



## **Chilliwack School District Accessibility Advisory Committee (Summer 2024)**

The Chilliwack School District has formed an Accessibility Advisory Committee to advise the organization in the development and implementation of its Accessibility Plan. The plan includes identifying, preventing, and removing the barriers to accessibility that people with disabilities face within the school district, following the directives of the *Accessible British Columbia Act*. The committee will also follow the principle of “nothing about us without us.”

### **Membership:**

The committee will follow the structure outlined in the *Accessible British Columbia Act*, with 5 to 10 members. Committee membership will reflect the diversity of persons with disabilities in British Columbia and the diverse backgrounds and experiences of staff, students, community partner groups and residents with children and/or youth in Chilliwack School District.

The committee will include representation from:

- a person with a visible or invisible disability
- a member of a disability-serving organization
- a parent/guardian/caregiver supporting a student with a disability
- a person with Indigenous background
- a person from another equity-deserving group

### **Scope of Work:**

- Meet as a Committee 5 times a year for 3.5 hours (dinner provided). The first meeting will be held on August 26, 2024, and 4 more meetings will be booked between September 1 and June 30. Term of membership is 2 years.
- Provide input into the development of an accessibility plan based on the principles of Inclusion, Adaptability, Diversity, Collaboration, Self-Determination, and Universal Design.
- Provide input into the Chilliwack School District’s barriers to accessibility such as attitudinal, physical, sensory, information and communication, systemic and technology issues.
- Review feedback from the Chilliwack School District’s [Let’s Talk SD33](#) engagement platform.
- Provide information to the Superintendent’s office on the school district’s accessibility plan.
- Provide information to the Superintendent’s office on rolling out the *Accessible British Columbia Act* and of the school district’s work on accessibility.

**Meeting Schedule:** The first meeting is prescheduled for August 26, 2024, from 3:00 pm to 6:30 pm (dinner will be included).

For more information about the Accessible B.C. ACT, see the following links:

[Accessible B.C. Act](#) (full Act) [Accessible B.C. Act](#) (in force) [Accessible B.C. Regulation](#) comes into force September 1, 2022 [Plain Language summary of the Accessible B.C. Act](#) [Timeline for implementation \(PDF\)](#)

**Application Process:** Please fill out the Application Form on this webpage and email it to [communications@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:communications@sd33.bc.ca) to apply. Application deadline is July 3, 2024.

**Additional Information:** Please contact David Manuel, Assistant Superintendent, at [david.manuel@sd33.bc.ca](mailto:david.manuel@sd33.bc.ca) or call 604-792-1321 if you have any questions or require support with your application.

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