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# Youth Climate Action Summit Set to Inspire and Ignite Change

Comox Valley, B.C. – Comox Valley Schools is excited to announce the upcoming Youth Climate Action Summit, taking place on November 14 at the Florence Filberg Centre in Courtenay. This event is open to youth in Grades 8-12 and promises a day filled with meaningful engagement, education, and collaboration on climate action.

Dubbed *Ignite: Feed the Fire of Passion and Change*, the summit will bring together passionate young minds and community leaders to explore actionable solutions to climate issues. This year's gathering emphasizes a shared commitment to fostering stewardship, reconciliation, and intergenerational knowledge exchange. The intention is to inspire youth to see themselves as leaders and agents of change, valuing the profound impact of their voices and actions.

"In this time of reconciliation, our shared purpose is to hold space to grow and strengthen our youth's hearts, empowering them with hope and agency for a more sustainable future," said Serina Allison, Lead Teacher in Environmental Sustainability and Numeracy. "We strive to ignite, rebuild, and sustain the fire of passion and change, fostering connections and a spirit of stewardship for our natural world."

Through leadership and mentorship activities, the event aims to cultivate meaningful relationships and a sense of interconnection among participants. It will inspire youth to act with urgency and carry forward the wisdom of those who have come before, with a focus on shaping a hopeful and inclusive future. By walking alongside youth and nurturing their passion, the summit seeks to plant the seeds of a movement that will flourish long after the event concludes.

#### Event Details:

Date: November 14, 2024 Location: Florence Filberg Centre, 411 Anderton Ave, Courtenay, BC

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