



## **POLICY STATEMENT**

The Board of Education (the Board) recognizes its role and responsibility as stewards of the environment. The Board recognizes that trees are integral to the environment, add character to our communities, and are valued by its constituents, staff and students. Trees improve the landscape of district facilities and schools and provide many other benefits including:

- a healthy environment, by filtering air pollutants and stabilizing soil on slopes
- improved grounds, with more privacy and shelter from wind, sun and rain
- and, economic savings, by helping reduce energy costs.

The Pacific Rim School District places significant value on the trees that grace our community, and desires to ensure that trees are removed only when absolutely necessary, with appropriate consultation, and only with the proper approval.

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## **Resources and References**

Abbotsford School District Administrative Procedure 521: Tree Removal  
NEW: Environmental Stewardship Policy (Pacific Rim School District)  
XXXX: Tree Protection (AP) (Pacific Rim School District)  
City of North Vancouver Tree Protection Bylaw 7671