

BETTY GILBERT MIDDLE SCHOOL 2024-2025 ACTION PLAN FOR LEARNING

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SCHOOL CONTEXT

- Betty Gilbert Middle School (BGMS) is part of the Langley School District which resides on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral territories of the Matsqui, Kwantlen, Katzie, and Semiahmoo First Nations.
- Located in Aldergrove, BGMS is a community school that reflects a diverse population. BGMS is a proud member of the Aldergrove Family of Schools including: Parkside Centennial Elementary, Shortreed Community Elementary, and Aldergrove Community Secondary School.
- The BGMS student body is primarily a blend of students from our two feeder elementary schools, as well as a growing population of students new to Canada.
- BGMS has a constantly growing enrolment. We currently have just under 500 students in our 19 Divisions.

OVERVIEW

BGMS is a thriving school. Each day, the building is filled with a student body that is deserving of both high-level academic supports and interventions addressing social and emotional wellness. The staff at BGMS are a team of dedicated professionals striving to meet the needs of all students so that their middle years are filled with joy, increasing self-confidence, and academic gains. We care deeply for our students and are proud of the environment and opportunities we provide.

SCHOOL GOALS

1. LITERACY

Developing a schoolwide culture of positivity towards reading, underpinned by specific and targeted instructional strategies to improve student literacy skills.

2. NUMERACY

Developing a schoolwide culture of positivity and growth mindset towards Math, underpinned by specific and targeted instructional strategies to improve calculation skills.

3. STAFF TEAM

Strengthening our staff professional learning communities (PLCs) within a culture of collaboration, communication, and compassion with a focus on improving results in academic learning and wellness for all learners.

4. SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Fostering resiliency with restorative practice while developing a strong culture of connection, care, and belonging ensuring BGMS is inclusive, safe, and accepting for all students.