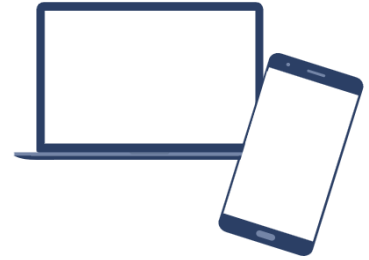


## ***Introduction to Digital Portfolios In Saanich Schools***

Digital portfolios represent a means by which teachers share student learning with students and parents. By “making learning visible” through video, photo, audio and notes, teachers reflect the learning and progress that is happening within the classroom for each student. Electronic sharing of captured moments and assessment activities that reflect student progress and learning allows for student self-reflection and greater parent engagement. Digital portfolios are used in conjunction with wise assessment, evaluation and reporting practices.



The goal of reporting and communicating student learning is to ensure that parents are well informed about their children’s progress while maintaining alignment with the Ministry of Education’s curricular competencies. Saanich Schools continue to evolve in their assessment, evaluation and reporting practices to align with the redesigned curriculum and emerging technologies. As such, teachers are able to use electronic means for communicating student learning with parents and for engaging students in their own learning.



Currently, the Saanich School District supports [FreshGrade](#) as our one Digital Portfolio platform for reporting and assessment. FreshGrade is a BC-based, secure, and private service. Personally identifiable information (first and last name, and photos and videos of learning) is uploaded and stored on secure servers located in Canada, in full compliance with the British Columbia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA).