

School Level Variables

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Variable	Definition
School Name	School's name.
School Mincode	Administrative code used to keep track of schools.
Historical Mincode	What administrative codes have been used for the school in previous years.
Geographic School District	A geographic area in British Columbia constituted as a district under the School Act. There are currently 59 school districts and one Francophone Education Authority.
Administrative	Administrative District excludes independent schools from the geographic districts and assigns groups of independent schools their own district number.
City	City in which the school is located.
Province	What province the school is located in (some are located in the Yukon.)
Physical Address	The school's physical address.
School Postal Code	School's postal code.
Mailing Address	School's mailing address.
School Email address	School's email address.
School Fax number	School's fax number.
School phone number	School's phone number.
Open or Closed	Whether the school is open or closed in a given year.
Date Closed	Date the school closed.
Date Opened	Date the school opened.
Student Headcount	The number of individual/unique students (as opposed to full-time equivalents) enrolled by September 30 in a school. Students include all school-aged students (5-19 years) and all adult students working towards graduation.
Elementary teacher count	Number of teachers at the elementary level.
Secondary teacher count	Number of teachers at the secondary level.
FTE Admin Elementary	A measure equivalent to the number of administrative staff, which includes only principals and vice principals, who work full-time at an elementary level in a school. This does not include clerical staff.
FTE Admin Secondary	A measure equivalent to the number of administrative staff, which includes only principals and vice principals, who work full-time at a secondary level in a school. This does not include clerical staff.

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FTE Elementary Support Staff	A measure equivalent to the number of support staff such as librarians, counsellors and learning assistance teachers who work full-time at an elementary level in a school.
FTE Secondary Support Staff	A measure equivalent to the number of support staff such as librarians, counsellors and learning assistance teachers who work full-time at a secondary level in a school.
FTE Elementary Teachers	A measure equivalent to the number of teachers who work full-time at an elementary level in a school.
FTE Secondary Teachers	A measure equivalent to the number of teachers who work full-time at a secondary level in a school.
Grade 1 present	Does the school have grade level 1?
Grade 2 present	Does the school have grade level 2?
Grade 3 present	Does the school have grade level 3?
Grade 4 present	Does the school have grade level 4?
Grade 5 present	Does the school have grade level 5?
Grade 6 present	Does the school have grade level 6?
Grade 7 present	Does the school have grade level 7?
Grade 8 present	Does the school have grade level 8?
Grade 9 present	Does the school have grade level 9?
Grade 10 present	Does the school have grade level 10?
Grade 11 present	Does the school have grade level 11?
Grade 12 present	Does the school have grade level 12?
Kindergarten Full Day present?	Does the school have full day kindergarten?
Kindergarten Half Day present?	Does the school have half day kindergarten?
Secondary Ungraded	Whether the school has students who are taking courses at the Grade 8-12 level whom the school personnel do not consider to be in a specific grade.
Elementary Ungraded	Whether the school has students who are taking courses at the Kindergarten to Grade 7 level whom the school personnel do not consider to be in a specific grade.
Number of Elementary Divisions	Count of number of elementary divisions. Divisions are usually defined as a group that studies together as a group in a single classroom throughout the day.
School Facility Type	Facilities include youth custody, distance education, alternate, summer school etc.
School Group	Whether the school is a BC public school, an external (a school located outside of BC but which still offers the BC curriculum), an Independent or a Federal Band school.
School Calendar	Semester or term structure.
Principal Name	School principal's name.
Principal Title	The school principal's title. (Mr, Mrs., Reverend etc.)