

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.22 (VERNON)

BOARD POLICY NO: 2.9

Programs of Choice	
Approval Date:	
Amendment Date(s):	
Reference(s):	Board Policy 1.2 (<i>Students have many pathways to pursue and achieve desired outcomes.</i>)

Programs of Choice are educational programs that have the following characteristics:

- A specific pedagogical philosophy that blends multiple curricular areas.
- Students enroll in the program full time for at least one semester or year
- Located at a specific school site with the entire School District being the educational programs' catchment area.

The Superintendent shall ensure that Programs of Choice are:

- of an equivalent or higher educational standard; and
- a similar cost to the Board

as regular educational programs.

The Superintendent shall make available to all students enrolled in the School District at least the following Programs of Choice:

- French Immersion
 - Allows students to graduate with both a French and English Dogwood Certificate.
- Montessori
 - Provides learning opportunities within a prepared environment where children learn at their own pace and cultivate skills like problem-solving, collaboration, and self-discipline.
- Awaken Inquiry and Adventure Okanagan
 - Provides learning opportunities that are rooted in place and nature-based educational practices.
- Forestry/Trades program
 - Provides education in, and exposure to the essential skills of the workforce.