

The AEC is made up of delegated representatives of the K'ómoks First Nation, the Wachiy Friendship Centre, the MIKI'SIW Metis Association, Upper Island Women of Native Ancestry, Comox Valley Aboriginal Head Start, North Island College, School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) Board of Education Trustee Liaison, elected parents/guardians of Aboriginal students, an elected parent/guardian of an Aboriginal child 0-5 years, Comox District Teachers' Association (CDTA) teacher representative, CUPE 439 and invited Elders.

Our vision for Aboriginal students is to have a balance between academic performance and Aboriginal culture and identity that will foster the value of lifelong learning.

THE AEC Believes in:

- honouring the traditional territory of the K'ómoks people and recognizing the importance of their leadership role in Aboriginal Education;
- sharing our world view we take a leading role in education;
- exercising our right to participate in the decisions affecting Aboriginal children and their families;
- a shared responsibility to provide quality education for our children and families
- involving parents at all levels;
- respecting and honouring the cultural diversity within the Aboriginal community;
- continuous learning to improve the quality of life;
- the validity of Aboriginal (knowledge) ways of knowing;
- striving for unity of one voice as a Council;
- open and respectful communication at all levels;
- the permanence of Aboriginal culture and rights.