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## INFORMATION

This report provides information about student achievement results for the District based on data from the Accountability Pillar. The Accountability Pillar is a comprehensive document that focuses on three broad learning goals established by Alberta Education (Appendix I). Data is aggregated from a variety of sources (including data in Appendices II to VI) to give an overall report of district growth. Reporting district growth through the Accountability Pillar provides a consistent method of sharing achievement results across the province.

District level information highlights areas of strength and concern. Just as school level results have implications for the school, District level results cause us to revise and change district practice as well. At the district level, we disaggregate data to examine data for groups of students and for curriculum areas. Using this information, along with input from schools, we determine what districtwide practices we need to employ or improve. The District analyzes student data, such as exemptions and absences on exams, and determines what measures need to be put in place to ensure as many students as possible are given the opportunity and support to successfully demonstrate standards. The District also examines curriculum areas and, subject by subject, what district supports need to be put in place to improve student achievement.

School level results on their Accountability Pillars are best interpreted at the school level. Schools annually examine in detail their own Accountability Pillar to look for trends from year to year and to inform decision making. Schools focus on the measures included in the Pillar that are most relevant to their context, while remaining grounded in how these impact the three broad learning goals. Schools analyze results related to specific outcomes in curricular areas and this informs instructional improvement. Assistant Superintendents work with school principals to monitor progress towards the improvement of student achievement in specific areas reported in the schools accountability pillar.

At the public board meeting on October $28^{\text {th }}$, there will be an on-line extranet demonstration of the achievement data only from the Accountability Pillar. This demonstration will also assist trustees in understanding the complexity of this document, including formulas and processes that result in the ‘atings’ achieved.

A more comprehensive analysis of other data in the Accountability Pillar (such as survey results, etc.) will be reported as part of the Annual Education Results Report, which will be shared at a subsequent public board meeting.

The major generalizations with respect to the information included in this report are as follows:

## District Compared to Previous Years

- Since the province began reporting five-year high school course completion rates in 19992000, the District has seen a 10.1 per cent increase in the percentage of students who are completing high school, rising to 74.3 per cent from 64.2 per cent. (Appendix VI)
- There has been an increase in successful course completion in all Grade 10 and 11 courses from 2004-2008. (Appendix VII)
- The percentage of district students (Grades 3, 6, 9, and 12) achieving the standard of excellence continues to be high as compared to the province. However, the accountability pillar shows a slight decline at the standard of excellence over time.


## District Compared to Province (Appendix II)

- For all seven measure categories the District has the same rating as the province.
- Student Learning Achievement (Grades K-9) is flagged as an ‘Issuè for both the District and the Province on the Accountability Pillar.
- For Provincial Achievement Test (PAT) data, both the District and the province have the same measure category rating of "Issue". However, for the standard of excellence, the District has an Achievement rating of "High" while the province is rated'Intermediate". With respect to the improvement measure evaluation for the standard of excellence, the District has a rating of"Maintained’ while the province is rated as"Improved".

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## ACCOUNTABILITY PILLAR - OVERALL SUMMARY EXPLANATION

The Accountability Pillar is based on three learning goals:

- Goal 1 - High quality learning opportunities for all
- Goal 2 - Excellence in learner outcomes
- Goal 3 - Highly responsive and responsible jurisdiction (ministry)


## Goal 1 has two measure categories that are assessed with five measures:

- Three of these measures are derived from the provincial attitude survey administered to students and parents at Grades 4, 7 and 10, and all teachers.
o Percentage of teachers, parents and students who agree that students are safe at school, are learning the importance of caring for others, are learning respect for others and are treated fairly
o Percentage of teachers, parents and students satisfied with the opportunity for students to receive a broad program of studies, including fine arts, career and technology studies and health and physical education
o Percentage of teachers, parents and students satisfied with the overall quality of basic education
- Data for the remaining two measures for Goal 1 is provided by Alberta Education, and is one year older than the survey or achievement data.
o Drop out rate-annual dropout rate of students aged 14 to 18
o High school completion rate-percentages of students who completed school within three years of entering Grade 10

Goal 2 has three measure categories that are assessed with nine measures:

- Four of these measures are derived from provincial achievement tests and diploma examinations.
o Percentage of students who achieve the acceptable standard on Grades 3, 6 and 9 provincial achievement tests
o Percentage of students who achieve the standard of excellence on Grades 3, 6 and 9 provincial achievement tests
o Percentage of students who achieve the acceptable standard on diploma examinations
o Percentage of students who achieve the standard of excellence on diploma examinations
- Data for three of the measures for Goal 2 is provided by Alberta Education and is one year older than the survey or achievement data.
o Diploma exam participation rate-Percentage of students who have written four or more diploma examinations by the end of their third year in high school
o Rutherford eligibility rate-Percentage of Grade 12 students who meet the Rutherford scholarship eligibility criteria
o Transition rate-Percentage of students who have enrolled in a post secondary program within six years of entering Grade 10
- The final two measures for this goal are derived from the provincial attitude survey administered to students and/or parents at Grades 4, 7 and 10, and teachers.
o Work preparation-Percentage of teachers and parents who agree that students are taught attitudes and behaviours that will make them successful at work when they finish school
o Citizenship-Percentage of teachers, parents and students who are satisfied that students model the characteristics of active citizenship


## Goal 3 has two measure categories that are assessed with two measures:

- The two measures for this goal are derived from the provincial attitude survey administered to parents and teachers.
o Parental involvement-Percentage of teachers and parents satisfied with parental involvement in decisions about their child's education
o School improvement - Percentage of teachers and parents indicating that their school and schools in their jurisdiction have improved, or stayed the same for the past three years


## Alberta Commission on Learning (ACOL) Measures

Two additional measures are included in this summary. Data for these measures is derived from the provincial attitude survey administered to students and/or parents at Grades 4, 7 and 10, and teachers.

- Satisfaction with program access-Percentage of teachers, parents and students satisfied with the accessibility, effectiveness and efficiency of programs and services for students in their community
- In-service jurisdiction needs-Percentage of teachers reporting that in the past three to five years, the professional development and in-servicing received from the school authority has been focused, systematic, and contributed significantly to their ongoing professional growth


## Comparisons

Jurisdiction and school data for the above measures is subjected to two comparisons:

- The first (Achievement) is a comparison of current year data to a set of standards which remain constant over time. An explanation of how these standards were derived is provided on page nine.
- The second (Improvement) is a comparison of current year results with the previous threeyear average.
- Finally, the Achievement Evaluation and Improvement Evaluation are combined to come up with an Overall rating.


## ACCOUNTABILITY PILLAR OVERALL SUMMARIES DISTRICT AND PROVINCIAL RESULTS

For Appendix II, refer to information pages 6 and 7.

- With respect to the Achievement, Improvement and Overall Evaluation, the District and the province are very similar with ratings of "High', "Improved Significantly", and "Good’ for six of the Student Learning Achievement measures. One difference was in the"Improvemen"rating for Diploma Exam Acceptable Standard, where the District was rated as "Declined Significantly"while the province was rated as"Declined".

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Authority: 3020 Edmonton School District No. 7
EDUCATION

| Goal | Measure Category | Measure Category Evaluation | Measure | Edmonton School District No. 7 |  |  | Province |  |  | Measure Evaluation |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Current Result | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 yr Average | Current Result | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 Yr Average | Achievement | Improvement | Overall |
| Goal 1: High Quality Learning Opportunities for All | Safe and Caring Schools | Good | Safe and Caring | 85.9 | 84.8 | 84.9 | 85.1 | 84.2 | 83.9 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  | Student Learning Opportunities | Good | Program of Studies | 81.7 | 80.6 | 79.5 | 79.4 | 78.5 | 77.8 | Very High | Improved Significantly | Excellent |
|  |  |  | Education Quality | 90.1 | 89.5 | 89.1 | 88.2 | 87.6 | 87.1 | Very High | Improved Significantly | Excellent |
|  |  |  | Drop Cut Rate | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 5.0 | Intermediate | Maintained | Acceptable |
|  |  |  | High School <br> Completion Rate (3 yr) | 64.6 | 63.5 | 62.6 | 71.0 | 70.4 | 70.0 | Intermediate | Improved Significantly | Good |
| Goal 2: Excellence in Learner Outcomes | Student Learning Achievement (Grades $\mathrm{K}-9$ ) | Issue | PAT: Acceptable | 75.7 | 75.6 | 77.0 | 75.8 | 75.9 | 76.7 | Low | Declined Significanty | Concem |
|  |  |  | PAT: Excellence | 22.6 | 22.1 | 22.3 | 19.6 | 19.4 | 19.3 | High | Maintained | Good |
|  | Student Learning <br> Achievement (Grades <br> 10-12) | Acceptable | Diploma: Acceetable | 83.8 | 85.3 | 84.9 | 85.0 | 85.4 | 85.2 | Intermediate | Dectined Significanty | Issue |
|  |  |  | Dioloma: Excellence | 23.4 | 24.8 | 25.0 | 22.3 | 23.3 | 23.1 | High | Declined Significantly | Issue |
|  |  |  | Dieloma Exam Participation Rate (4+ Exams) | 55.4 | 55.5 | 54.3 | 53.6 | 53.7 | 53.2 | Intermediate | Improved | Good |
|  |  |  | Rutherford <br> Scholarship Eliqibility <br> Rate | 36.4 | 34.5 | 32.3 | 38.2 | 37.2 | 35.4 | High | Improved Significantly Significantly | Good |
|  | Preparation for Lifelong Learning, World of Work, Citizenship | Good | Iransition Rate (6yr) | 61.3 | 59.8 | 58.0 | 60.3 | 59.5 | 57.1 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  |  |  | Work Preparation | 81.8 | 79.6 | 79.1 | 80.1 | 77.1 | 76.4 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  |  |  | Citizenship | 80.2 | 78.7 | 78.5 | 77.9 | 76.6 | 76.2 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
| Goal 3: Highly Responsive and Responsible Jurisdiction (Ministry) | Parental Involvement | Good | Parental Involvement | 78.3 | 77.5 | 77.3 | 78.2 | 77.5 | 77.2 | Intermediate | Improved | Good |
|  | Continuous Improvement | Good | School Improvement | 78.8 | 78.8 | 78.0 | 77.0 | 76.3 | 75.7 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  | Goal | Measure Category | Measure | Edmonton School District No. 7 |  |  | Province |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Current } \\ \text { Result } \end{gathered}$ | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 yr Average | $\begin{gathered} \text { Current } \\ \text { Result } \end{gathered}$ | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 Yr Average |  |  |  |
|  | ACOL Measure | ACOL Measure | Satisfaction with | 71.2 | 69.9 | 69.1 | 69.2 | 68.2 | 68.0 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { In-service iurisdiction } \\ & \text { Needs } \end{aligned}$ | 81.6 | 79.1 | 78.1 | 80.4 | 78.8 | 77.8 |  |  |  |

Notes:

1) Student Learning Achievement: PAT Values reported are weighted averages of PAT Acceptable and PAT Excellence results. Courses included: ELA (Grades 3, 6, 9), Math (Grades 3, 6, 9), Social Studies (Grades 6,9 ), Science (Grades 6 only), French Language Arts (Grades 6, 9), Français (Grades 6, 9 )
2) Student Learning Achievement: Diploma Exam Values reported are averages of Diploma Acceptable and Diploma Excellence resuits, weighted by the number of students enrolled in each course.
3) Overall evaluations can only be calculated if both improvement and achievement evaluations are available.
4) The ACOL measures are not evaluated as they are not part of the Accountabiity Pillar and are included only to enable inclusion in the AERR and 3-Year Education Plan reports.
5) Data values have been suppressed where the number of students is less than 6 . Suppression is marked with an asterisk ( ${ }^{*}$.

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## Accountability Pillar Overall Summary

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Province: Alberta

| Goal | Measure Category | Measure Category Evaluation | Measure | Province |  |  | Measure Evaluation |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Current Result | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 yr Average | Achievement | Improvement | Overall |
| Goal 1: High Quality Learning Opportunities for All | Safe and Caring Schools | Good | Safe and Caring | 85.1 | 84.2 | 83.9 | High | Improved Significanty | Good |
|  | Student Learning Opportunities | Good | Proaram of Studies | 79.4 | 78.5 | 77.8 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  |  |  | Education Quality | 88.2 | 87.6 | 87.1 | High | Improved Significanty | cood |
|  |  |  | Drop Qut Rate | 5.0 | 4.7 | 5.0 | Intermediate | Maintained | Acceptable |
|  |  |  | High School Completion Rate ( 3 yr ) | 71.0 | 70.4 | 70.0 | Intermediate | Improved Significantly | Good |
| Goal 2: Excellence in Learner Outcomes | Student Learning <br> Achievement (Grades K-9) | Issue | PAT: Acceptable | 75.8 | 75.9 | 76.7 | Low | Declined Significanty | Concern |
|  |  |  | PAT: Excellence | 19.6 | 19.4 | 19.3 | Intermediate | Improved | Good |
|  | Student Learning Achievement (Grades 10-12) | Acceptable | Diploma: Acceptable | 85.0 | 85.4 | 85.2 | Intermediate | Decined | Issue |
|  |  |  | Diploma: Excellence | 22.3 | 23.3 | 23.1 | High | Declined Significantly | Issue |
|  |  |  | Diploma Exam Participation Rate (4+Exams) | 53.6 | 53.7 | 53.2 | Intermediate | Improved | Good |
|  |  |  | Rutherford Scholarship Eliqibility Rate | 38.2 | 37.2 | 35.4 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  | Preparation for Lifelong Learning, World of Work, Citizenship | Good | Transition Rate (6 yr) | 60.3 | 59.5 | 57.1 | High | Improved Significanty | Good |
|  |  |  | Werk Preparation | 80.1 | 77.1 | 76.4 | High | Improved Significanty | Good |
|  |  |  | Citizenship | 77.9 | 76.6 | 76.2 | High | Improved Significanty | Good |
| Goal 3: Highly Responsive and Responsible Jurisdiction (Ministry) | Parental Involvement | Good | Parental lavolvement | 78.2 | 77.5 | 77.2 | Intermediate | Improved Significenty | Good |
|  | Continuous Improvement | Good | School Improvement | 77.0 | 76.3 | 75.7 | High | Improved Significanty | cood |
|  | Goal | Measure Category | Measure | Province |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Current Result | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 yr Average |  |  |  |
|  | ACOL Measure | ACOL Measure | Satisfaction with Program Access | 69.2 | 68.2 | 68.0 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | In-service jurisdiction Needs | 80.4 | 78.8 | 77.8 |  |  |  |

Notes:

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## ACCOUNTABILITY PILLAR - DATA REFERENCES (DISTRICT RESULTS)

For Appendix III, refer to information pages 9 to 11.

- The Districts PAT acceptable standard has received a"Low" rating for achievement and has a rating of"Declined Significantly" when compared to the previous three year average. There are 75.7 per cent of students achieving the acceptable standard. This is rated "Low" because the 'Low" category ranges from greater than or equal to 64.03 to less than 75.85 . The District missed the"Intermediate" achievement category rating by 0.15 per cent.
- The District's PAT acceptable standard is identified as "Concern" in the overall measure evaluation even though the percentage of students in Edmonton Public Schools meeting the PAT acceptable standard has increased slightly from the previous year, from 75.6 per cent to 75.7 per cent. However, it was lower than the previous 3 -year average.
- The overall measure evaluation for both Diploma Acceptable and Diploma Excellence is identified as'Issue’ even though high numbers of students are meeting standards.
$>$ The percentage of District students at the acceptable standard for diploma examinations (83.8) is down 1.1 per cent from the 3-year average of 84.9 per cent.
$>$ The percentage of District students at the standard of excellence for diploma examinations (23.4) is down 1.6 per cent from the 3 -year average of 25.0 per cent.

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| Goal | Measure Category | Measure Category Evaluation | Measure | Edmonton School District No. 7 |  |  | Province |  |  | Measure Evaluation |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Current Result | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 yr Average | Current Result | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 Yr Average | Achievement | Improvement | Overall |
| Goal 1: High Quality Learning Opportunities for All | Safe and Caring Schools | Good | Safe and Caring | 85.9 | 84.8 | 84.9 | 85.1 | 84.2 | 83.9 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  | Student Learning Opportunities | Good | Program of Studies | 81.7 | 80.6 | 79.5 | 79.4 | 78.5 | 77.8 | Very High | Improved Significantly | Excellent |
|  |  |  | Education Quality | 90.1 | 89.5 | 89.1 | 88.2 | 87.6 | 87.1 | Very High | Improved Significantly | Excellent |
|  |  |  | Drep Out Rate | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.4 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 5.0 | Intermediate | Maintained | Acceptable |
|  |  |  | High School <br> Completion Rate ( 3 yr ) | 64.6 | 63.5 | 62.6 | 71.0 | 70.4 | 70.0 | Intermediate | Improved Significantly | Good |
| Goal 2: Excellence in Learner Outcomes | Student Learning Achievement (Grades K-9) | Issue | PAT: Acceptable | 75.7 | 75.6 | 77.0 | 75.8 | 75.9 | 76.7 | Low | Declined Significantly | Concem |
|  |  |  | PAT: Excellence | 22.6 | 22.1 | 22.3 | 19.6 | 19.4 | 19.3 | High | Maintained | Good |
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|  |  |  | Diploma Exam <br> Participation Rate (4+ <br> Exams) | 55.4 | 55.5 | 54.3 | 53.6 | 53.7 | 53.2 | Intermediate | Improved | Good |
|  |  |  | Rutherford <br> Scholarship Eliqibility <br> Rate | 36.4 | 34.5 | 32.3 | 38.2 | 37.2 | 35.4 | High | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Improved } \\ & \text { Significantly } \end{aligned}$ | Good |
|  | Preparation for Lifelong Learning, World of Work, Citizenship | Good | Iransition Rate (6 yr) | 61.3 | 59.8 | 58.0 | 60.3 | 59.5 | 57.1 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  |  |  | Work Preparation | 81.8 | 79.6 | 79.1 | 80.1 | 77.1 | 76.4 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
|  |  |  | Citizenship | 80.2 | 78.7 | 78.5 | 77.9 | 76.6 | 76.2 | High | Improved Significantly | Good |
| Goal 3: Highly Responsive and Responsible Jurisdiction (Ministry) | Parental Involvement | Good | Parental Involvement | 78.3 | 77.5 | 77.3 | 78.2 | 77.5 | 77.2 | Intermediate | Improved | Good |
|  | Continuous Improvement | Good | School Improvement | 78.8 | 78.8 | 78.0 | 77.0 | 76.3 | 75.7 | High | Improved Significanty | Good |
|  | Goal | Measure Category | Measure | Edmonton School District No. 7 |  |  | Province |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Current Result | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 yr Average | Current Result | Prev Year Result | Prev 3 Yr Average |  |  |  |
|  | ACOL Measure | ACOL Measure | Satisfaction with Program Access | 71.2 | 69.9 | 69.1 | 69.2 | 68.2 | 68.0 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\frac{\text { In-service iurisdiction }}{\text { Needs }}$ | 81.6 | 79.1 | 78.1 | 80.4 | 78.8 | 77.8 |  |  |  |

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2) Student Learning Achievement: Diploma Exam Values reported are averages of Diploma Acceptable and Diploma Excellence resuits, weighted by the number of students enrolled in each course.
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## Achievement Evaluation

Achievement evaluation is based upon a comparison of Current Year data to a set of standards which remain consistent over time. The Standards are calculated by taking the 3 year average of baseline data for each measure across all school jurisdictions and calculating the 5th, 25th, 75 th and 95 th percentiles. Once calculated, these standards remain in place from year to year to allow for consistent planning and evaluation.
The table below shows the range of values defining the 5 achievement evaluation levels for each measure

| Measure | Very Low | Low | Intermediate | High | Very High |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Safe and Caring | 0.00-77.62 | 77.62-81.05 | 81.05-84.50 | 84.50-88.03 | 88.03-100.00 |
| Program of Studies | 0.00-66.31 | 66.31-72.65 | 72.65-78.43 | 78.43-81.59 | 81.59-100.00 |
| Education Quality | 0.00-80.94 | 80.94-84.23 | 84.23-87.23 | 87.23-89.60 | 89.60-100.00 |
| Drop Out Rate | 100.00-9.40 | $9.40-6.90$ | 6.90-4.27 | 4.27-2.79 | 2.79-0.00 |
| High School Completion Rate (3 yr) | 0.00-56.75 | 56.75-62.66 | 62.66-73.87 | 73.87-81.47 | 81.47-100.00 |
| PAT: Acceptable | 0.00-64.03 | 64.03-75.85 | 75.85-83.54 | 83.54-87.39 | 87.39-100.00 |
| PAT: Excellence | 0.00-10.76 | 10.76-14.27 | 14.27-20.37 | 20.37-25.05 | 25.05-100.00 |
| Diploma: Acceptable | 0.00-71.88 | 71.88-82.15 | 82.15-87.66 | 87.66-90.28 | 90.28-100.00 |
| Diploma: Excellence | 0.00-7.37 | 7.37-15.75 | 15.75-21.31 | 21.31-24.53 | 24.53-100.00 |
| Diploma Exam Participation Rate (4+ Exams) | 0.00-31.10 | 31.10-44.11 | 44.11-55.78 | 55.78-65.99 | 65.99-100.00 |
| Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate | 0.00-20.69 | 20.69-26.29 | 26.29-33.96 | 33.96-46.47 | 46.47-100.00 |
| Transition Rate (6 yr) | 0.00-41.60 | 41.60-47.36 | 47.36-57.37 | 57.37-63.73 | 63.73-100.00 |
| Work Preparation | 0.00-66.92 | 66.92-72.78 | 72.78-77.78 | 77.78-86.13 | 86.13-100.00 |
| Citizenship | 0.00-66.30 | 66.30-71.63 | 71.63-77.50 | 77.50-81.08 | 81.08-100.00 |
| Parental Involvement | 0.00-70.76 | 70.76-74.58 | 74.58-78.50 | 78.50-82.30 | 82.30-100.00 |
| School Improvement | 0.00-65.25 | 65.25-70.85 | 70.85-76.28 | 76.28-80.41 | 80.41-100.00 |

Notes:

1) For all measures except Drop Out Rate: The range of values at each evaluation level is interpreted as "greater than or equal to" the "Low" value, and "less than" the "High" value. For the Very High category, values range from greater than the "Low" value to $100 \%$.
2) Drop Out Rate measure: As "Drop-out Rate" is inverse to most measures (i.e. Lower values are "better"), the range of values at each evaluation level is interpreted as "greater than" the "Low" value and "less than or equal to" the "High" value. For the Very High category, values range from $0 \%$ to less than or equal to the " High " value.

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## Measure Evaluation Reference

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Improvement Table
For each jurisdiction, improvement evaluation consists of comparing the Current Year result for each measure with the previous three-year average. A chi-square statistical test is used to determine the significance of the improvement. This test takes into account the size of the jurisdiction in the calculation to make improvement evaluation fair across jurisdictions of different sizes

The table below shows the definition of the 5 improvement evaluation levels based upon the chi-square result.

| Evaluation Category | Chi-Square Range |
| :--- | :--- |
| Declined Significantly | $3.84+$ (current < previous 3-year average) |
| Declined | $1.00-3.83$ (current < previous 3-year average) |
| Maintained | less than 1.00 |
| Improved | $1.00-3.83$ (current > previous 3-year average) |
| Improved Significantly | $3.84+$ (current > previous 3-year average) |

## Overall Evaluation Table

The overall evaluation combines the Achievement Evaluation and the Improvement Evaluation. The table below illustrates how the Achievement and Improvement evaluations are combined to get the overall evaluation

|  | Achievement |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Improvement | Very High | High | Intermediate | Low | Very Low |
| Improved Significantly | Excellent | Good | Good | Good | Acceptable |
| Improved | Excellent | Good | Good | Acceptable | Issue |
| Maintained | Excellent | Good | Acceptable | Issue | Issue |
| Declined | Good | Acceptable | Issue | Issue | Concern |
| Declined Significantly | Acceptable | Issue | Issue | Concern | Concern |

## Category Evaluation

The category evaluation is an average of the Overall Evaluation of the measures that make up the category. For the purpose of the calculation, consider an Overall Evaluation of Excellent to be 2, Good to be 1 , Acceptable to be 0 , Issue to be -1 , and Concern to be -2 . The simple average (mean) of these values rounded to the nearest integer produces the Category Evaluation value. This is converted back to a colour using the same scale above (e.g. $2=$ Excellent, $1=$ Good, $0=$ Intermediate, $-1=\mathrm{Issue},-2=$ Concern).

## STUDENT LEARNING ACHIEVEMENT (GRADES K-9)

For Appendix IV, refer to information pages 13 to 15.

- There were four courses rated as "Concern" for the overall acceptable standard: English Language Arts 3 and 9, Mathematics 3 and Science 6. These courses would account for, to a great extent, the overall rating of"Issue"for District PATs.
- When looking at the Achievement Measure ratings for these four courses, most of the percentages at the acceptable standard are in the middle to high end of the "Low" achievement range.
- In English Language Arts 9, 75.5 per cent of the students achieved the acceptable standard and this was deemed "Low". The interval for the "Low" category for this course, is greater than or equal to 63.55 and less than 75.66 per cent. The measure missed being ranked"Intermediate" by 0.16 per cent, representing approximately 10 students.
- Results are rated "Low" in Grade 6 Mathematics and Science for the acceptable standard, however, the percentage of students meeting the standard is higher than the province.
- All Grade 9 PAT results are rated "High" or"Very Higl'" at the standard of excellence with the exception of French Language Arts 9.


## PAT Results Course By Course Summary By Enrolled With Measure Evaluation

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## Student Learning Achievement (Grades K-9)

EDUCATION

## Measure Evaluation Reference - Achievement Evaluation

## Authority: 3020 Edmonton School District No. 7

Achievement evaluation is based upon a comparison of Current Year data to a set of standards which remain consistent over time. The Standards are calculated by taking the 3 year average of baseline data for each measure across all school jurisdictions and calculating the 5th, 25th, 75 th, and 95 th percentiles. Once calculated, these standards remain in place from year to year to allow for consistent planning and evaluation

The table below shows the range of values defining the 5 achievement evaluation levels for each measure.

| Course | Measure | Very Low | Low | Intermediate | High | Very High |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| English Language Arts 3 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-72.53 | 72.53-80.49 | 80.49-89.12 | 89.12-93.04 | 93.04-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-6.06 | 6.06-11.35 | 11.35-16.93 | 16.93-20.27 | 20.27-100.00 |
| Mathematics 3 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-73.66 | 73.66-81.42 | 81.42-88.39 | 88.39-91.92 | 91.92-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-17.25 | 17.25-22.97 | 22.97-30.79 | 30.79-36.99 | 36.99-100.00 |
| English Language Arts 6 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-67.95 | 67.95-78.40 | 78.40-86.09 | 86.09-91.37 | 91.37-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-6.83 | 6.83-11.65 | 11.65-17.36 | 17.36-22.46 | 22.46-100.00 |
| French Language Arts 6 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-41.69 | 41.69-73.54 | 73.54-92.32 | 92.32-97.93 | 97.93-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-2.72 | $2.72-8.13$ | 8.13-15.29 | 15.29-23.86 | 23.86-100.00 |
| Mathematics 6 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-65.88 | 65.88-75.70 | 75.70-84.77 | 84.77-90.26 | 90.26-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-8.68 | 8.68-13.49 | 13.49-19.62 | 19.62-25.59 | 25.59-100.00 |
| Science 6 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-60.36 | 60.36-78.51 | 78.51-86.46 | 86.46-90.64 | 90.64-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-11.74 | 11.74-17.42 | 17.42-25.34 | 25.34-34.31 | 34.31-100.00 |
| Social Studies 6 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-59.22 | 59.22-77.09 | 77.09-85.44 | 85.44-89.15 | 89.15-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-7.81 | 7.81-14.67 | 14.67-20.59 | 20.59-28.12 | 28.12-100.00 |
| English Language Arts 9 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-63.55 | 63.55-75.66 | 75.66-83.70 | 83.70-90.27 | 90.27-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-5.96 | $5.96-9.43$ | 9.43-14.72 | 14.72-20.46 | 20.46-100.00 |
| French Language Arts 9 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-67.59 | 67.59-81.33 | 81.33-92.06 | 92.06-97.26 | 97.26-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-1.67 | $1.67-6.81$ | 6.81-17.11 | 17.11-28.68 | 28.68-100.00 |
| Mathematics 9 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-50.90 | 50.90-59.61 | 59.61-69.06 | 69.06-83.15 | 83.15-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-8.46 | 8.46-11.96 | 11.96-18.90 | 18.90-23.96 | 23.96-100.00 |
| Science 9 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-55.16 | 55.16-64.99 | 64.99-75.89 | 75.89-80.43 | 80.43-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-6.10 | $6.10-7.54$ | 7.54-12.59 | 12.59-16.19 | 16.19-100.00 |
| Social Studies 9 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-57.88 | 57.88-68.58 | 68.58-79.36 | 79.36-87.82 | 87.82-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-9.39 | 9.39-13.53 | 13.53-19.67 | 19.67-24.12 | 24.12-100.00 |

Notes:
The range of values at each evaluation level is interpreted as "greater than or equal to" the "Low" value, and "less than" the "High" value. For the Very High category values range from "greater than" the "Low" value to $100 \%$

Too few jurisdictions offer Français (Grades 6,9) for an Achievement Evaluation to be calculated. However, the results from Français (Grades 6,9 ) are included in the aggregation of all PAT courses.

## Students Learning Achievement (Grades K-9)

## Measure Evaluation Reference - Improvement and Overall Evaluation Table

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## Improvement Table


#### Abstract

For each jurisdiction, improvement evaluation consists of comparing the Current Year result for each measure with the previous three-year average. A chi-square statiscal test is used to determine the significance of the improvement. This test takes into account the size of the jurisdiction in the calculation to make improvement evaluation fair across jurisdictions of different sizes.

The table below shows the definition of the 5 improvement evaluation levels based upon the chi-square result.


| Evaluation Category | Chi-Square Range |
| :--- | :--- |
| Declined Significantly | $3.84+$ (current < previous 3-year average) |
| Declined | $1.00-3.83$ (current < previous 3-year average) |
| Maintained | less than 1.00 |
| Improved | $1.00-3.83$ (current > previous 3-year average) |
| Improved Significantly | $3.84+$ (current > previous 3-year average) |

## Overall Evaluation Table

The overall evaluation combines the Achievement Evaluation and the Improvement Evaluation. The table below illustrates how the Achievement and Improvement valuations are combined to get the overall evaluation.

|  | Achievement |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Very High | High |  |  |  |  | Intermediate | Low | Very Low |
| Improved Significantly | Excellent | Good | Good | Good | Acceptable |  |  |  |  |
| Improved | Excellent | Good | Good | Acceptable | Issue |  |  |  |  |
| Maintained | Excellent | Good | Acceptable | Issue | Issue |  |  |  |  |
| Declined | Good | Acceptable | Issue | Issue | Concern |  |  |  |  |
| Declined Significantly | Acceptable | Issue | Issue | Concern | Concern |  |  |  |  |

## APPENDIX V

## STUDENT LEARNING ACHIEVEMENT (GRADES 10-12)

For Appendix V, refer to information pages 17 to 19.

- The achievement at the acceptable standard was rated"Intermediate’ for most diploma examination courses with the exception of the rating of "Low" for English Language Arts 30-1, "Very Low" for Applied Mathematics 30 and"High" for Chemistry 30.
- Overall results at the acceptable standard are rated "Concern" in English Language Arts 30-1 and Applied Mathematics 30. The percentage of students achieving the acceptable standard for English Language Arts 30-1 (85.3) has declined 1.7 per cent from the previous three year average (87.0). The percentage of students achieving the acceptable standard for Applied Mathematics 30 (72.0) has declined 4.6 per cent from the previous three year average (76.6).
- With the exception of Applied Mathematics 30, the achievement at the standard of excellence ranged from ratings of "Intermediate" to "Very High". For Applied Mathematics 30, the percentage of students achieving the standard of excellence is rated as a "Concerri", declining to 8.2 per cent from the previous three year average of 13.8 percent ( -5.6 ).

Diploma Exam Results Course By Course Summary With Measure Evaluation

Authority: 3020 Edmonton School District No. 7

|  |  | Edmonton School District No. 7 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Province |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Achievement | Improvement | Overall | 2008 |  | Prev 3 Yr Avg |  | 2008 |  | Prev 3 Yr Avg |  |
| Course | Measure |  |  |  | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% | N | \% |
| English Lang Arts 30-1 | Acceptable Standard | Low | Declined Significantly | Concern | 4,245 | 85.3 | 4,267 | 87.0 | 28,024 | 87.1 | 27,854 | 88.3 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | Intermediate | Declined Significantly | Issue | 4,245 | 16.0 | 4,267 | 19.9 | 28,024 | 15.5 | 27,854 | 18.7 |
| English Lang Arts 30-2 | Acceptable Standard | Intermediate | Improved | Good | 1,875 | 86.7 | 1,848 | 85.0 | 13,241 | 88.9 | 12,609 | 88.1 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | High | Maintained | Good | 1,875 | 8.7 | 1,848 | 9.1 | 13,241 | 8.8 | 12,609 | 9.3 |
| French Lang Arts 30 | Acceptable Standard | Intermediate | Maintained | Acceptable | 62 | 96.8 | 56 | 97.5 | 1,218 | 94.9 | 1,163 | 95.3 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | High | Declined | Acceptable | 62 | 21.0 | 56 | 32.1 | 1,218 | 24.5 | 1,163 | 21.3 |
| Francais 30 | Acceptable Standard | n/a | n/a | raa | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 130 | 98.5 | 106 | 95.7 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | n/a | n/a | na | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 130 | 25.4 | 106 | 23.0 |
| Pure Mathematics 30 | Acceptable Standard | Intermediate | Decined Significantly | Issue | 3,886 | 80.4 | 3,687 | 83.0 | 22,529 | 81.3 | 22,284 | 81.5 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | Intermediate | Declined | Issue | 3,886 | 27.3 | 3,687 | 28.6 | 22,529 | 25.8 | 22,284 | 25.6 |
| Applied Mathematics 30 | Acceptable Standard | Very Low | Declined Significantly | Concern | 1,406 | 72.0 | 1,528 | 76.6 | 10,045 | 76.3 | 10,004 | 80.9 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | Low | Declined Significantly | Concern | 1,406 | 8.2 | 1,528 | 13.8 | 10,045 | 10.7 | 10,004 | 15.2 |
| Social Studies 30 | Acceptable Standard | Intermediate | Declined Significantly | Issue | 3,434 | 84.2 | 3,631 | 86.5 | 23,287 | 84.7 | 23,840 | 85.6 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | High | Declined Significantly | Issue | 3,434 | 23.7 | 3,631 | 27.1 | 23,287 | 21.5 | 23,840 | 24.3 |
| Social Studies 33 | Acceptable Standard | Intermediate | Maintained | Acceptable | 2,018 | 83.4 | 1,959 | 83.0 | 15,365 | 85.3 | 14,815 | 84.4 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | High | Maintained | Good | 2,018 | 17.3 | 1,959 | 17.5 | 15,365 | 18.9 | 14,815 | 18.7 |
| Biology 30 | Acceptable Standard | Intermediate | Maintained | Acceptable | 3,370 | 83.5 | 3,536 | 83.3 | 20,683 | 82.3 | 20,786 | 82.3 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | High | Declined | Acceptable | 3,370 | 28.1 | 3,536 | 29.5 | 20,683 | 26.3 | 20,786 | 26.8 |
| Chemistry 30 | Acceptable Standard | High | Maintained | Good | 2,977 | 88.1 | 3,123 | 88.9 | 17,838 | 89.2 | 17,625 | 88.6 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | Very High | Improved | Excellent | 2,977 | 39.4 | 3,123 | 37.4 | 17,838 | 39.2 | 17,625 | 36.1 |
| Physics 30 | Acceptable Standard | Intermediate | Declined | Issue | 2,006 | 84.7 | 1,988 | 85.8 | 10,509 | 85.7 | 10,881 | 84.9 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | Intermediate | Maintained | Acceptable | 2,006 | 30.5 | 1,988 | 30.5 | 10,509 | 32.0 | 10,881 | 29.0 |
| Science 30 | Acceptable Standard | Intermediate | Improved Significantly | Good | 911 | 87.7 | 807 | 84.4 | 3,932 | 88.6 | 3,566 | 86.0 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | Intermediate | Improved | Good | 911 | 21.6 | 807 | 18.7 | 3,932 | 21.6 | 3,566 | 19.1 |

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Too few jurisdictions offer Français 30 for an Achievement Evaluation to be calculated. However, the results from Français 30 are included in the aggregation of all Diploma courses.

## Measure Evaluation Reference - Achievement Evaluation

## Authority: 3020 Edmonton School District No. 7

> Achievement evaluation is based upon a comparison of Current Year data to a set of standards which remain consistent over time. The Standards are calculated by taking the 3 year average of baseline data for each measure across all school jurisdictions and calculating the 5 th, 25 th, 75 th, and 95 th percentiles. Once calculated, these standards remain in place from year to year to allow for consistent planning and evaluation.

The table below shows the range of values defining the 5 achievement evaluation levels for each measure

| Course | Measure | Very Low | Low | Intermediate | High | Very High |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| English Lang Arts 30-1 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-83.76 | 83.76-92.02 | 92.02-95.13 | 95.13-100.00 | 100.00-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-6.22 | 6.22-13.46 | 13.46-20.88 | 20.88-27.39 | 27.39-100.00 |
| English Lang Arts 30-2 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-70.83 | 70.83-82.43 | $82.43-90.72$ | 90.72-96.00 | 96.00-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-0.00 | 0.00-3.13 | 3.13-8.65 | 8.65-11.61 | 11.61-100.00 |
| French Lang Arts 30 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-77.27 | $77.27-93.33$ | 93.33-100.00 | 100.00-100.00 | 100.00-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-0.00 | $0.00-5.49$ | 5.49-19.84 | 19.84-28.00 | 28.00-100.00 |
| Pure Mathematics 30 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-54.07 | 54.07-76.74 | 76.74-86.06 | 86.06-92.18 | 92.18-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-6.15 | 6.15-18.46 | 18.46-29.38 | 29.38-34.62 | 34.62-100.00 |
| Applied Mathematics 30 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-73.06 | 73.06-80.94 | 80.94-90.03 | 90.03-91.69 | 91.69-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-4.57 | 4.57-10.29 | 10.29-16.08 | 16.08-23.77 | 23.77-100.00 |
| Social Studies 30 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-71.92 | $71.92-80.36$ | 80.36-88.99 | 88.99-94.04 | 94.04-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-7.99 | 7.99-15.22 | 15.22-23.07 | 23.07-29.75 | 29.75-100.00 |
| Social Studies 33 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-68.88 | 68.88-78.33 | 78.33-85.20 | 85.20-89.99 | 89.99-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-4.72 | $4.72-8.85$ | 8.85-16.10 | 16.10-20.46 | 20.46-100.00 |
| Biology 30 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-67.51 | 67.51-78.03 | 78.03-85.82 | 85.82-89.41 | 89.41-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-12.33 | 12.33-19.00 | 19.00-25.60 | 25.60-30.05 | 30.05-100.00 |
| Chemistry 30 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-68.78 | $68.78-80.00$ | $80.00-87.31$ | 87.31-92.42 | 92.42-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-11.21 | 11.21-17.73 | 17.73-25.71 | 25.71-34.24 | 34.24-100.00 |
| Physics 30 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-61.09 | 61.09-78.70 | 78.70-88.79 | 88.79-91.84 | 91.84-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-7.64 | 7.64-20.50 | 20.50-30.74 | 30.74-42.50 | 42.50-100.00 |
| Science 30 | Acceptable Standard | 0.00-76.11 | 76.11-83.33 | 83.33-91.76 | 91.76-97.14 | 97.14-100.00 |
|  | Standard of Excellence | 0.00-6.98 | 6.98-11.36 | 11.36-21.80 | 21.80-36.81 | 36.81-100.00 |

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## Measure Evaluation Reference - Improvement and Overall Evaluation Table

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## Improvement Table

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| Declined | $1.00-3.83$ (current < previous 3-year average) |
| Maintained | less than 1.00 |
| Improved | $1.00-3.83$ (current > previous 3-year average) |
| Improved Significantly | $3.84+$ (current > previous 3-year average) |

## Overall Evaluation Table

The overall evaluation combines the Achievement Evaluation and the Improvement Evaluation. The table below illustrates how the Achievement and Improvement evaluations are combined to get the overall evaluation.

|  | Achievement |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Very High | High |  |  |  |
| Intermediate | Low | Very Low |  |  |  |
| Improved Significantly | Excellent | Good | Good | Good | Acceptable |
| Improved | Excellent | Good | Good | Acceptable | Issue |
| Maintained | Excellent | Good | Acceptable | Issue | Issue |
| Declined | Good | Acceptable | Issue | Issue | Concern |
| Declined Significantly | Acceptable | Issue | Issue | Concern | Concern |

## HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION RATES AFTER FIVE YEARS: DISTRICT AND PROVINCE

- There is a 10.1 per cent increase in the District five year high school completion rate from 19992000 to 2006-2007.
- The accountability pillar overall summary indicates there has been a"Significant Improvement" in Edmonton Public Schools' three year completion rate. (see page 6, Appendix II)



## COMPARISON OF SUCCESSFUL COURSE COMPLETIONS FROM 2004 TO 2008

| Course | \% Successful Completions |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | Difference <br> $\mathbf{2 0 0 4}-\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ |
| Gr.10 English | 78.5 | 81.6 | 80.5 | 81.1 | 81.2 | 2.7 |
| Gr. 11 English | 84.0 | 85.9 | 84.7 | 84.0 | 86.5 | 2.5 |
| Gr. 12 English | 79.0 | 78.5 | 75.6 | 76.0 | 77.9 | -1.1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gr. 10 Math | 72.4 | 74.9 | 75.0 | 74.4 | 76.3 | 3.9 |
| Gr. 11 Math | 79.5 | 80.8 | 79.8 | 79.3 | 82.0 | 2.5 |
| Gr. 12 Math | 73.7 | 75.3 | 73.4 | 73.6 | 73.4 | -0.3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gr. 10 Science | 76.1 | 77.8 | 79.5 | 78.2 | 81.2 | 5.1 |
| Gr. 11 Science | 80.5 | 82.9 | 83.2 | 82.7 | 83.9 | 3.4 |
| Gr. 12 Science | 74.2 | 76.9 | 78.2 | 78.5 | 79.0 | 4.8 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gr. 10 Social Studies | 81.9 | 83.1 | 82.1 | 83.7 | 85.4 | 3.5 |
| Gr. 11 Social Studies | 83.0 | 85.3 | 85.8 | 85.4 | 86.2 | 3.2 |
| Gr. 12 Social Studies | 78.2 | 79.1 | 77.9 | 79.9 | 79.3 | 1.1 |

Note: Successful completion represents the percentage of students initially enrolled in core courses who completed the course and achieved credits.

A course grouping includes all the core courses in a specific subject area at a specific grade level, e.g. Grade 10 English includes English 10-1, English 10-2 and English 10-4.

## GENERALIZATIONS

- There was a higher percentage of students completing courses in 2008 as compared to 2004 in all Grade 10 and 11 course groups.
- There was a higher percentage of students completing Grade 12 Science and Grade 12 Social Studies courses in 2008 as compared to 2004.
- There was a slight decline in the percentage of students completing Grade 12 English and Grade 12 Mathematics courses in 2008 as compared to 2004.


## INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT RESULTS

This appendix provides information related to the International Baccalaureate (IB) examination results. Table 1 provides a detailed analysis of the 2008 data.

This appendix also provides information related to the Advanced Placement (AP) examination results. Table 2 provides a detailed analysis of the 2008 data.

## Detailed Results -IB program

Table 1 provides a comparison of district results to world results from the May 2008 IB test administration for courses in which a minimum of fifty students wrote the examination. Information on the total number of students in the world writing each examination is not available.

TABLE 1
COMPARISON OF DISTRICT INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE RESULTS TO WORLD RESULTS: 2008

| Subject | Average Score (out of 7) <br> Wistrict |  | Number of <br> District Students <br> Writing |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| English (HL) | 5.15 | 4.76 | 291 |
| History (HL) | 4.95 | 5.00 | 293 |
| Biology (HL) | 4.65 | 4.14 | 323 |
| Math Methods (SL) | 4.76 | 4.53 | 313 |
| Chemistry (SL) | 4.92 | 4.03 | 294 |
| Physics (SL) | 5.48 | 4.13 | 120 |
| French B (SL) | 5.14 | 4.78 | 133 |

HL - Higher Level SL - Standard Level

## Results summary

The following highlights have been identified:

- In 2008, the district averages were higher than the world averages for all of the IB examinations with the exception of History (HL).
- The number of District students writing IB examinations varies from a low of one to a high of 323 .


## Detailed Results - AP Program

Table 2 provides district and world averages for the seven AP courses in which at least fifty district students participated.

TABLE 2
COMPARISON OF DISTRICT ADVANCED PLACEMENT RESULTS TO WORLD RESULTS: MAY 2008

| Subject | Average Score <br> (out of 5) <br> World |  | Number of <br> District Students <br> Writing |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Biology | 3.82 | 2.68 | 77 |
| Calculus AB | 3.65 | 3.03 | 132 |
| Chemistry | 2.52 | 2.80 | 71 |
| English Lang \& Composition | 2.99 | 2.80 | 209 |
| English Lit \& Composition | 3.16 | 2.64 | 186 |
| European History | 2.66 | 2.70 | 162 |
| Physics B | 3.28 | 2.88 | 120 |

## Results Summary

- In 2008, the average score for students in the district was higher than the world average for five of seven courses, the exceptions being Chemistry and European History.
- The number of District students writing Advanced Placement examinations varies from a low of one to a high of 209.

