

Directory of Partner and Stakeholder Groups¹

Acronym	Name and Weblink	Description
ABCDE	Association of BC Deans of Education	The association representing the nine provincial teacher education programs.
BCASBO	BC Association of School Business Officials	The professional association of school district business officials, including: secretary-treasurers, assistant secretary-treasurers, comptrollers, directors of finance, payroll and benefits supervisors, human resources managers, accountants, information systems managers and procurement managers.
BCCPAC	BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils	A charitable organization, registered under B.C.'s Society Act, representing the parents of children attending provincial public schools, with parent advisory councils (PACs), district parent advisory councils (DPACs) and parent associates as members.
BC Gov	Government of British Columbia	All B.C. government ministries and resources accessible through its website.
BCGEU	BC Government and Service Employees' Union	The union representing more than 72,000 members in 550 bargaining units in the private sector and public services, including support staff in a few school districts.
BCPSEA	BC Public School Employers' Association	The employers' association and accredited bargaining agent for the province's 60 public boards of education.
BCPVPA	BC Principals' & Vice-Principals' Association	The professional association representing the principals and vice-principals of B.C.'s public schools.
BCSSA	BC School Superintendents Association	The professional organization representing superintendents, assistant superintendents, directors of instruction and other senior executives of B.C.'s 60 boards of education.

¹ Adapted in part from BCCPAC materials

BCTC	BC Teachers' Council	As mandated by the <i>Teachers Act</i> , the council responsible for establishing the standards for the education, competence and professional conduct required of applicants and educators in B.C.
BCTF	BC Teachers' Federation	The union representing British Columbia's 41,000 public school teachers.
CAP	Canadian Association of Principals	The association that advocates for principals and vice-principals at the national level, presenting their views and opinions on a variety of issues and in many forums.
CMEC	Council of Ministers of Education	An intergovernmental body providing leadership in education at the pan-Canadian and international levels.
CPF	Canadian Parents for French	A parent-led, non-profit network of volunteers that provides support, information and resources for parents with children studying French through an immersion, intensive or basic French program.
CSBA	Canadian School Boards Association	The national association, including provincial board associations, that represents just over 250 boards serving more than three million elementary and secondary school students across Canada.
CTF	Canadian Teachers' Federation	A national alliance of provincial and territorial teacher organizations that represent nearly 232,000 elementary and secondary school teachers across Canada.
CUPE	Canadian Union of Public Employees	The union representing more than 85,000 workers in more than 160 locals, including support staff in many B.C. school districts.
EdCan	Education Canada	The independent national organization that supports thousands of Canadian K-12 educators, researchers and partner groups; and that through research and action seeks to influence educational transformation in Canada. Formerly the Canadian Education Association (CEA).

EFMA	Educational Facility Managers Association of BC	The provincial organization representing members working in the area of district facilities. Formerly the School Plant Officials Association of BC (SPOABC).
FISA	Federation of Independent School Associations of BC	The non-profit society, with voluntary membership, that represents 300 of the 350 independent schools in B.C. and 94% of the province's total independent-school enrolment.
FNESC	First Nations Education Steering Committee	The First Nations organization focused on advancing quality education for all First Nations learners and working at the provincial level to provide services in the areas of research, communications, information dissemination, advocacy, program administration and networking.
FNSA	First Nations Schools Association	An independent, non-profit society and charity working on behalf of and supporting approximately 130 First Nations schools in B.C. in creating effective, nurturing and linguistically and culturally appropriate education environments.
MOE	Ministry of Education	B.C. ministry providing leadership and support to boards of education and school districts .
TRB	Teacher Regulation Branch	The branch providing operational support to the regulatory structure for the teaching profession in British Columbia.