Hong De Elementary Accessibility Plan

- The Government of British Columbia is working towards being an inclusive province.
 There are over 926,000 people with disabilities in B.C. In June 2021, the Accessible B.C.
 Act became law. It provides a framework to identify, remove, and prevent barriers to accessibility. The new law is important in making B.C. a more accessible province.
- HongDe Elementary School is an inclusive space and is committed to identifying, removing, and preventing barriers to accessibility. As a Prescribed Organization under the BC Accessibility Act (2021), HongDe Elementary School is required to form an Accessibility Plan. As outlined on the Accessibility BC website (<u>BC Accessibility HUB | Helping to Build an Accessible and Inclusive British Columbia</u>), HongDe Elementary will meet the three requirements of the act in the following manner.

Committee: To meet the committee requirements of the Act, HongDe Elementary School is part of the AMS Accessibility Committee.

Plan: HongDe Elementary School will take the following steps in the 2023-2024 school year.

- A) We will do an initial assessment of the level of accessibility in our school building to identify strengths and needs. This will be complete by June 1, 2024.
- B) We will meet the requirements of the Accessibility Act by formulating this plan and posting it on the school website.
- C) HongDe Elementary School plans to relocate in the next 3 years and will work towards finding a location that further removes barriers.

Feedback: HongDe Elementary School will invite parents, visitors, and students to provide feedback through the process of emailing the school. Anyone with feedback on accessibility at HongDe Elementary is invited to email the Principal, Brittany Conlon, at brittany.conlon@hongdeschool.ca, or telephone 604-416-0388.

For more information about the Accessible B.C. ACT, see the following links:

Accessible B.C. Act (full Act)
Accessible B.C. Act (in force)
Plain Language summary of the Accessible B.C.

<u>Plain Language</u> summary of the Accessible B.C. Act <u>Timeline for implementation</u> (PDF)

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