

# Charles Bloom Secondary

<http://bloom.sd22.bc.ca>

Lumby, British Columbia, Canada



**AKA:** "CBSS" or "Bloom"

**First opened:**

**Address:** 1894 Glencaird St, Lumby, BC V0E 2G0

**Website:** <http://bloom.sd22.bc.ca>

**Grades:** 7 - 12

**Average class size:** 24 students

**Total student population:** 340

**Staff:** 40

**School hours:** 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM/ 4 – 85 minute class

**School Motto:** Working Together for Success

**School mission:** The mission of Charles Bloom Secondary as a progressive, caring community school is to foster:  
a lifelong desire to learn; social responsibility; attainment of potential; adaptability to change  
by providing relevant learning opportunities and modeling and accepting only appropriate behaviour.

**About Bloom:** Charles Bloom Secondary School embodies the ideal of the community school. With a smaller population than the other district secondary schools – and located in the village of Lumby – Bloom is very much a family atmosphere dedicated to helping all students succeed and have fun. Special programs include our: international program, industrial forestry program involving a school operated woodlot, student leadership program, student voice, our Virtual School courses on-line, as well as a complete contingent of high school secondary courses. Traditional trades are popular electives in our school. Charles Bloom is also home to a Community Theatre which is host to both school and community theatrical and musical productions. Long term international student bursary program.

Bloom is especially proud of their school culture. Students and staff alike believe in mutual respect and promoting a positive atmosphere in which all learners can do their best. Athletic programs are growing and diverse. Regularly, they participated in provincial championships in Basketball. Visitors often comment on the warm reception they receive from Bloom.

International students who study at Bloom will benefit from the strong sense of community, the English-language environment in which to improve language skills, and the rural setting to experience the true Canadian lifestyle.

## About the Village of Lumby, BC

Known as "The Gateway to the Monashee Mountains", Lumby is a small village of approximately 2,800 located approximately 25 kilometres east of Vernon. Predominantly a farming community, Lumby is known for its outdoor pursuits including: horseback riding, hiking, fishing, and camping. Living in Lumby is the chance to truly experience the authentic Canadian small town life. Everything in Lumby is within a short walk; the village offers many amenities like parks, swimming pools, curling and skating rinks, skateboard parks, shops, and restaurant. The community has an active farm and ranch industry, allowing those students who wish to live on working farms, be near to animals, or be a part of a 4H Club a fantastic opportunity. Learn more about Lumby online at [www.lumby.ca](http://www.lumby.ca)



**School District #22 (Vernon)**  
International Student Program



## Academics:

Very strong science department which incorporates in-class, virtual, and tutorial assistance into all of its classes.

- Significant amount of one-to-one support available in all subject areas – after-school and lunch hour sessions

## Electives:

- industrial forestry program – including a school-operated woodlot
- access to traditional trades programs
- strong drama program which produces 4 shows per year including a dinner theatre production
- strong fine arts (visual arts) program
- excellent hands-on food and nutrition program
- Trade facilities in automotive, woodworking, and metal working.

## Athletics:

Bloom operates a strong tradition of sports programs in the school and the community at large. School teams for the traditional sports (basketball, volleyball, ultimate freesbie, soccer, and cross country skiing) are available plus additional access to activity through intramural and after-school sport programs.



## Points of pride

- Community theatre program involving students of all ages
- Exceptional volunteer opportunities through breakfast and lunch programs, community reading programs at the municipal library,
- Buddy Program – mentoring for students who are English language learners allowing students the chance to be matched up with another student to practice and improve English skills
- Small but strong international program hosted at Bloom. International students who have completed their program at Bloom have excelled.



## Courses Offered:

Communications  
English  
French  
Social Studies  
Accounting  
Mathematics  
Agriculture  
Biology  
Chemistry  
Earth Sciences  
Computer Sciences  
Information Technology  
Science & Technology  
Physics  
Art  
Visual Art  
Studio Art  
Acting  
Stagecraft  
Construction  
Forestry  
Carpentry  
Drafting  
Electronics  
Mechanics  
Welding  
Clothing & Textiles  
Cook Training  
Foods & Nutrition  
Data Processing  
Marketing  
Physical Education  
Student Leadership  
Athletic Leadership  
Geography  
History  
Peer Tutoring

## Student Groups:

Leadership  
Drama  
4H Club  
Yearbook  
Student Voice  
SOS (Academic Intervention)  
Tutoring  
Aboriginal Boys & Girls  
ESL Support  
Planning  
Homework Club  
Language Help  
District Scholarship  
Recycling  
Volleyball  
Basketball  
Fishing  
Rowing  
Soccer  
Cross-Country Skiing  
Counterattack

Note: All schools in School District No. 22 (Vernon) offer a broad range of courses, sports, activities, and clubs. If you don't see what you want, contact us for more information. Not every course is offered every academic year nor at all grade levels.