

SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 48 (SEA TO SKY)

POLICY SERIES 900-BUILDINGS & SITES

905. DISPOSITION OF SITES AND CLOSURE OF FACILITIES

905.1 Permanent School Closure

The Board of Education, School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky) is responsible under the School Act for the effective and efficient operation of schools in the school district. The Board has the authority to close a school for reasons, which include but are not limited to:

- declining student enrolment such that the school is no longer economically or operationally viable or;
- restructuring of educational programs, consolidation of operations and relocation of students to other schools in the school district which results in the school being deemed surplus to the districts educational needs;
- the school is being replaced with a newly constructed school.

The permanent closure of schools is a significant issue of public concern and, therefore, the Board will follow a process that provides adequate time and opportunity to consult with those who will be affected prior to the permanent closure of a school.

The Regulation accompanying this Policy provides more specific direction to be followed if the Board is considering the permanent closure of a school.