

British Columbia School Trustees Association (BCSTA)

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School boards pay an annual membership fee based on the number of students in the district to belong to the BCSTA. Membership is voluntary.

The mission of the BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) is to support and advocate for effective public school boards in British Columbia.

The mission of BCSTA is driven by the following beliefs:

1. We believe that a high-quality public education system is the foundation of a democratic society.
2. We believe that improving student achievement is the key work of locally elected school boards.
3. We believe that the interests of BC students are best met through local decision-making with an engaged community.
4. We believe that an important role of BCSTA is to provide a strong, representative voice for school boards throughout the province.
5. We believe that an important role of BCSTA is to help build effective school boards by providing development, communications, and support services.

Values

As the provincial organization for school trustees in British Columbia, the BC School Trustees Association believes:

- 1) that school trustees and boards are our valued clients;
- 2) that serving the needs of school districts is our prime focus;
- 3) that value for investment by members is our commitment;
- 4) that positive communication among all the educational partners, including government, is necessary;
- 5) that collaboration and cooperation are essential common goals;
- 6) that the Association must act with integrity, endorse an open style, and respect the diversity of regions and communities.