

ABC VANCOUVER SCHOOL BOARD PLATFORM

OUR VISION

Every child deserves a safe school, a supported teacher, practical life skills and a world-class education. ABC Vancouver will put students first by making schools safer, strengthening classroom supports, teaching essential life skills and ensuring more education funding reaches the classroom.



KEEP SCHOOLS SAFE WITH SCHOOL LIAISON OFFICERS

Every student deserves to feel safe at school. An ABC School Board will maintain the School Liaison Officer Program and strengthen partnerships between schools, families and trained police officers. Teachers and administrators should be focused on educating students, not managing complex public safety challenges alone.



GIVE EVERY STUDENT THE SUPPORT TO SUCCEED

Every learner deserves the opportunity to reach their full potential. An ABC School Board will expand specialized training, classroom resources and individualized supports, ensuring teachers have the tools and support they need to help every student succeed.



TEACHING ASSISTANTS IN EVERY CLASSROOM

Teachers are doing extraordinary work, but they cannot do it alone. An ABC School Board will increase teaching assistants and specialized support staff so teachers can better support students with diverse learning needs and provide more individualized attention in the classroom.



PUT SCHOOL TAX DOLLARS BACK INTO CLASSROOMS

Students should come before bureaucracy. An ABC School Board will work to ensure more education funding reaches students, teachers and neighbourhood schools, with a focus on teaching assistants, classroom resources, student supports and programs that strengthen Vancouver's public schools. In 2026, the Province will collect \$658,682,122 from Vancouverites through the school tax. Yet for the 2025-2026 budget, the Vancouver School Board received only \$598,400,000 in provincial grants. Our demand is clear: if the Province is collecting money from Vancouverites for schools, it should go to Vancouver schools. Give Vancouver students the \$60 million shortfall that the province keeps.



TEACH EVERY STUDENT ESSENTIAL LIFE SKILLS LIKE SWIMMING

Swimming is more than recreation; it is a life-saving skill. An ABC School Board will work with the Vancouver Park Board and community partners to bring swimming instruction into physical education, removing barriers so every child has the opportunity to become water-safe.