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EDUCATION PRIORITIES - BRITISH COLUMBIA

The Rick Hansen Foundation School Program (RHFSP) offers educators free resources to help youth (grades K-12) learn more about improving accessibility and inclusion in their schools and communities. These comprehensive materials correspond to curriculum and education priorities in British Columbia.

BC'S NEW CURRICULUM **DIVERSITY IN BC SCHOOLS FRAMEWORK**

ERASE STRATEGY

BC MINISTRY OF EDUCATION SERVICE PLAN

HEALTHY SCHOOLS BC



- Fosters personal social responsibility and respect for differences
- Develops critical thinking skills for reflection
- Supports personalized learning through the incorporation of Universal Design for Learning (UDL) principles in lesson development



- Encourages understanding, acceptance, and inclusion
- Makes school communities equitable
- Fosters a culture that values diversity and promotes understanding of others
- Promotes knowledge and skills required to be socially responsible citizens



- Supports goals to help students develop responsible behaviour
- Creates solutions to foster positive relationships
- Promotes critical reflection on issues of identity and equity
- Helps students make social connections
- Enhances students understanding of inclusion



- Supports student wellness by encouraging inclusion
- Encourages safe learning environment by reducing bullying
- Provides opportunities for all students to participate in physical and wellness activities
- Fosters students' sense of belonging in schools



- · Highlights school connectedness and student learning
- Promotes caring relationship with the school and community
- Promotes a positive school culture through school-wide activities
- Gives students opportunities to learn about diversity through service learning





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EDUCATION POLICIES: BRITISH COLUMBIA

The Rick Hansen Foundation School Program supports key British Columbia education priorities.

The Rick Hansen Foundation School Program (RHFSP) provides free, ready-made materials to support the implementation of **BC's new curriculum**. The redesign of curriculum and assessment focuses on the competencies that are vital to personal and social success, lifelong learning, and to the changing workplace. RHFSP supports each of these competencies:

- Personal and Social: RHFSP helps students explore their own identity, develop an
 understanding of their communities, and identify and pursue personal passions that
 contribute to society. The program fosters social responsibility and respect for
 differences, and through practical projects inspires and empowers students to make a
 positive contribution to their communities.
- **Thinking:** RHFSP is built around activities and projects that develop specific thinking skills, such as problem solving, planning, and goal setting. Critical and reflective thinking are encouraged.
- **Communication:** Communication is a key part of the program, as students develop written and oral communication skills, literacy and presentation skills.

Diversity in BC Schools: A Framework. In striving to create and maintain conditions that foster success for all students, the Ministry of Education identifies key conditions including school cultures that value diversity and promote understanding of others. RHFSP can be a key tool in fostering such cultures. Key goals of the Ministry's policy include encouraging understanding, acceptance, mutual respect, and inclusion, in order to make school communities more equitable. According to the policy, a key attribute of a BC graduate is to have the knowledge and skills required to be a socially responsible citizen who acts in caring and principled ways, respecting the diversity of all people; these are also characteristics that RHFSP teaches to students.

Safe, Caring and Orderly Schools Strategy. This strategy recognizes that the school system must strive to ensure that differences among learners do not impede their participation in school, or their ability to become contributing members of society. One school principal who has implemented RHFSP recently remarked, "Since we started the focus on difference making this year, I see way more generosity, understanding and acceptance on the part of staff, more understanding of special needs students in particular, more acceptance of uniqueness and difference and that it can lead to great achievement and more willingness to take what kids come with and work with it."

The **ERASE Strategy** has been expanded to address complex issues related to identity, school culture, and student well-being in addition to bullying. RHFSP materials facilitate discussions on differences, respect and caring that foster a safe school culture and reduce the risk of bullying.

One of the objectives of the **BC Ministry of Education 2019 Service Plan** is to support student wellness. Priorities include students' sense of safety as well as their physical and mental health and well-being. RHFSP provides opportunity for all students to participate in physical activities and wellness activities. Its focus on inclusion fosters students' sense of belonging in their schools.

RHFSP is an approved resource of <u>Healthy Schools BC</u>, a program which aims to promote school health using the *Comprehensive School Health Framework*. CSH aims to improve students' educational outcomes while addressing school health in a planned, integrated and holistic way. RHFSP lessons engage the *community partnerships* and *teaching and learning* pillars of the CSH framework to provide students with opportunities to contribute to the health of their schools and communities, as well as developing their own sense of self-esteem. They promote key Healthy Schools values, including diversity and equity and school connectedness.

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CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS: B.C.

BC Elementary Curriculum (Grades K-9)	Rick Hansen Foundation School Program resources (Please note, resources from the secondary toolkit may be included for Grade 9.)
English Language Arts (Grades K-9)	
Grades K-6: • Word knowledge	Rick Hansen Story: • Lesson 3: Overcoming Challenges (Grade 3) Difference Maker (Elementary): • All lessons (Grades 3-6)
Grades K-9: • Reading, viewing & listening strategies	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: We Are Like Snowflakes (Kindergarten) • Lesson: School Inspectors (Grade 2) • Lesson: A Day in Your Shoes (Grade 2) • Lesson: Accessible or Not? (Grade 6) • Lesson: First Impressions and Stereotypes (Grade 7) Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • Design/Technology: Lesson: Inclusive Society (Grades 9-12) Rick Hansen Story: • Lesson 1: Making Connections (Grades 1-3) • Lesson 2: Setting Goals (Grades 2-4) • Lesson 3: Overcoming Challenges (Grade 3) • Lesson 4: Mapping Rick's Route (Grades 4-5) • Lesson 7: Anything is Possible (Grades 4-8) Difference Maker (Elementary): • All lessons (Grades 3-6)
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	 Lesson: Accessible Classroom (Kindergarten) Lesson: Everyone has Abilities (Grade 1) Lesson: A Day in Your Shoes (Grade 2) Lesson: Assumptions (Grade 3) Lesson: Accessible or Not? (Grade 6) Lesson: First Impressions and Stereotypes (Grade 7) Lesson: Assumptions (Grade 8) Lesson: A Day in The Life (Grade 8)
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Grades K-9: • Planning, creating & communicating.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: Everyone has Abilities (Grade 1) • Lesson: A Day in Your Shoes (Grade 2) • Lesson: Let's Play: Accessible Playgrounds (Grade 3) • Lesson: Assumptions (Grade 3) • Lesson: Assumptions (Grade 8)

	Rick Hansen Story: • Lesson 4: Mapping Rick's Route (Grades 4-5) • Lesson 7: Anything is Possible (Grades 4-8) Difference Maker (Elementary): • All lessons (Grades 3-6)
	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: Accessible or Not? (Grade Six) • Lesson: First Impressions and Stereotypes (Grade 7)
Grades 4 to 9: • Making connections & responding	Rick Hansen Story: Lesson 2: Setting Goals (Grades 2-4) Lesson 4: Mapping Rick's Route (Grades 4-5) Lesson 7: Anything is Possible (Grades 4-8)
	Difference Maker (Elementary): • All lessons (Grades 3-6)
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 Critical thinking Understanding personal, cultural & social contexts 	 Abilities in Motion (Secondary): English/Media: Lesson: First Impressions and Identity Labels (Grades 9-12) Design/Technology: Lesson: Inclusive Society (Grades 9-12)
Social Studies (Grades K-9)	
Kindergarten:Ways in which individuals and families differ and are the same.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: We Are Like Snowflakes (Kindergarten)
Grade 2: • How people's needs and wants are met in communities.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: School Inspectors (Grade 2)
Grade 5:	Rick Hansen Story:

Human rights and responses to discrimination in Canadian society.	Lesson 3: Overcoming Challenges (Grade 3)
	Difference Maker (Elementary): • Lessons 1 & 2
Mathematics (Grades K-9)	
Kindergarten: • Direct comparative measurement.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: Accessible Classroom (Kindergarten)
Grade 2: • Linear measurement.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: School Inspectors (Grade 2)
Grade 5-7:Multiplication and division; problem solving.	Rick Hansen Story: • Lesson 6: Calculating the Distance (Grades 4-7)
Science (Grades K-9)	
 Kindergarten: Weather changes; making, discussing & representing observations. 	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: We Are Like Snowflakes (Kindergarten)
 Kindergarten: Effects of size, shape, and materials on movement; Transferring & applying learning to new situations. 	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: Accessible Classroom (Kindergarten)
Grade 5: • Musculo-skeletal system.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: What's your T10, 11 and 12? (Grade 4)
Grade 5: • Simple machines and force effects.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: On the Move (Grade 5)
Career Education (Grades K-9)	
Work respectfully and constructively with others to achieve common goals.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • All K-3 lessons
Grade 4 & 5: • Demonstrate respect for differences in the classroom.	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • All 4-5 lessons Difference Maker (Elementary): • All lessons

Grades 4-7: • Set realistic short- and longer-term learning goals, define a path, and monitor progress.	Difference Maker (Elementary & Secondary): • All lessons Rick Hansen Story: • Lesson 7: Anything is Possible (Grades 4-8)
Grade 8 & 9: • Set and achieve realistic learning goals with perseverance and resilience.	Difference Maker (Secondary): • All lessons Rick Hansen Story: • Lesson 7: Anything is Possible (Grades 4-8)
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Social and community health:	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: We Are Like Snowflakes (Kindergarten) • Lesson: Accessible Classroom (Kindergarten) • Lesson: A Day in Your Shoes (Grade 2) • Lesson: Accessible or Not? (Grade 6) • Lesson: A Day in the Life (Grade 8) Rick Hansen Story:
	 Lesson 1: Making Connections (Grades 1-3) Lesson 3: Overcoming Challenges (Grade 3)
Social and community health: • Discrimination, stereotyping and bullying	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Lesson: Assumptions (Grade 3) • Lesson: First Impressions and Stereotypes (Grade 7) • Lesson: Assumptions (Grade 8)
Healthy Active Living: • Daily physical activity	Abilities in Motion (Elementary): • Educator's toolkit: station activities

	Lesson: Accessible Playgrounds (Grade 3)
Healthy Active Living: • Describe how students' participation in physical activities at school, at home, and in the community can influence their health and fitness.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • Physical Education: Challenge: Sports for Everyone • Physical Education: Project: Let's Get Physical • Physical Education: Challenge: Sports for All: Let's Para-Sport! • Physical Education: Challenge: Sports for All: Adapted Sport

BC Secondary Curriculum (Grades 10-12)	Rick Hansen Foundation School Program resources
English Language Arts (Grades 10-12, a Comprehend and Connect: • Applying reading, viewing & listening strategies.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): Design/Technology: Lesson: Inclusive Society English/Media: Project: Social Media Connects Social Studies: Lesson: Peer Advocacy
Comprehend and Connect: • Accessing and using information.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): Design/Technology: Lesson: Inclusive Society English/Media: Challenge: Picture This English/Media: Project: Social Media Connects
Comprehend and connect: Critical, creative and reflective thinking. Identifying bias, contradiction & distortion.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • English/Media: Lesson: First Impressions and Identity Labels • Design/Technology: Lesson: Inclusive Society • English/Media: Challenge: Picture This • English/Media: Project: Social Media Connects
Comprehend & Connect: • Making connections.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • Design/Technology: Lesson: Inclusive Society

	 English/Media: Project: Social Media Connects English/Media: Challenge: Picture This
Create and communicate: Using writing and design processes. Creating original texts. 	 Abilities in Motion (Secondary): English/Media: Challenge: Picture This English/Media: Project: Social Media Connects Social Studies: Challenge: Universal Design Social Studies: Project: The Arts and Universal Design
Create and communicate:	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • English/Media: Lesson: First Impressions and Identity Labels • Social Studies: Lesson: Peer Advocacy
Social Studies (Grades 10-12)	
Social Studies 10	
Competencies:	 Abilities in Motion (Secondary): Social Studies: Lesson:
Social studies 12: Social Justice	
Competencies: Social studies inquiry process. Content: Definitions, frameworks & interpretations of social justice. Social justice issues; injustices in Canada & the world. Processes & methods to approach social justice. 	 Abilities in Motion (Secondary): Social Studies: Lesson: Peer Advocacy Social Studies: Lesson: Accessibility to Vote Social Studies: Lesson: Disability Rights Movement Social Studies: Lesson: Equity and Equality Social Studies: Lesson: Creative Solutions

	 English/Media: Project: Social Media Connects Design/Technology: Lesson: Inclusive Society English/Media: Lesson: First Impressions and Identity Labels
Social Studies 12: 20th Century Word His	
Content: • Human rights movements.	 Abilities in Motion (Secondary): Social Studies: Lesson: Disability Rights Movement Social Studies: Lesson: Equity and Equality
Social Studies 12: Urban Studies	
 Content: Decision making in the planning of cities and regions. Contemporary issues in urban studies. 	Abilities in Motion (Secondary):
Social Studies 12: Political Studies	
Content: • Issues in local, regional, national, and international politics. • Current and future public policy.	 Abilities in Motion (Secondary): Social Studies: Lesson: Disability Rights Movement Social Studies: Challenge: Policies to Make Education Available to All Social Studies: Lesson: Equity and Equality
Content: • Election processes and electoral systems.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): Social Studies: Lesson: Accessibility to Vote Social Studies: Lesson: Accessibility to the Political Process
Social Studies 12: Law Studies	
 The Constitution of Canada and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. 	Abilities in Motion (Secondary) • Social Studies: Challenge: Policies to Make Education Available to All

	Social Studies: Lesson: Disability Rights Movement
Career Education (Grades 10-12)	
Career and Life Education	
Content: • Connections with community: inclusive practices.	 Abilities in Motion (Secondary): Design/Technology: Lesson:
Science (Grades 10-12)	
Physics 11	
 Content: Mass, force of gravity, and apparent weight. Newton's laws of motion. Forces. Simple machines. 	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • Science: Challenge: Science Solutions
Anatomy and Physiology 12	
Content: • Organ systems.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • Science: Lesson: What is Spinal Cord Injury?
Science for Citizens 11	
Content:	Abilities in Motion (Secondary):
Content: • Personal safety and awareness.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • Science: Lesson: What Is Spinal Cord Injury?
Applied Design, Skills and Technologies	s (Grades 10-12)
Business Education 10: Entrepreneursh	
Content: • Ethical marketing strategies.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • English/Media: Challenge: Picture This
Content:	Abilities in Motion (Secondary):

Customer needs, wants, and demands.	Social Studies: Lesson: Planning Accessible Businesses
Business Education 11: Tourism	
 Content: Design for tourism and hospitality services and products. Evolving sectors of the tourism industry in a changing marketplace. Cultural sensitivity and etiquette. 	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • Design/Technology: Lesson: Accessible Travel Planning
Information and Communications Techn	ology: Media Design 10
Content: • Media production skills.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • English/Media: Project: Social Media Connects • Social Studies: Project: The Arts and Universal Design
Content:	
 Ethical, moral, and legal considerations, and ethics of cultural appropriation. Digital citizenship, etiquette, and literacy. 	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • English/Media: Challenge: Picture This
Information and Communications Techn	ology: Digital Communications 11
Content: Impacts of social media in global communications. Ethics and legalities in digital communication. Content creation and curation.	Abilities in Motion (Secondary): • English/Media: Project: Social Media Connects • English/Media: Challenge: Picture This
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 Responding to discrimination and bullying. Maintaining healthy relationships & addressing conflict. 	 Social Studies: Lesson: Peer Advocacy Social Studies: Lesson: Equity and Equality English/Media: Lesson: First Impressions and Identity Labels
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Our materials support BC's *Français langue première M à 12 curriculum*. All materials are available in French and our team includes francophone staff who can assist you.

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