



# BENEFITS OF BUILDING SCHOOLS WITH WOOD

Over the last 10 years, more than fifty K-12 schools across BC have incorporated wood. Wood is versatile, resilient and renewable, making it an excellent choice to build or renovate schools.

## Safe + Durable

Mass timber construction has a proven safety and performance record for a full range of conditions including fire, seismic, and wind.

## Building Better

Wood schools can be built quickly and cost effectively due to off-site assembly and collaborative early design processes.

## Local Supply

BC has hundreds of wood product suppliers, mass timber fabricators, and experienced contractors.



**Ta'Talu Elementary School, located in the Grandview Heights area of Surrey, will be the first 3-storey hybrid mass timber elementary school in BC. Occupancy: 650+ students starting 2024.**

## Health + Wellness

Wood use in classrooms creates a healthier environment, promoting both mental and physical well-being while enhancing learning potential.

## Carbon + Climate

Wood products can have a lighter carbon footprint than other building materials helping to meet School District carbon reduction goals.

## Culture + Future

Schools can be a place of cultural expression and celebration with wood detailing creating a strong architectural expression, whether contemporary, artistic, technological or Indigenous cultures.

Learn more about wood use in schools in BC:  
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