École River Heights School

Community Report 2019-2020

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Our Purpose

École River Heights
School is a middle
school in the Winnipeg
School Division. We
provide a learning
environment that fosters
the growth of each
student's potential and
provides equitable
opportunity to develop
the knowledge, skills,
and values necessary for
meaningful participation
in a global and diverse
society.

Our Vision

Our vision is for current and future people learning and working at Ecole River Heights School to be: Engaged, Confident, Inspired, and Successful Learners.

School Profile: Number of Students: 437 Number of Teachers: 29 Grade Levels: 7&8 Programs: English, French Immersion, & Late Immersion





About our school

École River Heights School is a Grade 7&8 Middle School that features both English and French immersion tracks, with Late French Immersion as an option. The school is currently in its candidacy phase to become an International Baccalaureate Middle Years School. The size of the school allows it to offer a robust arts and athletics opportunities. The school offers visual arts, dance, drama, and band. The school's is committed to developing a growth mindset and a strong value for social justice. The school is proud of its strong, stable, experienced teaching staff, who are always willing to do what is best for our students.



Highlights

Program

- Thinking Classroom
- Science Fair
- Service Projects
- Truth & Reconciliation Focus
- Sports
- Festivals
 - o Drama
 - o Band
- Weekly newsletter (Hawk-Eye View)
- Successful Pivot to Online Learning during Pandemic
- Google Classroom
- Virtual Classes
- Loaning of Devices to those without
- Online Report Cards
- Virtual Survivor Highlight of Online Physical Education Class
- Permission Click for
- Theatre Lights Upgrade
- Activism
 - o Climate Change
 - Social Justice Issues
 - o Truth & Reconciliation







Priorities for 2019-2020

Literacy - Students will develop a greater depth of understanding related to the strategies and processes in reading and writing

Success will be measured in growth on the report card and divisional and provincial assessments in reading and writing.

Numeracy - Students will develop a greater depth of understanding related to the strategies and processes in numeracy

Success will be measured in growth on the report card and divisional and provincial assessment in numeracy

Student Well-Being – Students will reporting feeling safe at school; having an adult that they can seek out for advice; and strategies to deal with anxiety and depression

International
Baccalaureate, Middle
Years Program – The
school will complete
the candidacy phase,
achieving
accreditation.



Priorities for 2020-2021

We are in the second year of our plan. We continue to focus on greater success in literacy, numeracy, student well-being, and completing certification as an IB MYP school.





Parent and community involvement

Parent Advisory Council

Our Parent Advisory Council is a valued and vital part of our school team. Meetings are held once per month at the school, providing an opportunity for sharing information, planning and celebrating accomplishments. This year, our Parent Advisory Council raised funds through Fun Lunches. Their financial support helped to bring in a speaker for student mental health during the pandemic closure. They even conducted their AGM with a virtual meeting tool and had a record turn-out.

Their dedication and support for the school was sincerely appreciated. The River Heights parent community can always be counted on to support all school events and activities including driving students to extracurricular sports, cheering on our teams, attending Parent Teacher Conferences, and participating in the annual Walkathon. Their willingness to volunteer in many ways is greatly appreciated by staff and students alike.



