

## Board of Education Nicola Similkameen School District No. 58 Policy

Success for All Learners ~Today and Tomorrow

## POLICY 3.80 ANIMALS IN SCHOOLS

The Board of Education believes that with regard to animals in schools or offices, it is important to recognize that the school district is first and foremost a learning environment and workplace.

Animals may be brought into schools for instructional purposes; as a school support service; or when identified within an individual student's Support Plan or an employee's approved accommodation plan. Assistance dogs are accommodated within the *Guide Dog and Service Dog Act*.

Under no circumstances shall animals that pose actual or potential safety risks and/or health risks to students and/or employees be allowed in schools or classrooms.