# École River Heights School Community Report 2021-2022

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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 opportunities 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 École River Heights School to be: Engaged, Confident, Inspired, and Successful Learners.





École River Heights School is a Grade 7 & 8 Middle School in Winnipeg, Manitoba, that features both English and French Immersion programs as well as a Late French Immersion option. ÉRHS is the first and only School in Manitoba to be authorized in the Middle Years Programme of the International Baccalaureate.

There are 451 students in grade 7 & 8 and ÉRHS is one of 79 schools within the Winnipeg School Division. Along with Academic courses, RH provides students with options such as visual arts, dance, drama, band, musical theatre production, design, Spanish and Truth & Reconciliation.

The staff are committed to a learning environment that promotes growth mindset and strong values for social justice. They provide opportunities for students to develop knowledge, critical thinking skills that are necessary in the global world.

## Highlights

- First year as an authorised International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme School.
- Hawk-Eye-View weekly news letter to celebrate our school and students with our community
- Continued successful Covid 9 Pandemic programming for students
- Partnered with The Honourable Jim Carr's office to develop a framework for a Youth Engagement Project that River Heights Students will pilot
- Continued partnership with Get Real Manitoba
- Early and Late Immersion student participation in Concours d'art oratoire
- New School Logo designed by a student
- Spirit Week
- Festival du Voyageurs
- Ribbons for Ukraine Initiative raised over \$1000 for War Relief Funds
- Development of Grade 7 Climate Science Unit for Manitoba Department of Education
- Destination Imagination returns live at ERHS all our 5 teams placed first and second place in the Improvisation, Fine Arts and Instant Challenges
- Grade 8 Camp Cedarwood
- Mrs. Tetrault won the Manitoba Excellence in Education Teaching Award
- Mrs. Thanisch recognized by UofM as a significant contributor to Excellence in Teaching and Learning
- Mrs. Jones received a Certificate of Merit for her work with the Reading Council of Greater Winnipeg













# Priorities for 2021-2022

- 1. Continue to grow our learning in the International Baccalaureate Middle Years program.
- 2. Increase student literacy by building teacher teams for collaboration.
- 3. Increase student numeracy by building teacher teams for collaboration and capacity.
- Increase students' sense of belonging to the school.

### **Priorities for 2021-22**

School goals and priorities are established on a yearly basis following consultation with *Manitoba Education*, the Winnipeg School Division and with input from our school community (staff, students and parents).



### **Parent and Community Involvement**

• Parent Advisory Council members met monthly in virtual meetings. Meetings continue to be an opportunity to share information, plan forward and celebrate accomplishments. PAC was able to re-introduce Fun

Lunches for our students with lunches from Pita Pit, A&W and Pizza Pizza. Our Parent Advisory Council is constantly praising, appreciating and motivating our staff by their kind words of support, lunches, treats and coffee! Our PAC was able to fundraise enough to provide ÉRHS with a new water bottle filling station.

- Virtual Open House
- Updated School Website
- Create a School Instagram Account
- Ribbons for Ukraine Service as Action Donations for the Ukrainian Relief Fund
- Grade 8 Farewell & Awards Ceremony
- Grade 8 Dinner & Dance



