

# EVERYONE.

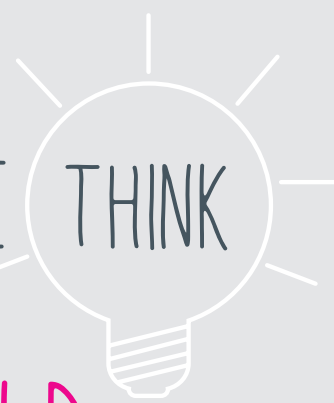
Teachers, school leaders, students, parents, community leaders—we're all involved in Alberta's success.

It'll take every one of us to make a difference. To collaborate and move forward.

Inspiring Education began as a dialogue with Albertans. We want to keep it that way.

Together we are Inspiring Education.

WE'RE CHANGING  
THE WAY WE THINK  
BECAUSE  
THE WORLD  
IS CHANGING.



WE ARE.



WHO IS INSPIRING  
EDUCATION?



WHAT DOES  
IT ALL MEAN?

INSPIRING EDUCATION IS ABOUT  
PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST.

Kids today have new and exciting learning tools at every turn. Want to learn more about Egypt? Google it. Fancy sharing a photo of the school garden you've been cultivating? Instagram it. Want to commend a great teacher? Tweet, tweet.

Inspiring Education started as a huge conversation between a whole lot of people. Albertans discussed the education system and told us what they wanted. We took their visions for an improved education system and created something stronger.

Inspiring Education is about creative thinking and taking initiative. Creating engaged thinkers. Ethical citizens. Entrepreneurial spirits.

We're refreshing our curriculum, supporting excellent teachers and setting our students up for success. Inspiring Education encourages students to speak out and have their say. We want them to stay engaged and enjoy learning.

We're giving educators the flexibility to do what they need for their students, in their community.

WHAT CAN  
I DO?

WHY IS THIS  
IMPORTANT?

# GET INVOLVED.

As a student, parent or community member, you can get involved by sharing your Inspiring Education stories.

Getting involved can be as simple as tweeting about a school that's inspiring creativity and innovation, or sharing a video that shows what engaged learning looks like in your community.

Learn more about Inspiring Education. Help spread the word about why our children deserve the best education system we can offer.

Teachers and school leaders, keep doing what you're doing. Continue learning from one another. We couldn't inspire education without you.

WE NEED TO PREPARE STUDENTS  
FOR THE FUTURE.

The world is changing. Work is changing. Jobs now exist that didn't exist five years ago—crafted around technology that is rapidly becoming more complex.

Today's students require a well-rounded education to prepare them for the future. We live in a world where anyone can discover the secrets of the Arctic without leaving the house, or peek at the depths of the ocean at the click of a mouse. Knowledge isn't limited to textbooks anymore.

We want to expand on traditional methods of teaching, not replace them. Infuse the tried-and-true approach with dynamic creativity and innovation.

We're encouraging Alberta's teachers to tap into their innovative ideas and giving them license to be more creative.

The world is changing. And our approach to education needs to change with it.

# THE PATH TO INSPIRING EDUCATION



2008

The Minister of Education begins an initiative that will create a long-term vision for education in Alberta.

2,374

ALBERTANS CONSULTED  
EQUALS:

- > 16 PERSONAL CONVERSATIONS WITH 152 PEOPLE.
- > 10 COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS AND 3 GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA CONVERSATIONS.
- > 122 PARTICIPANTS IN AN ONLINE CONVERSATION.
- > 1,000+ COMMUNITY CONVERSATION KITS DOWNLOADED.

2009

Apr to Jun > Inspiring Education community conversations begin, with participation from education partners who created the vision, including teachers, students, parents, school boards and school leadership associations.

May > Alberta students have their say at the province's first Speak Out conference.  
> The Minister's Student Advisory Council on Education is established.

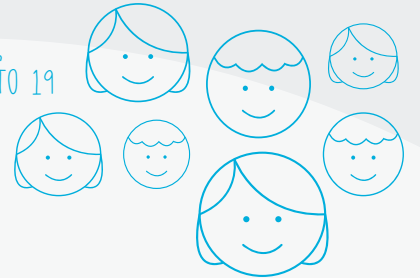
Oct > The Inspiring Education Minister's Forum is held.

191

PARTICIPANTS

1,433 ALBERTANS CONSULTED INCLUDING 361 WHO PARTICIPATED ONLINE

24 YOUTH, AGED 14 TO 19



2010

Feb > The Memorandum of Understanding for First Nation Education in Alberta is signed by the Assembly of Treaty Chiefs in Alberta, the Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada to work toward strengthening learning and educational success for First Nation learners in Alberta.

Apr > The Inspiring Education Report is released.

Jun > The government decides that Inclusive Education—supporting each and every student to reach their full potential—is a fundamental part of the vision for Inspiring Education.  
> Inspiring Action on Education discussion paper is released and facilitated dialogue begins.  
> The School Leadership Framework is released.

Oct > The Minister's Forum on the Education Act is held.

487  
PARTICIPATED IN  
3 ROUNDTABLES

74  
ATTENDED MORE  
THAN ONE

112 ATTENDEES

969

PARTICIPANTS IN ONE  
OR MORE OF:

- > ONLINE SURVEY
- > ONLINE FOCUS GROUP
- > ONLINE DISCUSSION



2011

> Review of Alberta High-School Credentialing begins.

Apr > Curriculum Research Roundtables.  
> Bill 18, Education Act introduced in Legislature.

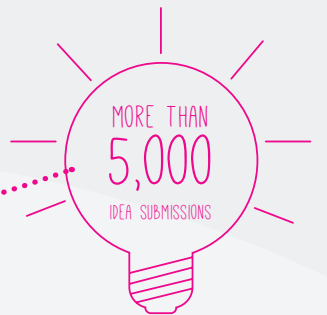
Sep > Alberta Education and the Alberta Teachers' Association partner together to host the Curriculum Symposium.

Nov > Our Children, Our Future: Getting it Right—public consultation on the Education Act.

ALL OF ALBERTA'S 600,000 STUDENTS INVITED BY MINISTER TO PROVIDE THEIR OWN INPUT.

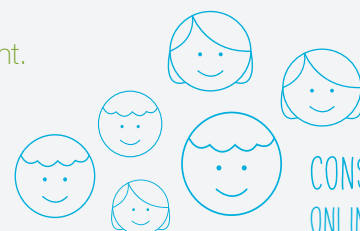
7 FULL-DAY COMMUNITY MEETINGS  
+ HIGH SCHOOL SPEAK OUT SESSIONS  
= 1,300 ALBERTANS.

MORE THAN  
5,000  
IDEA SUBMISSIONS



2012

Dec > The Education Act is passed in the Legislature and receives Royal Assent.



CONSULTED NEARLY 4,000 PEOPLE  
ONLINE FOR THE REGULATORY REVIEW

2013

May > The Minister of Education signs the Ministerial Order on Student Learning to focus on educational best interests of the student when making decisions about a child's education.  
> New Model for Provincial Assessment K-9 is announced. The new assessment model enables parents and teachers to better gauge a child's strengths and identify areas for improvement.  
> Provincial Dual Credit Strategy is launched to help high school students transition to post-secondary education and training.  
> Online Diploma Exams announced.

Jul > Public and stakeholder consultations on the Education Act Regulatory Review begin, including a comprehensive online survey.

Aug > Alberta Education invites publicly-funded schools to collaborate on developing new K-12 curriculum.

Sep to Dec > The Task Force for Teaching Excellence is announced and public consultations are held.

Oct > Face-to-face consultation meetings for the Education Act Regulatory Review were held across Alberta.

Nov > An Alberta Education evaluation team reviews collaborative approach to curriculum.

3,009 ALBERTANS  
CONSULTED =

- > REGIONAL CONSULTATIONS
- > ONLINE BULLETIN BOARDS
- > AN ONLINE SURVEY
- > FOCUSED DIALOGUES
- > WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS TO THE TASK FORCE

2014

Feb > The Inspiring Education Symposium is held.  
> Curriculum Prototyping partners are announced.

May > The Task Force for Teaching Excellence Symposium is held.

816  
INDIVIDUALS

INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC,  
EDUCATION STAKEHOLDERS, STUDENTS, MLAs,  
MINISTRY STAFF AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PARTNERS PARTICIPATING IN CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT PROTOTYPING REPRESENT MORE THAN 30 SCHOOL AUTHORITIES ACROSS THE PROVINCE.

2030

- > Children who enter kindergarten in 2017 are now graduating from high school.
- > They are engaged thinkers and ethical citizens with an entrepreneurial spirit.
- > The world has changed significantly. And Alberta's approach to education has changed with it.

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES...