

# LKWUNGEN GREETING AND WELCOME

Esquimalt and Songhees Nations welcome visitors to their traditional territories with the following:



**A'si'em nu'shwala'kwa**  
**(Oh-sea-em new-shwa-la-kwa)**  
*My honourable close family*



**A'si'em nu schala'cha**  
**(Oh-sea-em new-chayla-cha)**  
*My honourable friends*

**Hay'sxw'qa gwns âne 'techul Lkwungen Tung'ex<sup>w</sup>**  
**(Hy-sh-kwa gwuns ana techul Lakwunen too-nulth)**  
*Thank you for coming to Xsapsam and Lkwungen land,  
the land of the smoked herring*

**Hay'sxw'qa si'em nakwilia**  
**(Hy-sh-kwa sea-em na-kwil-ia)**  
*Thank you my honourable people*

**Traditional acknowledgement of Esquimalt  
and Songhees Nation territories:**

**The Greater Victoria School District wishes to  
recognize and acknowledge the Esquimalt and  
Songhees Nations, on whose traditional  
territories, we live, we learn, and we do our work.**

