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Policy XXX: Accessibility

The Board of Education of School District 70 Pacific Rim recognizes the diversity of our School District and classrooms strengthens learning opportunities and fosters learning environments that value the contributions of all members of our school communities.

The Board of Education further identifies accessibility, in addition to inclusion, as a core value and supports the principle of accessibility in all aspects of the district's sites, educational programs, classrooms, schools, and community interactions. The values evident in the principle of accessibility honours diversity, equity, safety, and an individual's right to have made accessible to them the school district, school environment, and learning opportunities.

This policy captures protected grounds covered by the *Accessible British Columbia Act*, the *Order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council Number 218*, the *Human Rights Code of BC* and is intended to ensure that all employees, regardless of their personal beliefs, reflect on how their actions and interactions create an accessible, respectful, safe and supportive environment for all members of our school communities. Therefore, the Board of Education expects the principles of accessibility are reflected in the creation of the following: Accessibility District Committee; District Accessibility Plan; Public Feedback Format.