

GRANT PARK HIGH SCHOOL

Community Report 2021-2022

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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.

Our Mission Statement

Grant Park High School provides a safe and respectful learning environment where students of all abilities are challenged and encouraged to develop the knowledge, the sense of responsibility and the skills needed to achieve excellence in a rapidly changing world.



About Our School

Grant Park High School is a grade 7 to grade 12 school situated in the south end of the Winnipeg School Division. Grant Park High School is comprised of a dedicated community of students, staff, and families committed to a learning environment built on positive relationships. The school offers a wide range of academic, performing arts, technical training, and athletic opportunities. We also house comprehensive Inclusion Support Services Programs.

Grant Park's staff is comprised of a principal, two vice-principals, and 75 teachers in the following areas: English, math, science, humanities, resource/inclusion support education, guidance, physical education/health, band, drama, choral, dance, visual art, English as an additional language, Indigenous graduation, industrial arts and human ecology. Grant Park's support staff include a librarian, career intern, computer technician, kinesiologist, and educational assistants. Additional support is provided by a team from Clinical Support Services which consists of a reading clinician, social worker, psychologist, speech/language pathologist, occupational therapist, and audiologist.



Highlights

Academic programming at Grant Park High School takes place in a safe, positive learning environment and is focused on the acquisition of skills that will support life-long learning. All grade 7 to 12 students are assessed on an ongoing basis to provide current, accurate, and consistent information in relation to specific Manitoba Education curricular learning outcomes.

This school year was met with many challenges, changes and adjustments. COVID-19 safety and protocols were at the forefront of many program-based decisions throughout the year. As the year progressed, the building started to see 'normalcy' on the horizon, and programs returned from a two-year hiatus.



Fast Facts of Grant Park High School We offer:

a Community Access Program, Advanced Placement and Advanced Programs, Middle School and Senior High Autism Centres, an English as an Additional Language Literacy Transition Centre, a Flexible Learning Program, Interdivisional Programming for students with Autism, a School-to-Career Transition Program, a Learning Assistance Centre, second language instruction in French and Spanish, a Visual and Performing Arts Department that includes Art, Band, Choral, Dance and Drama options for students, a Technical Education Department that offers coursework in Graphic Design, Video Production, Woodworking, Clothing and Fashion Design, Foods and Nutrition, Automotive, Family Studies, as well as additional apprenticeship opportunities



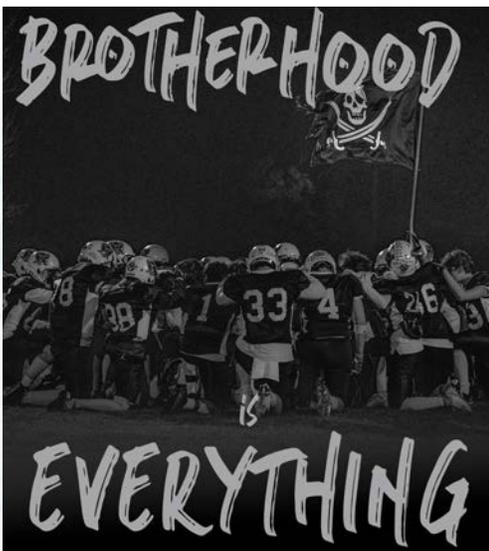
Special Events are an important part of the Grant Park High School experience.

Celebrations in 2021-2022 school year included: Meet the Teacher, camping trips, Walkathon fundraiser, Middle School and Inclusion Support, Musicals and Dramas, staff/student hockey, Food Truck lunch, the Grant Park Robotics team coming in fourth place in Canada, the JV Boys basketball team becoming league champions, and over 100 students participating in football, with the Varsity Football AAA Team having an undefeated season and becoming league finalists!



Extra-Curricular Programs: During the 2021-2022 year, Grant Park slowly worked towards normalcy by bringing back a wide array of clubs, teams, and committees. There was never a dull moment in the gyms as sports teams competed successfully in inter-scholastic sports. Club options included

opportunities to explore activities like debating, knitting, chess, Green Team, and Reach for the Top. Active student organizations included the Social Justice Committee, Respected, and Student Council.



Successes from Grant Park High School's 2021 - 2022 Priorities

In addition to the four Provincial priority areas, and the priorities of the Winnipeg School Division as outlined in the Strategic Plan, the following were school priorities for 2021/22:

Providing assistance to the instructional staff and support staff in order that they may develop and implement appropriate programming for all students. Focused programming facilitating Indigenous students acquiring a positive self-identity through learning their own histories, cultures and contemporary lifestyles.

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.

- Black History Month, resource support, Community of Kindness, Envirothon, Social Justice committee, Orange Shirt Day

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

- 95% attendance rate, Reading is Thinking courses, School Initiated Courses, apprenticeships, volunteer credits, grade 9 transitional math

Addressing Barriers to Learning: To further develop initiatives and innovative approaches addressing special needs and accessibility requirements, mental health issues, childcare needs, and nutritional needs.

- Support for students with anxiety, FOCUS program, Breakfast club, food program, fresh garden vegetables and gardening class, Gender and Sexuality Alliance, Inclusion Support program, clinical support services

Fiscal Responsibility: To provide responsible management of tax dollars and resources to ensure long-term fiscal sustainability and accountability of the programs, facilities, and services that we provide.

- Long term planning and fundraising for special projects, preventative care and maintenance of existing facilities, reduce, reuse, recycle, repurpose

Sustainability: To strengthen and enhance sustainable development initiatives that address environmental, social, and economic issues.

- Green Team - reduce, reuse, recycle, compost, Cultural Night, Community Support Worker, Expanding horticulture program

Employees: To retain, attract, and develop our valued staff who are dedicated to the vision, purpose, values, and Principles of Learning of Winnipeg School Division, and reflect community diversity.

- Build from Within, cultural diverse staff complement, wide range of academic, athletic, and performing arts opportunities that attract potential employees, professional development

Communications and Partnerships with Community: To further develop communications and partnerships with the communities we serve, parents, families, government, businesses, health and social service agencies, Indigenous education, other community organizations, and our valued volunteers.

- Indigenous Grad Coach, Grant Park Shopping Centre, School Resource Officer, YES program, McDonald's, The HUB, City of Winnipeg, Pan Am Pool, playground facilities, Access Fort Garry TEEN CLINIC

Parent and Community Involvement

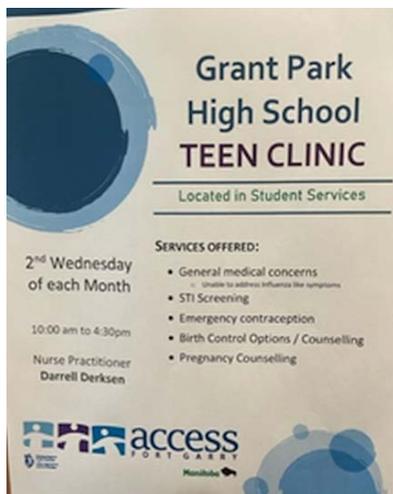
The home-school partnership is an essential component of academic success at Grant Park. The school's Parent Advisory Community Council facilitates increased understanding and communication about students and the educational process. Celebrations of learning take the form of student-led conferences, Inquiry, Heritage and Science Fairs.



School daily announcements and information are communicated via the public address system, Twitter, email, hallway TV, and school website.



Visual and Performing Arts Department: Building on a legacy of success and hard work, this year's department offerings showcased student choral, band concerts, musical, dance, painting, sculpting, sketching, and theatric learning. Highlights from the past year included the Musical and Drama Performances for High School, Middle School and Inclusion Support. Each year a number of students are accepted into prestigious Fine Arts university programs showcasing the skills and experiences they have acquired at GPHS.



Grant Park Teen Clinic: Located in Student Services, Grant Park's Teen Clinic is available on the second Wednesday of each month. Students are encouraged to make an appointment.



Bonnie McEachern, Middle School VP, celebrates her retirement!