

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 71 (COMOX VALLEY)

POLICY MANUAL

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Student Admission and School Choice

1. **Guiding Principles**

Student admission in the Comox Valley School District (No. 71) is to be guided by the following principles:

- a) Access to neighbourhood school: The admission process should maximize the number of students able to attend their catchment area school in accordance with their wishes
- b) Choice: The admission process should maximize the student's and parent's ability to choose the school and educational program which best meets the student's educational needs
- c) Certainty, stability, continuity: The admission process should support certainty, stability and continuity for students and families. Siblings will be admitted to the same school wherever possible, subject to the provisions of the School Act and the wishes of the family.
- d) Efficient resource allocation: The admission process should enable school and district staff to plan the allocation of space and instructional resources to best accommodate demand and minimize adjustments required at the beginning of the school year.

The board will endeavour to provide programs that meet the interests and needs of district students.