

**DATE:** January 31, 2012  
**TO:** Board of Trustees  
**FROM:** Edgar Schmidt, Superintendent of Schools  
**SUBJECT:** Qualitative Data (Trustee Request #142)  
**ORIGINATOR:** Tanni Parker, Assistant Superintendent  
**RESOURCE**  
**STAFF:** Sandy Forster, Heather Raymond, Carol Symons, Corrie Ziegler  
**REFERENCE:** November 29, 2011 Board Meeting (Trustee Hoffman)

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**ISSUE**

The following information was requested: provide a brief report outlining some of the ways that Edmonton Public Schools shares qualitative data with Alberta Education and other stakeholders.

**BACKGROUND**

The staff of Edmonton Public Schools are part of a large network of educational and related agencies that work to support and advance education and educational issues across the province. This is accomplished through formal and informal committees and membership in organizations at both the provincial and partnership level. Through these committees, district staff are able to share information about the District and district initiatives.

**CURRENT SITUATION**

At the provincial level, staff represent the District on interagency teams with Alberta Education, Child and Family Services, Alberta Health Services and Alberta Justice. As well, staff have membership in Alberta Education's Language Education Consortia, and are representatives on advisory committees that address areas such as technology, physical education, special education, curriculum development and student information.

As well, staff from the Executive Team are present at College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS), Association of School Business Officials of Alberta (ASBOA) and represent the District's perspective on projects such as Action on Inclusion and Workforce Planning.

Additionally, committees and working groups with the City of Edmonton, University of Alberta, NAIT, Edmonton Police Service, YMCA, the United Way, Partners for Kids for example, provide opportunities for district staff to share information about the District.

Staff are able to share information about district work and initiatives while having input into decisions made by stakeholders that may have a direct or indirect impact on the District.

**KEY POINTS**

- Staff represent the District on provincial interagency teams with Alberta Education, Child and Family Services, Alberta Health Services and Alberta Justice.
- Executive Team members are present at CASS and ASBOA.
- Staff participate on committees and working groups with the City of Edmonton, University of Alberta, NAIT, Edmonton Police Service, YMCA and United Way.

**ATTACHMENTS & APPENDICES**

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