Relationships: The Fourth "R" Of Schooling

SD #48
Sea to Sky

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Presentation Summary

Traditionally, schools have focused on academic achievement or the three "Rs" of *reading, 'riting* and *'rithmetic*. In this presentation, a fourth "R" of learning is considered – social relationships, as critical to the creation of safe and caring learning environments and ultimately as a foundation for academic success. Acknowledging a growing body of evidence pointing to the critical role of positive social relationships in education, we consider how children's interpersonal competencies develop, the many different approaches to enhancing children's interpersonal growth that can be implemented in school settings and the impact of such work on both social behaviour and academic performance.

Autobiographical Sketch

Shelley comes from a family of ten children and is a mother of two. She is currently a Professor in the Faculty of Education at U.B.C., teaching in the areas of school psychology, as well as human development in education. She has published extensively in the area of social development and peer relations both nationally and internationally. Dr. Hymel works regularly with children and youth experiencing social difficulties and with schools and school districts that want to address the social side of learning.

When:
May 4/2010

Where:
Howe Sound Sec.
(Library)

Time:
7:00 p.m.

NOTE: The Board Advisory Committee: School Culture - will be holding their meeting on May 4/2010 (6:30 p.m.) @ H.S.S. just prior to Shelley Hymel's presentation.