



# WELL-BEING AND WELL-BECOMING IN SCHOOLS

## RESEARCH INITIATIVE

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### *About the Initiative*

This Initiative brings together researchers who, individually or as part of a team, work on research projects that contribute to the purpose of the Initiative. The work of the Initiative is driven by **the mission** to strengthen the contributions that school education in Canada can make to help individuals live flourishing lives in flourishing communities.

The **purpose** of the Research Initiative is:

- to deepen our understanding of what human well-being and well-becoming means in school education and what role it plays in it;
- to deepen our understanding of ways in which education for well-being and well-becoming in schools can be supported;
- to utilize these understandings as contributions to the discourse about and development and enactment of school educational practice and policy;
- to contribute to a productive public discourse on the role of human well-being and well-becoming in school education.

The work of the Research Initiative **is framed by** the following assumptions:

- A broad, holistic, multi-dimensional, and systems-theoretical understanding of well-being and well-becoming is the basis for the work of the Initiative.
- A conceptualization of well-being and well-becoming needs to be culturally responsive, responsive to the notion of a flourishing community, and responsive to the well-being of future generations.
- The Initiative benefits from research projects undertaken in different disciplines and from inter-disciplinary research, as well as from different theoretical perspectives, and through different methodological approaches.
- Educational concern for students' well-being and their well-becoming is a core purpose of school education.
- Fostering and sustaining partnerships with school educational groups and associations are of central importance to the mission and purpose of the Initiative.