



**NANAIMO LADYSMITH**  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Letter from the Office of the  
Superintendent

December 16, 2022

**RE: Farm to School BC**

Dear Tessa Stiven,

Thank you for reaching out to the Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools' Board of Education. Your letter was shared with the Trustees at a meeting held in November and it was decided that I respond to your correspondence.

On behalf of district senior leadership, I wanted to commend and express gratitude for the work that Farm to Schools has done for our schools and the community. A connection to the land is one of our most important priorities – so much so that the Board of Education created a goal of being environmental stewards with also a focus on sustainability. Along with our Syeyutsus Learning Framework, we aim to focus on the Indigenous way of life and how it may apply that to the education system here in Nanaimo and Ladysmith.

I invite you to continue working with our schools and staff so that we can benefit from your professional development opportunities, school garden consultations, field trips, support through grants and more.

Happy Holidays!

Sincerely,

Scott Saywell  
Superintendent/CEO