



INTENSIVE FINE ARTS

The BC Curriculum Goals and Rationale states, in part: *“A strong arts education benefits all students, communities, and societies by contributing to the development of well-rounded, educated citizens. ... Arts education ... stimulates students’ imaginations, innovation, creativity, and sense of well-being while developing competencies useful to students’ education and careers.”*

The Arts Education curriculum is founded on the artistic habits of mind – exploring and creating, reasoning and reflecting, communicating and documenting, and connecting and expanding. All are lifelong and transferable knowledge and skills.

While the development of artistic habits of mind and learning in all four areas of the arts (dance, drama, music, visual art) are part of the curriculum for all students, in the Intensive Arts Education choice program there is a particular emphasis on learning through the arts. A concerted effort is made to:

- go deeper in skill and knowledge development;
- encourage students to demonstrate their learning through the arts;
- use the arts as a lens for exploration of other curricular areas.

In the Intensive Arts Education choice program the arts are not seen as one part of the curriculum; **they are the lens through which the curriculum is explored**. We create learning environments where in-depth experience with the arts becomes a fundamental way of knowing.

INTENSIVE FINE ARTS IS OFFERED AT:

DAVID BRANKIN

9160 - 128 St. 604-536-1626

WHITE ROCK

1273 Fir St. 604-531-5731

Parents can apply for up to three choice programs. There are no special fees and you do not need to live near the school to apply but, **transportation will be up to families**. Please see the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page at www.surreyschools.ca/choice