



Annual Education Results Report 2021 - 2022 School Continuous Improvement Plan 2021 - 2024



#### **VISION**

Our school division endeavours to provide each student with the opportunity to fulfill their potential and pursue their dreams.

### **MISSION**

We nurture each student's education and well-being within an inclusive rural learning community.

### **PRIORITIES**

Student Learning · Teaching & Leadership Excellence · Community Engagement

### **CORE VALUES**

Integrity · Trust · Honesty · Mutual Respect · Courage · Commitment

#### **BELIEFS AND VALUES**

- The parent is the primary advocate of the child.
- Every individual has the right to a welcoming, caring, respectful, safe and inclusive learning environment.
- Rural communities contribute to the success of all our students.
- All students develop a passion for life-long learning, innovation and excellence.
- Learning is a shared responsibility between students, parents, schools and communities.
- Learners are well prepared for active citizenship.

# **Public Assurance**

The planning and reporting processes that school authorities use reflect the guiding principles, domains and enabling processes outlined in the Assurance Framework. Effective planning and results reporting occurs in a continuous improvement cycle and are integral to school authority accountability and assurance. The planning and reporting cycle (see graphic below) involves:

- Developing/updating plans based on results, contextual information and provincial direction,
- Incorporating stakeholder input based on engagement activities at various points throughout the process, as appropriate,
- Preparing budgets that allocate or re-direct resources to achieve priorities and meet responsibilities,
- Implementing research and practice-informed strategies to maintain or improve performance within and across domains and focused on student growth and achievement.
- Monitoring implementation and adjusting efforts as needed
- Measuring, analyzing and reporting results,
- Using results to identify areas for improvement and to develop strategies and targets for the next plan (i.e. evidence-informed decision making), and
- Communicating and engaging with stakeholders about school authority plans and results.

The Division recognizes its responsibility to keep stakeholders informed about accomplishments and work toward the plan priorities. The Division and its schools will keep its school communities and the public informed of progress throughout the year on strategies identified in the *School Continuous Improvement Plan*.



# **School Profile**



Evansview School provides Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 programming. We operate with a population of 107 students and 13 staff members. We are located in the Lobstick Zone of the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division and the school is located in the hamlet of Evansburg, Alberta. Our students are supported with the part time services of a Family School Liaison Counsellor, BEST Success Coach and the centralized services of our division. Evansview school is fortunate to have a very supportive School Council that provides our students with numerous opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities.

# **Principal's Message**

Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic we have had to adapt to new restrictions that required our staff and our school to pause many of our programs until the pandemic is over. Our re-entry plan calls for classes to remain separate from one another and for limited mixing of students and grades. As a result of these restrictions many of the programs and activities our students normally participate in have been cancelled for the year.

This message will outline the activities that we normally participate in when we are not dealing with a global pandemic.

# School Demographics and Philosophy

Evansview School is a small rural school serving just over 100 students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade Six. Our involved and successful School Council meets on a regular basis and works to provide numerous opportunities for our students to be involved. The School Council President communicates with school administration on a regular basis to discuss Council business and the happenings taking place at the school. Being a small school, staff work closely with parents and the community, and in combination, are able to provide a well rounded education to our students.

#### Student Achievement

Staff at Evansview school are proud of the accomplishments our students demonstrate on the annual Provincial Achievement Tests. Our results consistently demonstrate higher than provincial averages on the Acceptable level of achievement as well as the Level of Excellence. These results are a culmination of efforts that begin in the early years and are continued through to the Grade Six level.

#### Students at Evansview School

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the students at Evansview school were encouraged to support one another by being involved in other classes. The older students volunteered time to eat in the younger classes, trained to be crossing guards, assisted with school assemblies, and helped deliver the breakfast program to the younger grades.

Building a strong student community is evident throughout the school. Our students create random birthday cards that are then passed out when it is someone's birthday, they assist with creating bulletin boards, updating the school sign, and the recycling program. In the past we started a card making club after school where students create handmade greeting cards and then send half of the total cards made to various organizations. Organizations include military families and seniors and we continue to explore other options. This year we are starting an Art Club after school that works within the COVID-19 restrictions we continue to face.

# Communication and Community Engagement

Creating a strong communication plan leads to increased community engagement. Evansview school communicates with our parents and community stakeholders through various platforms. Administration delivers a weekly email to each household with the weekly happenings around the school. The school Facebook page is updated regularly, the school sign is consistently up to date, and many of the teachers

utilize apps, email, text messaging or send home newsletters or daily journals.

Engaging the community is completed through the active school council. The School Council meets on a regular basis. In addition to the monthly meetings administration and teachers work to communicate with parents informally by providing bus lane supervision prior to and after school which allows for the informal but vital opportunity to gather feedback and establish relationships.

### Teaching and Leadership Excellence

Evansview staff is a small dedicated group of professionals who collaborate with colleagues as part of their professional development plans. Teachers work together to continue strengthening the literacy initiatives in our school and share resources and pedagogical practices. The Lobstick Zone principals continue to collaborate and establish plans to enhance continuity between buildings to ensure consistency when students transition to the next school in their academic journey.

### Engagement

Staff and community engagement take place at staff meetings as well as School Council meetings. Staff review and contribute directly during professional development days while parents are asked for input during council meetings and during individual discussions with administration.

Our plan to review this document will take place in the spring when staff participate in a planning session that includes a "Start, Stop, Continue, Tweak" portion of the day to measure success. The parents will also participate in a special meeting surrounding advanced planning for the next school year.

# **Assurance Measures Report**

- > Alberta Education provides all school jurisdictions in Alberta with Accountability Pillar Reports each year. The results for the measures of High School Completion, Drop Out Rate, Post-Secondary Transition Rate, and Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate are updated after the end of the school year.
- Parents, students, and teachers are invited and encouraged to complete the Accountability
   Survey (created by Alberta Education and administered at schools for students and teachers).

   Parents with students in Grades 4, 7, and 10 complete paper surveys or an online survey option
   which are both mailed directly to them.
- ➤ All students in grades 4-12 and all teachers are provided opportunities by GYPSD schools to complete the survey.
- > Surveys are typically open at the beginning of January until the third week of February and results of the survey are available in early October of the following school year.

Areas included on the Assurance survey and examples of questions asked to determine the ratings are as follows:

#### 1. Student Growth & Achievement

- Provincial Achievement Test results.
- Diploma Exam results.
- High School Completion results.

#### 2. Teaching & Leading

• Survey measure of Education Quality.

#### 3. Learning Supports

- Survey measures of Safe & Caring, Student Inclusion and Access to Supports & Services.
- Programs, services, strategies and local measures/data used to demonstrate that the school authority is improving First Nations, Métis and Inuit student success and ensuring all students, teachers and school leaders learn about First Nations, Métis and Inuit perspectives and experiences, treaties, agreements, and the history and legacy of residential schools.
- Programs, services, strategies and local measures/data used to demonstrate that all students have access to a continuum of supports and services, including specialized supports and services, consistent with the principles of inclusive education.

#### 4. Governance

- Survey measure of Parent Involvement.
- School authorities provide the amount budgeted for 2020/2021, the amount spent and the variance between these amounts for operational expense categories.
- Processes, strategies and local measures /data to demonstrate that the school authority has effectively managed its resources including collaboration with other school authorities, municipalities and community agencies.

• Processes, strategies and local measures/data to demonstrate that stakeholders were engaged to develop priorities and share progress and results, including how the school board met its obligations under the School Councils Regulation, section 12.

#### 5. Local & Societal Context

• Information about the school authority, students, staff and communities served (such as demographic or socioeconomic data) that provides context for the plan and report.

# **Diploma and Provincial Results**

Grande Yellowhead Public School division embraces the belief that all students can learn and develop their gifts. GYPSD Schools approach all measures of student success from within this philosophical framework. A vast array of classroom assessment practices, both formal and informal measures are employed to determine student success. Students receive the highest quality education and, in turn, the best opportunities to develop their gifts, talents, and potential in school and beyond.

As a result of COVID 19, Diploma exams and Provincial Achievement Tests were cancelled for the 2020 – 2021 school year so these measures have not been updated in the Alberta Education Assurance Measures Results.

# **Division Screening Tools**

GYPSD uses screening tools to assess how students are doing in reading comprehension and fluency, writing, and mathematics to inform instruction to ensure the success of all students.

# **Assurance Measure Results**

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### Required Alberta Education Assurance Measures - Overall Summary

Spring 2021

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		Measure	Evansview School		Alberta			Measure Evaluation			
	Assurance Domain		Current Result	Prev Year Result	Prev 3 Year Average	Current Result	Prev Year Result	Prev 3 Year Average	Achievement	Improvement	Overall
	Student Growth and Achievement	Student Learning Engagement	85.1	n/a	n/a	85.6	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
		<u>Citizenship</u>	90.9	95.2	85.6	83.2	83.3	83.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
		3-year High School Completion	n/a	n/a	n/a	83.4	80.3	79.6	n/a	n/a	n/a
		5-year High School Completion	n/a	n/a	n/a	86.2	85.3	84.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
,		PAT: Acceptable	n/a	n/a	83.6	n/a	n/a	73.7	n/a	n/a	n/a
		PAT: Excellence	n/a	n/a	22.0	n/a	n/a	20.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Diploma: Acceptable	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	83.6	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Diploma: Excellence	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	24.1	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Teaching & Leading	Education Quality	95.3	96.3	92.8	89.6	90.3	90.2	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Learning Supports	Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Learning Environments (WCRSLE)	91.1	n/a	n/a	87.8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Access to Supports and Services	85.9	n/a	n/a	82.6	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Governance	Parental Involvement	87.3	97.0	92.1	79.5	81.8	81.4	n/a	n/a	n/a

#### **Reading the Assurance Measures Results**

The Assurance Measures report consists of a common set of performance measures and consistent, fair evaluations of results. Through the Assurance Measures Report, increased emphasis is placed on achieving outcomes, reporting results and using results for informed decision making for the purpose of improving programs and student results in subsequent years.

Impact of the New Assurance Measures Reporting System:

- This was a pilot year for this survey in Alberta.
- Results are not available for PATs, Diploma Examinations, and the Diploma Exam Participation Rate.
- 3 year and 5 year High School Completion Rates are based on school based marks only.

### **School Data Story**

Creating Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Schools

Staff at Evansview school believe strongly in the divisional perspective that "All students are our students". With this belief in mind the school philosophy includes a focus to ensure there is equality among students.

The staff work to ensure student concerns are heard and addressed in a timely manner and inform parents of any concerns. Our school has a safe arrival procedure and each unexcused absence receives a phone call from our school secretary. Our teachers develop schedules with families to have all of the IPP's reviewed and signed after meeting with parents three times throughout the school year.

While working with students the staff provide opportunity and have expectations that match the zone of proximal development for each student. During Parent Teacher Interviews staff review student achievement and goals for the remainder of the school

year. During the Pandemic we have implemented Provincial and Divisional procedures to ensure the safety of our students and our community. We have been very fortunate to have parents and community members work in partnership with us and all have been very understanding and supportive of the actions we have undertaken.

Each week every family and some community members receive an email from school administration to outline the week's activities. In addition many staff members utilize a variety of communication tools to reach out to families.

#### Academic Success:

Evansview school sets high standards and expectations for all students in the building. Setting high standards encourages accountability and independence for our students and is reinforced when we celebrate individual student success. Academic achievement is supported with Educational Assistant time when necessary and is identified through the use of Individual Student Plans and Individualized Program Plans. These documents and the daily practice of our staff work together to achieve the goal of one years growth for every student in the building.

In addition to the academic goals we have for each of our students we also develop self-empowerment and character traits. Our students participate in numerous activities to encourage positive character development and leadership skills. We are happy to have a BEST Success Coach as well as a Family School Liaison Counsellor in our school.

#### Teaching and Leadership Excellence:

Students in Evansview school have access to the Family School Liaison Counsellor two days a week. This leads to increased support for students and staff. Trauma-informed classrooms combined with the knowledge and understanding of staff members leads to increased empathy in the lives of students which leads to increased safe and caring initiatives.

The staff at Evansview School are dedicated to Professional growth and development. Each staff member creates and works towards achieving the goals established in the individual Professional Growth Plan. Many belong to social media groups that support Professional Development and have established relationships with colleagues from different schools throughout the division and the province. Each staff member meets with administration to review progress towards the individual's Professional Growth Plan and to establish what is needed to achieve the goals in that plan.

#### Community Engagement:

Evansview staff meet annually and develop the School Continuous Improvement Plan for the year. After the staff has met, school administration meets with the Parent Council/School Council to review the plan. Part of this plan is to establish the variety of activities that will take place throughout the school year. The calendar is established prior to the start of the school year and then reviewed throughout the year. School council is very active in supporting the goals we establish and use the monies raised at the annual fundraiser to support the school. The Grouches Ball is the annual fundraiser and involves a large portion of the community. Through this fundraiser the School

Council is able to support field trips, school presentations, hot lunch programs, and a wide range of activities and supplies.

In addition to supporting the school with financial support the School Council is kept apprised of the financial situation and the pillar survey results. School Administration meets with the School Council on a regular basis and informs the group of happenings throughout the school.

Parents and community members are informed of weekly activities through the School Messenger system that is part of the PowerSchool Student Information System. Administrators create a weekly email that notifies parents of happenings throughout the week and gives notice of upcoming events.

# **Instructional Focus**

- Increase student comprehension of fiction and non-fiction text demonstrating one year's growth after completing the F&P benchmark assessments.
- Improve numeracy skills surrounding number sense and operations by one years growth.
- Improve Mental Math abilities for Division I and II students to grade level expectations.

# SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GOALS

# STUDENT GROWTH & ACHIEVEMENT

LITERACY SMARTE GOAL 1	STRATEGIES			
Increase student comprehension of fiction and non-fiction text demonstrating one year's growth after completing the F&P benchmark assessments.	<ul> <li>LLI</li> <li>Right to Read</li> <li>Guided Reading</li> <li>Daily 5</li> <li>3 Rs Assessment Questions</li> <li>F&amp;P Boxes</li> <li>Rainbow Words Program</li> <li>School staff-created assessment modeled after 3R Assessment.</li> <li>Home Reading Program</li> </ul>			

#### **Evidence of Success**

- Comprehend text at grade level using the F&P benchmark assessments.
- Demonstrate one year's growth using the F&P benchmark assessments.
- Student demonstrated improvement in each category of the 3R Assessment at the end of the year.

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NUMERACY SMARTE GOAL 2	STRATEGIES
Improve numeracy skills surrounding number sense and operations by one years growth.  Improve Mental Math abilities for Division I and II students to grade level expectations.	<ul> <li>Jump Math (Gr.1-6)</li> <li>Mathletics</li> <li>Math Makes Sense (Gr. 4-6)</li> <li>First Steps in Math (K) <ul> <li>Assessments in some classes</li> </ul> </li> <li>Thinking 101 (Geri Lorway)</li> <li>Quick Draw</li> <li>Context for Mathematics (K)</li> <li>Numeracy consultant for PD Day.</li> <li>Power of 10</li> <li>BrainingCamp Digital Math Manipulative</li> <li>Prodigy</li> </ul>

### **Evidence of Success**

- Increased student results on the final Mathletics assessment for number sense and operations.
- Increased fluency surrounding math facts and mental math calculations.
- Automaticity of math facts at grade appropriate levels.

# TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP

EDUCATION QUALITY	STRATEGIES		
SMARTe GOAL 1			
Teachers will apply a current and comprehensive repertoire of effective planning, instruction, and assessment practices to meet the learning needs of every student.	<ul> <li>Continued Literacy PD.         <ul> <li>Continued support from Irene Heffel</li> </ul> </li> <li>PD for marking HLAT assessments</li> <li>Numeracy support from Geri Lorway</li> <li>Utilize First Steps in Math to determine developmental phase for each student.</li> <li>Utilizing the GYPSD Technology Learning Library</li> <li>Anne Davies' Assessment Plan (K)</li> </ul>		

### **Evidence of Success**

- Increased results when comparing beginning and year end assessments.
- Students will demonstrate an increase of skills in identified areas of need as determined by specific assessment data.

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING,	STRATEGIES
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# **SUPERVISION and EVALUATION SMARTE GOAL 2**

- Staff will participate in literacy and numeracy Professional Development.
- Staff Professional Development surrounding behavioural and emotional supports.
- Staff will complete individual PG plans and meet with school administration to review.
- Consultation with Geri Lorway (Numeracy Consultant) and Irene Heffel (Literacy Consultant)
- BEST Success Coach supporting teachers implementing social and emotional behavior support programs and strategies to use in their classrooms.
- Family School Liaison Counsellor working with-in classrooms to support social and emotional regulation.

### **Evidence of Success**

- Decreased time required for students to self-regulate and return to classroom activities with their peers.
- Decreasing the amount of adult support required for self-regulation.
- One to one meetings to review Professional Growth Plans.

• Continued satisfaction survey results of 94% or higher.

• Evidence of one years growth on divisional assessments for literacy and numeracy.

## LEARNING SUPPORTS

SAFE AND CARING	STRATEGIES		
SMARTe GOAL 1			
• Students, Parents, and Staff will feel safe and cared for by the adults in the building while on the way to and from school and while attending Evansview.	<ul> <li>Crossing Guards</li> <li>Hand sanitizer and soap choices</li> <li>Re-entry plan</li> <li>Radios</li> <li>Vests for supervisors</li> <li>All staff supervision</li> <li>Snack/Breakfast program</li> <li>Supplying necessities for individual students.</li> <li>Outdoor drop off for JK/K</li> <li>Communication between home and school <ul> <li>Weekly Messages</li> <li>Newsletters</li> <li>Emails</li> <li>Planners</li> </ul> </li> <li>Google Classroom</li> <li>Developing personal relationships (Families and Students)</li> <li>2 weeks of Parent Teacher Interviews.</li> </ul>		

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STUDENT INCLUSION AND ACCESS TO SUPPORTS AND SERVICES SMARTE GOAL 2	STRATEGIES		
Students will receive timely ongoing support in areas of need.	<ul> <li>FSLC, BEST, OT, SLP, Therapy         Aide, Vision Consultant, referrals to FSCD         where applicable</li> <li>EA supports in class and small group         pull-out in targeted areas as outlined in         student ISP and behaviour plan</li> <li>LST to support staff in documentation and         analysis of data (FBA, behaviour support         plans)</li> </ul>		

# **Evidence of Success**

- FBA data analysis will show fewer instances of behaviour or intervention requiring supports
- Students receive timely and ongoing programming from therapy aide (and EA if applicable) to achieve goals set out by Khan Communication for OT and divisional SLP

Professional Learning responds to and reflects individual, school and district needs  $\cdot$  supports both short and long-term goals  $\cdot$  includes on-going self-assessment and reflection  $\cdot$  reflects a commitment to continuous professional growth  $\cdot$  provides opportunities for collaboration  $\cdot$  improves practice to enhance student learning.

#### We believe professional learning is the responsibility of the individual, school and division.

Data guides the decisions in both the division and the school. Your data analysis assists you in setting SMARTe goals for your school and for staff professional growth as articulated in your School Continuous Improvement Plan (SCIP). The professional learning needs that your instructional leadership team identify should stem from the data analysis that was completed.

#### **Instructional Leadership Team**

Your Instructional Leadership Team is the group that will help design and deliver the professional learning activities throughout the year. When planning for professional learning, you must consider how the learning will target the needs identified above and what evidence you will see in classrooms both in teaching practice and student learning.

#### **Division Professional Learning Days**

This section is where you will plan the details of your professional learning dates. Professional Learning dates should explore teaching and learning strategies focused on those areas identified in your data.

Date	Focus	Audience	Activities Planned
September 1, 2021	Numeracy, Literacy, and Health and Wellness	Teaching & Support Staff	Kick Off Event
October 22, 2021	Data and Instructional Focus	Teaching Staff	Data gap analysis: parent/teacher/ student.
December 3, 2021	Technology Training Numeracy	Teaching & Support Staff	Virtual Training 1st steps in Math
March 4, 2022	ATA - Mental Health Awareness	Teaching & Support Staff	ATA PD Program
April 29, 2022	Calendar Prep for 2022 - 2023	Teaching & Support Staff	Start/Stop/Continue
May 20, 2022	Year End Assessment Preparation and Analysis	Teaching & Support Staff	Review Assessments and progress throughout the year