

# Holy Spirit Catholic School Division Annual Education Assurance Report Summary 2021/2022

#### **Division Profile**

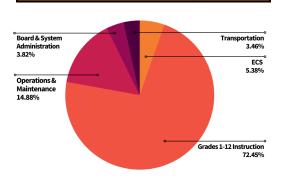
- 16 schools and 1 outreach centre
- 5067 students from Kindergarten to Grade 12
- 225 children in Early Learning Programs
- 528.74 FTE staff members
- Proudly serving the communities of Bow Island, Coaldale, Lethbridge,
   Picture Butte, Pincher Creek, Taber, and surrounding areas.

# Fiscal Stewardship

Our finances must always reflect our values. To support excellence in learning and ensure that all students receive the opportunities to become the persons God created them to be, financial allocations must support a maximum allotment of dollars to the classroom and equity in the distribution of these dollars.

The 2021/2022 actual operating expenditures for the school division were \$63,303,707. Of this total, over 77% was focused on ECS to Grade 12 instruction:

ECS	\$ 3,406,408
Grades 1-12 Instruction	\$45,864,525
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 9,420,496
Board & System Administration	\$ 2,419,665
Transportation	\$ 2,192,613
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	\$63,303,707



### **Priorities and Successes**



Priority 1: Staff and students will grow in their faith and experience the richness of Catholic Education.

As a Catholic school division it is essential that we live our faith publicly and serve as role models to our students and communities. Some of the results that we are most proud of:

- 97% of staff felt that the Faith Plan Theme, *Transformed* by the Journey, and corresponding calls to action inspired and helped them to grow in their own faith
- 94% of students agreed that their school is a Catholic community that helps them to understand their Catholic faith
- 95% of students felt encouraged and given the opportunity to actively live their faith in the school and in the community

Priority 2: High quality instruction rooted in sound research and effective assessment practices to support growth for all learners.

Despite the learning interruptions from the COVID-19 pandemic, our staff continues to recognize the importance of foundational skills and provide multiple opportunities for rigorous and relevant learning experiences.



Measure	Holy Spirit	Province
Education Quality	90.7%	89.0%
Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate	86.8%	70.2%
Student Learning Engagement	86.3%	85.1%

#### Priority 3: First Nations, Métis, and Inuit education for all.

Measure	Holy Spirit	Province
Transition Rate (6 yr)	64.7%	37.7%
Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate	54.1%	41.1%
Drop Out Rate	1.2%	4.9%



Our Graduation Coaches, First Nations, Métis and Inuit Support Workers, and other administrators and staff, continue to build strong relationships and support our First Nations, Métis and Inuit students. This work continues to yield strong long-terms results.

We continue to prioritize enhancing staff and student understanding of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit ways of knowing, being, and doing, as well as the application of foundational knowledge by faculty and staff to the benefit of all students.

# Priority 4: Foster a culture of wellness that is foundational to support learning.

Fostering a holistic approach to support students' spiritual, physical, mental, emotional, and academic health, we work closely with a variety of provincial and local partners to devise targeted initiatives that build student capacity in this area.



Measure	Holy Spirit	Province
Safe & Caring	90.8%	88.8%
Welcoming, Caring, Respectful & Safe Learning Environments	88.6%	86.1%



## **Our Mission**

We are Catholic Faith Community, dedicated to providing each student entrusted to our care with an education rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Guided by the Holy Spirit, in partnership with home, parish, and society, our schools foster the growth of responsible citizens who will live, celebrate, and proclaim their faith.

Our Catholic Faith is the foundation of all that we do.

# For More Information

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