

Carpathia School

Community Report

2020-2021

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Our Purpose

Winnipeg School Division provides 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

Is for current and future people learning and working within Winnipeg School Division to be:
Engaged, Confident, Inspired, and Successful Learners.

Together, we're better!



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About our school

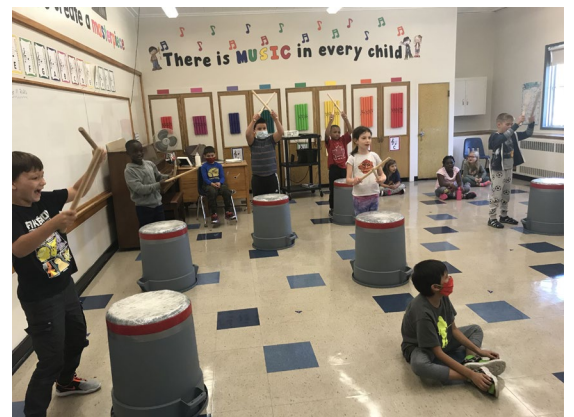
Carpathia School is located one block North of Corydon and one block East of Kenaston in Winnipeg School Division. We have approximately 175 students.

We have one Principal, one Special Education Resource Teacher, a half time Special Education Resource Teacher, a half time Reading Recovery Teacher, a half time Literacy/Numeracy Support teacher, a Guidance Counsellor, a full time Physical Education Teacher, a half time Music Teacher, a full time Guidance Counsellor, a Nursery/Kindergarten Program and eight Classroom Teachers in Grades 1-6. We have a full time Secretary, 10 Educational Assistants and three custodial positions. We also have staff through Clinical Support Services; a Psychologist, Social Worker, Speech & Language Therapist and Reading Clinician.

Our Parent Council runs a Lunch Program and a daycare (Down to Earth), is located inside the building. The Winnipeg School Division South Area Clinical Support Services offices are also located inside Carpathia School.

Highlights

- Basic French in Grades 4-6
- Parent Council Lunch Program
- Student Enrichment and Leadership Programs such as Gym Leadership, Student Patrols, Reading buddies, Can-U and MYRCA book club (some items offered virtually due to Covid)
- Grade 1 Reading Recovery Intervention
- Lunchtime intramurals in various sports and grades such as basketball, volleyball, soccer, softball, and running club (on hold due to Covid).
- Special Lunch hour clubs such as: Grade 4-6 Choir MYRCA Book Club, Reading Club, Drumming Club, Orff Club, Hand bell Club, MYRCA, Recorder Club, Girls Who Code and Coding Club (on hold this year due to Covid)
- School Participation in Honor Choir, WSD STEAM, MYRCA, Honor Choir, WSD Pow Wow, Divisional Track Meet, WISE and other enrichment opportunities were offered virtually due to Covid.
- Regie Routman Transformative Writing Project Staff Participant and Pilot School for MB Education ELA Curriculum.
- Special guests & performances such as Taiko Drumming, WSO, RWB, Winnipeg Police Safety Presentations and WISE (Women in Science and Engineering) Kid-netic Energy Program were done virtually.
- Special School Wide Events such as Terry Fox Run, Halloween Gym, Remembrance Day Ceremony, Winter Concert, Holiday Pancake breakfast, Grade 6 farewell and school wide assemblies were virtual this year.
- Music Program with Orff instruments, records, ukuleles, Choir, Bucket drums, Djembes African Drums and concerts
- Daily Breakfast Program
- Courtyard Garden: Students planted vegetable and flower Garden
- School Resource Officer and SRO Safety Presentations
- School wide Programs such as Mindfulness and Zones of Regulation and Kids in the Know
- Focus on technology with home math and reading supports such as Dreambox, Epic and Raz kids
- Technology in classrooms such as iPad, computer lab, robots/spheros, green screens, coding equipment, etc.
- Daycare located inside the school (Down to Earth Childcare)
- The Boys and Girls Club ran an after school drop in program virtually due to Covid.
- During the Pandemic suspension of classes, Carpathia Staff used the Seesaw Family app and Google meets to communicate lessons with families in addition to phone calls, emails and scheduled visits. Teachers also provided paper copies of lessons online lessons for those that did not want to use technology.
- This year due to Covid, we had supply teachers and Educational Assistants in the school that ran recovery learning groups when they were not needed to substitute.



Priorities for 2020-2021

School priorities from the past school year

1. Students

To provide robust and comprehensive education, equitable access, diverse opportunity, and a supportive learning environment for all students to help them prepare for their journey with values of learning and social justice, and to be responsible community members.

2. Learning Outcomes

To further improve school attendance, achievements and graduation rates through the exploration of additional programs and strategies.

3. Addressing Barriers to Learning

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Examples: We will continue to have a focus on Literacy and Math. More students will meet expectations in all sub-competencies in the grade 3 provincial assessment for reading in fall 2021 with the support of Guided Reading Groups, Reading Recovery Intervention, Regie Routman Professional Learning Series, Professional Support Services Staff, Literacy hours and Professional Learning Centres. More Carpathia students will meet expectations in all sub-competencies in the Grade 3 provincial assessments for numeracy by using the Grade 1-6 Dreambox program and Grade 1-6 Jump Math Program. We will also be accessing an WSD Early Years Support Teacher to build on mathematical knowledge that will support attainment and build capacity in staff and students in mathematical understanding in Kindergarten to Grade 2. We will continue to involve students with Education for Sustainable Development initiatives and Human Rights issues through writing. We will have a school wide theme of Canadian birds that we will be exploring in January 2022 through every grade and different curriculums through blended learning (technology).

2. Learning Outcomes

To further improve school attendance, achievements and graduation rates through the exploration of additional programs and strategies.

Examples: We will continue to implement our attendance policy and use an attendance officer to assist in improving school attendance, achievement and graduation rates. We will work with programs such as CAN-U, BSAP and WISE to connect with students and provide them with extra opportunities and enrichment. We started a walking school bus this year and are continuing next year with this program.

3. Addressing Barriers to Learning

To further develop initiatives and innovative approaches addressing individual student needs and accessibility requirements, mental health issues, childcare needs, and nutritional needs.

Examples: We will continue to use Mindfulness, Roots of Empathy and Zones of regulation. We have a Guidance Counsellor to support students daily. We will continue with our Breakfast and twice weekly snack program. Our staff and students will continue with school wide PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports).

Parent and Community Involvement

Highlights & Priorities from 2020-2021

Carpathia School has an active Parent Council. The Parent Council (PAC) meets in evenings once a month virtually this year. In 2020-2021 the PAC ran a busy Lunch Program. PAC also arranged a hot lunch fundraiser before the school went into pandemic level orange.

PAC fundraising was used to assist in the cost of field trips for students. With these fundraisers PAC also gave money towards field trips, recess equipment, Grade 6 awards, etc. Due to Covid, field trips were put on hold as well as fundraising.

Several community organizations have formed partnerships with Carpathia. Clinical Support Services operates a Summer Service program out of Carpathia School. The Tuxedo Family Resource Centre used our space for classes as well as Kids@Play for toddler/parent classes. The Boys and Girls Club, Corydon Community Centre and other local groups get permits to use our gym after school hours. In the summer time, groups use our field for soccer and baseball practice. These programs are booked through the Permit Department of Winnipeg School Division. Many of these programs were offered virtually due to Covid restrictions.

Carpathia School also takes in Teachers in training as well as Educational Assistants in Training from the University of Winnipeg.

Carpathia School is always looking for parent and community volunteers. If you know of anyone interested in volunteering, please have them contact the school office!



Please note some of this photographs were taken prior to pandemic restrictions