



BECOMING an Associate Member



WELCOME



As an Independent or First Nations school in BC, you are invited to join Focused Education Resources, BC's member-focused, one-stop K-12 source for curated educational tools, preferred group rates on vetted software and supplies, and a host of professional development opportunities.

Your associate membership will give your school access to the same expertise and procurement agreements enjoyed by school districts across BC. At Focused ED, our team is fully dedicated to supporting our members in delivering K-12 excellence through the latest technologies and resources, all adapted to the unique needs of your school community.

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Our Members

WE'RE A MEMBER-DRIVEN,
NON-PROFIT ASSOCIATION
THAT EXISTS TO PROVIDE
BC'S K-12 SCHOOLS WITH
THE TOOLS, RESOURCES
AND TRAINING YOU NEED
TO DELIVER THE BEST
POSSIBLE EDUCATIONAL
EXPERIENCE FOR STUDENTS
AND EDUCATORS ALIKE.



We offer two kinds of membership:

VOTING MEMBER – For BC school districts.
All 60 districts are currently members.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER – For independent
and First Nations schools.

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Value



WHEN IT COMES TO TEACHING MATERIALS, WE UNDERSTAND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR YOUR SCHOOL TEAM TO HAVE SOURCES EVERYONE CAN TRUST TO BE EDUCATIONALLY ENRICHING, AGE-APPROPRIATE AND ADAPTABLE TO VARYING ABILITIES. WITH A VAST SEA OF OPTIONS, FINDING THE RIGHT ONES IS TIME CONSUMING AND PURCHASING THEM INDIVIDUALLY CAN GET COSTLY.

As a member of Focused ED, your school will benefit from the deep and up-to-the minute knowledge of our dedicated procurement and education services experts, who specialize in curating K-12 resources. We offer an array of options, all at unparalleled rates or available free with your membership.

“We’re committed to helping our members make the most of our offerings, so we create wrap-around services to do that. For example, we don’t just curate an amazing BC Digital Classroom, we create webinars to help people use it, we make the links to curriculum clear and we showcase it in action at our conference.”

MAUREEN CIARNIELLO, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION SERVICES

BC DIGITAL CLASSROOM

Our BC Digital Classroom provides exceptional value as an evaluated, curated and copyright-compliant collection of leading educational tools that will enable your educators to provide an enriched learning experience for students.

These digital tools are grouped by grade level, subject and topic. Many are suitable for student-led discovery, perfect for inquiry-based learning and equally accessible from school or home. There are also resources adaptable to different learning levels, such as World Book, which provides some of the same information for Kids, Student and Advanced learners.

BC Digital Classroom also includes text-to-speech offerings to support varying student needs or learning styles. In addition to the core collection, your school can select à la carte offerings to best suit the needs of your students.

K-12 EVALUATED RESOURCE COLLECTION

Included as part of your membership, our K-12 Evaluated Resource Collection provides educators’ assessments of more than 3,300 books, videos, websites and other tools that support BC’s curriculum. Each listing provides an overview of topic, content, and grade level to help your educators choose the right materials to supplement their lessons. Many of the evaluated digital resources are free to access and can be used in class or adapt perfectly to online learning.

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Benefits



WE'RE HERE TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR YOUR SCHOOL TO OPERATE EFFICIENTLY AND COST-EFFECTIVELY, WHILE ALSO PROVIDING AN EXCELLENT EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF ALIKE.

As a Focused ED member, you will have access to:

FLEXIBLE, EDUCATOR-DRIVEN RESOURCES

We know one size doesn't fit all. Your school team can choose from a wide variety of professionally vetted resources so they can create enriched lessons with ease.

LEADING-EDGE TEACHING TOOLS

Learning never stops – even in a pandemic. All Focused ED's educational tools and resources are online, which means whether your school's educators are looking for in-class or remote learning supports, we've got you covered. And, all our tools align with BC's curriculum.

BEST-IN-CLASS SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS AT THE BEST POSSIBLE PRICE

Focused ED negotiates with several enterprise software vendors on behalf of all public schools in BC, as well as member independent and First Nations schools. This volume enables us to achieve much lower per-licence rates than schools can on their own for key software suites such as Microsoft 365.

JOIN US

KEY SUPPLIES FROM SCREENED SUPPLIERS AT PREFERENTIAL RATES

From paper products to masks to classroom supplies, Focused ED evaluates a host of suppliers for quality, reliability and price, so you can order what your school needs with confidence.

FUTURE-FOCUSED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

To support your team in making the most of our digital tools and resources, we have created a library of webinars, with new live offerings developed throughout the year. Now more than ever, technology is creating new ways of delivering excellence in education. As a member, your school team will have access to our annual IT4K12 Conference, where the latest tools and solutions are showcased, along with great opportunities for collaboration with K-12 educators and technology experts from around the province.

Becoming a member is easy. Simply [click here to download our application](#).

Email your completed form to members@focusedresources.ca.

Our fees are based on the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students enrolled in your school. You may also be able to apply together with similar schools to access the FTE rate for that collective group. [Contact us](#) for more information.

THE CURRENT ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE IS:

STUDENT FTE	FEES*
0 – 399	\$ 630.00
400 – 999	\$ 840.00
1,000 – 1,249	\$ 1,050.00
1,250 – 3,999	\$ 3,780.00
4,000 – 9,999	\$ 10,080.00
10,000+	\$ 21,577.50

Fees are invoiced annually in July, other than in your first year, which will be pro-rated based on when you join.

**In addition to \$0.25/FTE SOCAN fee. [View the SOCAN agreement on the Focused ED website here.](#)*

QUESTIONS?

We'd love to hear from you.

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