



## **DRAFT Planning Principles**

Following are a set of draft Planning Principles intended to provide broad direction to the design of a renewed Kits School. The draft principles were developed with input from the Kits School Planning Team (KSPT), and will be refined with further feedback from both the KSPT and the VSB Steering Committee.

- 1. Create a Model 21st Century School**  
...that exemplifies best practices in student-focused, adaptable learning environments
- 2. Protect and Enhance the School Spirit and Sense of Place**  
...during construction and within the renewed school
- 3. Plan for Sustainability**  
...by identifying opportunities for reuse and introducing new technologies, approaches and “green” practices
- 4. Ensure a Safe and Secure School Facility**  
...that is welcoming and inclusive, while being efficient to supervise and structurally resilient
- 5. Improve the Health and Wellbeing of the Entire School Community**  
...by creating a healthy school facility, and providing space for mental reprieve and physical fitness
- 6. Create Stronger Connections with the Kitsilano Community Centre**  
...through the site design and provision of shared program space
- 7. Plan the School as a Neighbourhood Centre for Learning and Development**  
...by maximizing opportunities for community use and partnerships without compromising the learning environment or safety of the school
- 8. Respect the 1927 Heritage Block**  
...and seek to retain the iconic and valued elements of this building in the renewed school
- 9. Provide Great Outdoor Space**  
...for year-round use by students and the whole community
- 10. Plan for Implementation and Fiscal Viability**  
...within the known budgets and timeframes
- 11. Plan to Minimize Phasing and Construction Time**  
...to reduce disruption to the school community as much as possible