

# Summary of our 2015-2016 Annual Education Results Report



## Fast Facts

- We continually welcomed students of all faiths who desired a Catholic Education, and served 9,243 students in 19 schools in Central Alberta.
- We continually focused on the education of the whole child fostering their spiritual, academic, cultural, physical, and social development.
- Our Division employed over 500 educators plus 100 substitute teachers, and nearly 400 support staff
- **93%** of our parents and students reported our schools to be **safe and caring** (provincial rate was 89%).
- Our student population grew by 4%.

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## Student Success

- **93%** of our parents and students reported the **quality of education** in our schools as **excellent**.
- **88%** of our parents and students reported our program of studies as **excellent** (provincial average was 81%).
- **84%** of our students graduated in three years compared to the provincial average of 76%.
- **89%** of our students model characteristics of active citizenship, compared to the provincial average of 84%.
- **85%** of our teachers and parents agree that students are taught attitudes and behaviours that will make them successful at work.

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## Priorities

We focused on four major areas in schools, which is known as LIFT:

- **L**iteracy: the key to students' success.
- **I**nclusion: all students are valued and differences are made ordinary.
- **F**aith: schools are **faith-filled** gospel-centred communities of hope, fostering Catholic Christian values.
- **T**echnology: infused into everyday practices to enhance learning for all students.

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[Division Priorities 2015-2018](#)



## We are Listening

- Parents, staff and students told us they were satisfied with their level of engagement in our schools.
- We continued to offer English as a Second Language (ESL) support in all our schools, with ESL students being our fastest growing population.
- Interest and enrollment in our Pre-Kindergarten program has continued to grow.
- Our Model of Student Support helps in the creation of a comprehensive mental wellness support for staff and students.
- Health Champions in each school helped to promote health, well-being, healthy eating and physical activities.

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## The Bottom Line

- Our operating costs for 2015-2016 was \$100 million, or \$11,007 per student.
- **88%** of our parents and students reported school improvement as **excellent**.
- Facility priorities included: modular additions at two schools, updates to St. Francis of Assisi Middle School, modernization of St. Marguerite Bourgeoys Catholic School and the construction of two new schools. The modernization of St. Patrick's Community School continues to be a priority.
- The Board's guiding principle when addressing budget decisions is to allocate funds to students, teaching and support staff when possible.

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