

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
School District #33 (Chilliwack)**

**611
POLICY
District Programs & Schools of Choice**

The Board of Education believes that providing high standard quality educational programs and schools for all students will lead to increased student engagement and achievement. Although the Board believes that catchment schools are central in meeting the educational needs of students, the Board recognizes and encourages the development of choice for students, parents and staff.

DEFINITIONS:

School of Choice provides a program with a specific educational focus (e.g. traditional or fine arts), while maintaining the existing school catchment area (as per Board policy 531).

District Programs provide a specific education program and will normally have the entire District as a catchment area.