**ECOLE ST. PAUL SCHOOL** 

# School Education Plan

2022-25





# **School Overview**

École St Paul School opened in June of 1977

Community Served - Thickwood Area, French Immersion students from all areas in the region (Fort McMurray, Saprae Creek), a small number of ELLs, Indigenous students (61), Exceptionalities (89)

**Dual Track School** 

Mission Statement: Together we grow respectfully in our faith, learning, and leadership. We are awesome!

#### At-A-Glance:

- Our school serves 465 students, including 271 enrolled in French Immersion
- Our school is supported by 23.5 certificated staff and 24 non-certificated staff, including office managers, indigenous liaison, counselor, OSC team, Caretaking
- Dual-track School, PreK-6 French Immersion & English programming
- Leader in Me and Apple School
- Our school offers a variety of extracurricular sports and clubs, cultural activities for Indigenous students and families, and a focus on multicultural celebrations including celebrating Carnaval and Black History Month
- Opportunities for students to participate in science fair, music festival
- Starting in September 2022, École St Paul School welcomed an in-house preschool/daycare to serve our families via a partnership with KP Squared
- Provide Out of School Care services for our students in Grades K-6

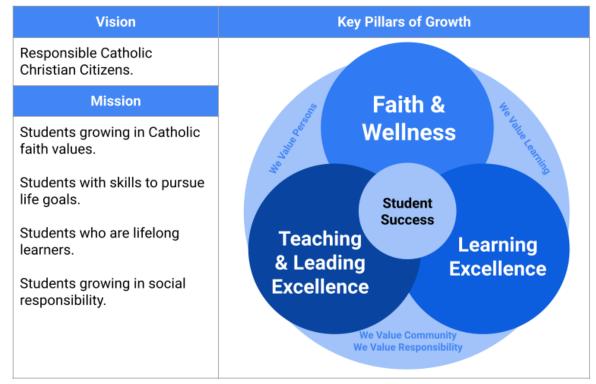


Figure 1. Vision, Mission, Core Values, and Key Pillars of Growth.

# **Education Plan Architecture**

Key Pillar of Growth Each pillar of growth represents the primary aims of the organization.

#### **Outcomes**

Three outcomes have been crafted under each key pillar of growth. These outcomes reflect the state the organization hopes to attain in an effort to ensure each student has the opportunity to achieve personal excellence.

#### **Strategies**

Each outcome includes a number of strategic actions that will be undertaken to achieve success in each pillar of growth. These actions will be implemented, evaluated, and refined on a continuous basis to ensure responsiveness to the local and societal context. The efficacy of these actions in relation to the key pillars of growth will be outlined in the 2022 AERR.

#### Measures

Each outcome includes a list of measures that will be used to evaluate the efficacy of the outlined strategic actions. These measures are a mixture of provincial and local data sets.



# PILLAR #1:

# **Faith & Wellness**

# **OUTCOME I**

Students will be provided with an excellent Catholic education that furthers students'
participation in their faith and enables them to discern the presence of God in their
lives.

# **Strategies**

- (a) Increase focus on permeation of faith, the 4 Core Values and Leader In Me into all subjects
- (b) Maintain religious programming (professional development of teachers with the Growing in Faith Resources) and provide more opportunities for teachers to learn about and practice their faith, with the help of the District Religious Education Consultant.

- (c) Provide more opportunities for students to learn about and practice their faith (ex. Bible retreat, Faith jam, student-led liturgies and masses, prayer wall, invite parish to school family events)
- (d) Provide more opportunities for staff to learn about and practice their faith (District Religious Education Consultant, our parish priests)
- (e) Invite our parish priests to drop in and visit at school read to students, play intramurals, participate in school family events, etc.
- (f) Implement a Prayer Path for Spring and Summer seasons to complement the winter and fall paths.

#### Measures

- Division Assurance Survey
- MRA Leader in Me Survey
- Feedback from Parish and Faith Permeation Lead
- Participation of staff and students in the preparation of masses and liturgies

#### **OUTCOME II**

2. The physical, mental, and spiritual wellbeing of students and staff will be supported through programming and education.

# **Strategies**

- (a) Provide purposeful universal teaching and support to staff, students and parents with the school counselor based on scheduling and counselling needs.
- (b) Introduce outside agencies and supports for students and families such as the Integrated Youth Network and FMCSD's Mental Health Worker, Sherri Bennett
- (c) Maintain productive and collaborative relationships with community partners and service providers to ensure the availability of wrap-around services for students and families
- (d) Maintain opportunities for students to participate in extracurricular sports and clubs, along with cross-school mentorship opportunities with Father Mercredi High School and Holy Trinity High School
- (e) Maintain focus on building community and staff wellness by providing opportunities for appreciation, recognition, as well as social gatherings
- (f) Provide opportunities for connection with Indigenous families and communities. (ex. Fall & Spring Evening Gathering, Coffee Time with an Elder, Nistawoyou Association Friendship Center)

#### Measures

- Division Assurance Survey
- MRA Leader in Me Survey
- Counseling Data
- Student and staff attendance
- Family attendance to school gatherings



# PILLAR #2:

# **Teaching & Leading Excellence**

#### **OUTCOME I**

1. Teachers and leaders will feel competent, confident, and supported in the application of excellent professional practices to guide and support the growth and achievement of all students in an inclusive and faith-based environment.

# **Strategies**

- (a) Provide staff with professional development relevant to best practices in instruction and assessment and create times for debrief after district-led PD to solidify learning and connect back to the school context.
- (b) Provide time and opportunities for increased mentorship and shadowing to enhance teacher practice
- (c) Allocate time for Lead teachers and Champions to help support teachers in the new curriculum, Leader in Me, technology and Comprehensive School Health.
- (d) Enhance communication with families about student growth and achievement with the use of Edsby Gradebook in division 2 and Edsby Portfolios/Learning Stories in division 1.

#### Measures

- Division Assurance Survey
- MRA Leader in Me Survey
- Division Assessment Data
- Leader-Led reflections in PLCs

#### **OUTCOME II**

 School teachers and leaders will acquire the skills and competencies needed to meet the standards set forth in the Teaching, Leading, and Superintendent Quality Standards as they relate to foundational knowledge of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples.

# **Strategies**

- (a) Foster positive relationships and engage with Indigenous communities and families to support increased student success
- (b) Provide ongoing professional learning opportunities and experiences for teachers related to the application of foundational knowledge of First Nations, Métis and Inuit.
- (c) Provide learning opportunities for all grade 4 students with the Full Circle Mentoring Program sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club
- (d) Enhance the visibility and integration of Indigenous Culture in the school and all classrooms with the use of posters, painting and incorporation of Indigenous knowledge and ways of knowing (ex. Nature walks with our Liaison, creating a formal Indigenous gathering space)
- (e) Enhance, empower and connect students and educators to further reconciliation through awareness, education and action through the use of the Legacy Schools program, participation in various ceremonies and cultural practices, the teepee and the monthly focus on the Calls to Action

### Measures

- Division Assurance Survey
- MRA Leader in Me Survey
- Feedback from students, staff, families, and communities
- Student Attendance



# PILLAR #3:

# **Learning Excellence**

#### **OUTCOME I**

1. Students will achieve personal excellence in literacy and mathematics.

# **Strategies**

- (a) Ensure students experience learning in mathematics-rich and literacy-rich environments guided by research-informed best practices
- (b) Maintain the intentional focus on research-informed best practices as they relate to instructional strategies in literacy and mathematics, both within the classroom setting and through our literacy intervention programming. (Pilot project: Building Thinking Classrooms in Mathematics)
- (c) Maintain the intentional focus on research-informed best practices as they related to assessment strategies in literacy and mathematics
- (d) Collect and analyze student learning data to support in planning and assessment of literacy and numeracy needs

#### Measures

- Division Assessment Data: LeNS/CC3 (1-3), F&P/GB+ (1-6), Writing Sample (1-6), MIPI (4-6), Alberta Ed. Numeracy Screener (1-3), Gr 6 PATs
- AEA Survey
- MRA survey

#### **OUTCOME II**

2. Students will access learning opportunities and supports that address their diverse learning needs.

#### **Strategies**

- (a) Maintain the use of the Response to Intervention strategies and conversations throughout the year to ensure equitable, appropriate, and tiered supports are provided to all students.
- (b) Ensure that students receive effective, timely, and seamless support at the various transition points throughout their educational journey (Kinder->Gr 1, Gr 3->4, Grade 6->7).

- (c) Enhance French Immersion programming and student retention from K-12 with an intentional focus on professional development for teachers in the area of inclusive education and differentiation, cross-school partnerships with Holy Trinity High School and in school child-care services through KP Squared.
- (d) Enhance programs, academic and cultural supports that ensure an inclusive and equitable learning environment where all students feel a sense of safety, belonging, and value.

#### Measures

- RTI Meetings
- Student Attendance
- MRA Survey
- AEA Survey
- Counseling Data
- French Immersion Retention Data