education Nicola Similkameen School District Policy

Success for All Learners ~Today and Tomorrow

Policy 3.50 Nsyilxcən and Nłe?kepmxcín Traditions and Culture

The Board of Education supports the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action regarding education, and more specifically the revitalization of Nsyilxcən and Nłe?kepmxcín and the recognition of language as a fundamental and valued element of the local Nicola Valley's First Nations communities' traditions, cultures, and guiding practices. It is acknowledged that there is an urgent need to preserve Nsyilxcən and Nłe?kepmxcín languages.

Students shall have the opportunity to learn the local ancestral languages, Nsyilxcən and Nłe?kepmxcínwith the district making every effort to make curriculum, teaching resources and language learning educators available.

Further, the Board understands and affirms that the preservation, revitalization and strengthening of Nsyilxcən and Nłe?kepmxcín and culture are best managed by local First Nations and communities.