

IDENTITY



What I did?

Guided the Nanaimo Christian School community into better understanding of who God has called our school to be through:

- ⇒ Strengthening community
- ⇒ Board development
- ⇒ Revised Graduate Profile
- ⇒ Developing a NEW Mission Statement and accompanying set of Core Values

What did I learn?

There are so many things that I learned that I do not even know how to begin answering this question. From necessary endings to healthy organizations from giving driven steps to strengthening my soul, the professional and personal growth has been staggering. I think what has impacted me the most is a renewed passion for Christian Education that recognizes the uniqueness of each child and a better understanding of the role that a Christian school in furthering God's kingdom in our community.

What difference did I make?

For the past 5 years, Nanaimo Christian school has undergone significant change, mostly positive. However, what was lacking was a unified understanding of WHY NCS existed beyond the purpose of being a Christian School. My identity project brought clarity of understanding to our school community and stirred up passion as we wrestled with core value issues, statements of faith, admissions issues, legal challenges, family crisis and Board dysfunction. Without the encouragement, direction and support provided through the Van Lunen program and my consultant, Zach Clark, the necessary steps of getting our story right, of renewing our mission and articulating our values would not have been done as effectively. We can courageously move into the future because we do so in the full confidence of knowing WHY we exist and what God has called us to be as a school.

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Belong - Believe - Achieve

In community, NCS pursues Christ-centered educational excellence that equips students to live Biblically, act responsibly, work cooperatively, communicate effectively and achieve success in who God has called them to be.



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