Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools

Inspiring students to become the best they can be!

**FAST facts**
- 3,691 students
- 251 teaching staff
- 281 support staff
- 17 school sites
- 2 colony schools
- 3 outreach schools
- 1 Early Education Family Wellness Center
- 1 Home Education School Program

**OUR students**

- Based on achievement and performance results, as well as student engagement feedback, the overall impression is schools are continuing to improve the academic success of all students and enhance the success of First Nations students. However, results continue to demonstrate an FNMI achievement gap.
- While there was a decline in 2014 Provincial Achievement Test acceptable results, they have been otherwise improving. Diploma acceptable and excellence results improved significantly in 2014.
- FNMI students are demonstrating gains in high school English and Math.
- The overall three year high school completion rate is also improving, achieving 70% for the first time.
- WRPS students report they are engaged in schools and in classrooms.

**OUR priorities**

- Continue focused professional development and collaboration based on the Learning Cycle targeting changes in classroom teaching practices resulting in improvements in student learning.
- Provide “responsive” high quality timely learning assistance to students in need.
- Implement a focused instructional approach targeting low achieving schools.
- Implement programs and services designed to improve quality of education and learning for aboriginal students.

**WE’RE listening**

- We are asking students how they are doing, are they engaged, are they safe, are they satisfied with the teaching they receive. The answer is a resounding YES!
- We are specifically asking our First Nations students and parents what is working and what could be better. We want to develop strategies that are responsive.
- Results from Alberta Education surveys:
  - support our commitment to providing safe and caring schools
  - tell us parents are satisfied with their involvement
  - We are committed to listening and learning
  - We are following up on information we received from parents about what they said regarding the kinds of schools and programs that are needed throughout our school division. “Strategic Facility Plan”

**BOTTOM line**

- Challenges maintaining equitable programs and staffing levels across schools resulting from the steady decline resulting in funding reductions.
- We continue studying how to provide high quality sustainable schools across WRPS.
- We remain focused on ensuring the academic success for all of our students.
- We are committed to ensuring excellence in learning through exemplary teaching and outstanding leadership.

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