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Policy XX: Newcomer Students with Refugee Experience

The School District 70 Pacific Rim Board of Education supports all school staff in their work with children and youth who are newcomers with refugee experience, offering strategies for teachers working with children and youth and their families to ensure all newcomer students in SD70 have access to a quality education as asserted in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the Convention Against Discrimination in Education, and the International Convention on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights.

The right to education for refugees is asserted in the 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees and reaffirmed for both primary and secondary schooling in the 2016 New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants

Note: The rights listed here are outlined in the BC Ministry of Education and Child Care Students with Refugee Experience: A Teacher and School Guide (pg. 1).