

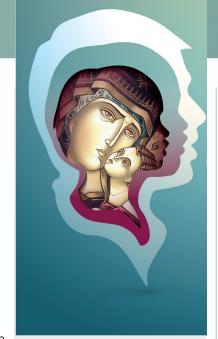


# EDMONTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS AERR 2019-2020 SUMMARY

## LOCAL & SOCIETAL CONTEXT

ACCOUNTABILITY PILLAR HIGHLIGHTS The Edmonton Catholic School Division continues to examine trended data over time in order to develop robust plans for improvement. ECSD will continue to develop resources that support excellent pedagogy and assessment literacy for teachers and instructional leaders at all Division levels.

Measures	Evaluation
Safe and Caring	Excellent
Student Learning Opportunities	Excellent
Preparation for Lifelong Learning, World of Work, Citizenship	Excellent/Good
Parental Involvement	Excellent
Continuous Improvement	Excellent



# FAST FACTS:

### **ECSD GRADE LEVELS**

Elementary	51
Elementary/Junior High	20
Junior High	11
Elem/Jr/Sr High	3
Junior/Senior High	1
Senior High	9
Alternative Ed Services	1
Total	96

#### ENROLMENT (SEPT 30, 2020)

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Pre-Kindergarten	595
Kindergarten	3,051
Elementary	19,614
Junior High	9,402
Senior High	10,811
Total	43 473

The ECSD High School Completion and Graduation Coach model has been an integral part of our Division's high schools for many years. High school completion rates have continued to rise. In 2019, the ECSD high school completion rates exceeded provincial rates by more than 5%. By focusing on the key pillars from the High School Redesign model; engaged students, high levels of achievement and quality teaching through personalized learning, meaningful relationships and mastery of learning, the goal of this Division program was to maintain these successful high school completion rates.

### **TEACHING & LEADING**

Learning Services promotes and builds collective and individual teacher efficacy through targeted professional learning opportunities and flexible supports. Our professional learning offerings are based upon areas of need identified through data analysis, ongoing consultation with our school leaders, continued conversations with teachers and consultant observations.

# OUR FOUNDATION | MISSION AND VISION

Mission - The mission of Edmonton Catholic Schools is to provide a Catholic education that inspires students to learn and that prepares them to live fully and to serve God in one another.

Vision - Our students will learn together, work together and pray together in answering the call to a faith-filled life of service.

### **COVID RESPONSE**

Due to the school closure in the spring, consultants pivoted towards providing professional learning that supported online instruction and technology proficiency. A variety of online PD sessions supported teachers in how best to utilize technology to communicate, instruct and assess.

Inclusive Education: Comprehensive resources were developed for early learning and supporting students with special needs across the multidisciplinary professions.

### LEARNING SUPPORTS

ECSD SAFE & CARING Performance Measures The Edmonton Catholic School Division prides itself in supporting families in helping their children be successful in their learning. We strive to see each child and youth have a sense of belonging and be successful in an inclusive environment. The 2019-20 school year saw the highest level of satisfaction over the past five years in the category areas of Safe and Caring, Student Inclusion and Supported Families. All measure evaluations improved significantly due to the many interventions that are put in place.

**89.7%** overall results for teacher, parent and student agreement that: students are safe at school, are learning the importance of caring for others, are learning respect for others and are treated fairly in school.

Inspired by our Division's mission and vision statements, Edmonton Catholic Schools is committed to offering a Christ-centred, competency-based learning experience for all learners.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL): One World... One Centre was created in 2012 in recognition of a need to provide wrap around supports, not only for the foreign-born student, but the student's family as well. ELL students are assessed using the Alberta ESL Proficiency Benchmarks in listening, speaking, reading and writing.

FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS AND INUIT STUDENTS (FNMI): Council of Elders guided by Kehteyak (The Old Ones) serves as our Indigenous authentic voice for Cree Language and Cultural programming for ECSD. Continually building partnerships, professional learning sessions and curriculum support to the consultants in delivering First Nations, Métis and Inuit outcomes on Indigenous Spirituality.

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION: We have a long history of working towards building stronger relationships in our community rooted in sharing the truth of Canada's historical treatment of Indigenous peoples. Foundations such as the Council of Elders, Indigenous Learning Services and the Nehiyaw Pimatisiwin Cree Language and Culture Programs were well established long before the Division's participation in the formal work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) in March 2014.

Every facet of our learning system is aligned to offer an excellent Catholic education that inspires students to develop the conceptual and procedural understanding needed for successful learning, living and working in Alberta and beyond.

### **GOVERNANCE**

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENTS: The *WALKING TOGETHER TOWARDS A GLORIOUS FUTURE* project was launched to analyse and review viability, successes and areas of improvement for schools and programs located across the Division.

BOARD ENGAGEMENTS / SYMPOSIUMS - Sponsored evening events included an evening with Father Richard Leonard, two parent events providing an overview of the Religious Education Programs of Studies, and an evening with David Wells.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT - The Board of Trustees joined administration to meet with the Student Voice team comprising of two students from each high school to discuss matters where the Division is particularly interested in student perspectives and guidance.

BUDGET SUMMARY - Information regarding the financial standing of the Division including copies of audited financial statements is available on the Division's website.

### Website Links:

Detailed information regarding the Edmonton Catholic School Division's AERR and financial information can be viewed as follows:

Annual Education Results Report (AERR) 2019-2020

The ECSD Audited Financial Statements

Government of Alberta website:

The Government of Alberta K to 12 Financial Statements