

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS/CEO REPORT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT 2020



Central Okanagan Public Schools

Together We Learn





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MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission: To educate students in a safe, inspirational learning environment where each student develops the knowledge and skills to be a lifelong learner and a healthy productive member of our global society.

VISION STATEMENT

Our Vision: Central Okanagan Public Schools is a progressive leader in education, which sets the standard for educational excellence and strives to ensure that each student has opportunities to succeed.



CULTURAL VALUES

- **Honesty** is the building block for relationships and the basis for trust. It is the absence of falsehood and the action of full disclosure. It is the ultimate test of moral strength. When honesty is present, integrity will also be apparent.
- **Responsibility** is being accountable for our actions and their consequences. When we demonstrate responsibility, we are doing our best to meet the expectations of ourselves and others.
- Respect is "to consider worthy of high regard". Being respectful is an attitude of honouring people and caring about their rights.
- **Empathy** is a feeling of concern, compassion and understanding of another's situation or feelings.
- While recognizing individual situations and differences, **Fairness** is ensuring impartiality where everyone plays by the same rules.



OUR OVERARCHING GOAL

"Each Central Okanagan Public School student (K-12) will provide evidence of being a learner, thinker, innovator, collaborator, and contributor."



- Serve over 200,000 citizens in 4 municipalities (Peachland, West Kelowna, Kelowna and Lake Country), Westbank First Nation and the Regional District of Central Okanagan
- 5th largest District in the province (4% of provincial enrollment)
- 44 Schools: 31 Elementary, 7 Middle (soon to be 8), 5 Secondary, and
 1 Alternative Education (4 campuses)
- Partnerships with 16 Preschools
- 8 Strong Start Centres

Partners Include:

- Central Okanagan Teacher's Association (COTA)
- Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 3523 (CUPE)
- Central Okanagan Principals' & Vice Principals' Association (COPVPA)
- Central Okanagan Parent Advisory Council (COPAC)
- District Student Council (DSC)

Management Team:

- Central Okanagan School Business Officials (COSBO)
- BC School Superintendents Association (BCSSA)











CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS OUR STUDENTS



	H/C*
Elementary	10,890
Middle	4,739
Secondary	7,122
Alternate Programs	1,228
	23,502
International Ed	477
TOTAL:	23,979

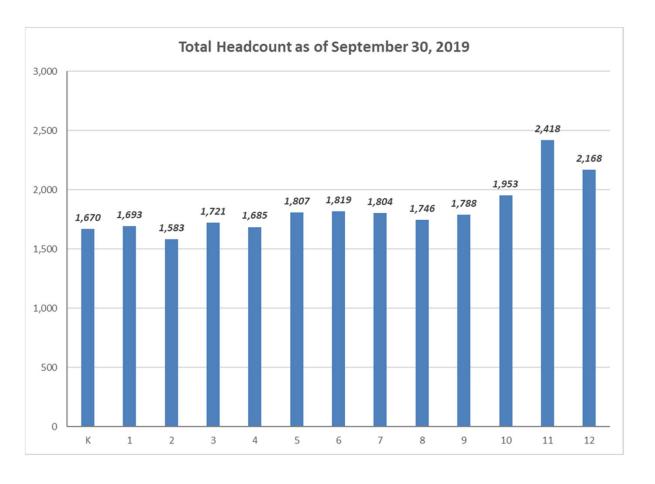
- *H/C = headcount
- Data as of September 30, 2019



CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS OUR STUDENTS



GRADE LEVEL DISTRIBUTION



COVID-19



STAGE 1 SCHOOL DENSITY TARGETS 100%	STAGE 2 SCHOOL DENSITY TARGETS K-7: 100% Grade 8-12: 40%	STAGE 3 SCHOOL DENSITY TARGETS K-5: 50% Gr. 6-12: 20%	STAGE 4 SCHOOL DENSITY TARGETS K-12: 20%	STAGE 5 SCHOOL DENSITY TARGETS K-12: 0%
In-class instruction:	In-class instruction:	In-class instruction:	In-class instruction:	In-class instruction:
K-12: 5 day per week	K-7: 5 days per week Grade 8-12: 2 days per week 5 days per week available for: Children of essential service workers Students with disabilities/diverse abilities Students who require additional supports Remote/online instruction: Balance of learning	K-5: 2 to 3 days per week Gr. 6-7: 1 day per week Gr 8-12: 1 day per week 5 days per week available for: Children of essential service workers Students with disabilities/diverse abilities Students who require additional supports Remote/online instruction: Parent/Guardian choice to return to in-dass instruction optional Balance of learning	K-12: Limited 5 days per week available for: Children of essential service workers Students with disabilities/ diverse abilities Students who require additional supports Remote/online instruction: K-12: Majority of all students	K-12: None Suspend all in-class instruction for all grades and students Remote/online instruction: K-12: All Students

INDIGENOUS EDUCATION Through the Lens of Equity



- Over 3000 students (K-12) identify as Indigenous (First Nations, Metis, or Inuit)
- Indigenous students have opportunities to engage in cultural learnings and protocols through the Indigenous Education Department
- Indigenous content is embedded in curriculum (K-12), supporting our focus on Reconcili-ACTION



INDIGENOUS EDUCATION Through the Lens of Equity



- A District Equity Scan Committee, comprised of Elders, District staff, Teachers, Indigenous Student Advocates, and community members was formed in 2018 to explore equitable practices for Indigenous learners and to make recommendations on goals and priorities to the Board of Education.
- On February 20th, 2020, the Board of Education and the Indigenous communities within the Okanagan Territory came together to sign the five-year "Equity in Action Agreement".





Equity Empowers each learner to thrive holistically

INDIGENOUS EDUCATION GRADUATION









CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION





- The Internationalization of local schools is accelerating with the growth of the community and in the 2019/2020 school year the Central Okanagan Public Schools:
 - processed and supported 408 new clients (parents and children) through the District Welcome Centre resulting in the enrolment of 358 newly arrived students from 49 countries
 - had a total of **1438** new immigrant children from **79** countries enrolled across the District



- The diversity coming into the community is also reflected in the data collected by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada:
 - during the 2019/2020 school year, 182 economic class immigrants, 37 family class immigrants and 175 refugees were serviced through the District Welcome Centre
 - the most prevalent countries represented in new immigrant numbers in the Central Okanagan by volume were: Syria, Philippines, Peoples Republic of China, Germany, Great Britain, United States, South Africa, Republic of Korea, Mexico, Jamaica, and India.

CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION





- Further cultural diversity was introduced to local schools through the Central Okanagan Public Schools International Education Program in the 2019/2020 school year:
 - o 573 students totaling 410 FTE from 33 countries and jurisdictions enrolled in local schools
 - the countries sending the most students to the Central Okanagan by volume were: Germany, China (including Hong Kong and Macau), Mexico, Spain, Japan, Korea, Brazil, Italy, Belgium, Columbia and Slovakia.



CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION – OUR STUDENTS





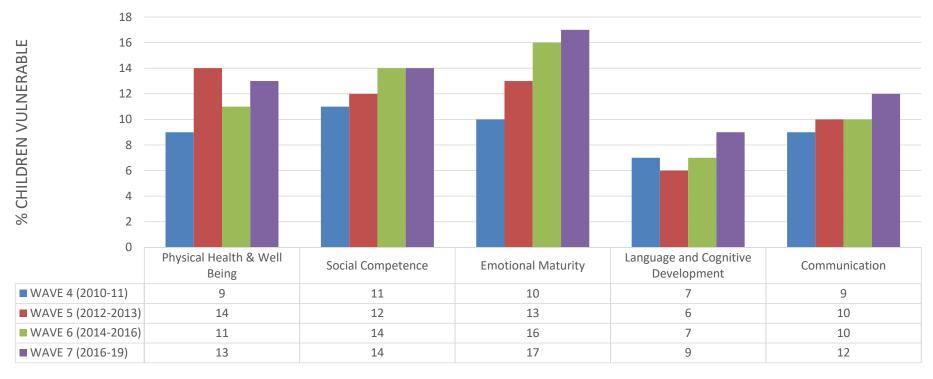


- Aside from the benefits inherent to interactions with students from other cultures, such as becoming more globally aware, local students also benefit from increased services and support due to having an international program in the District:
 - o in 2019/2020, over **\$3.8** million dollars was distributed to schools and the District which supplemented funding from the Ministry of Education; and
 - structures, services and support required to provide a robust international program continue to be leveraged to better support students in all schools.

HUMAN EARLY LEARNING PARTNERSHIP



Early Development Instrument (EDI)



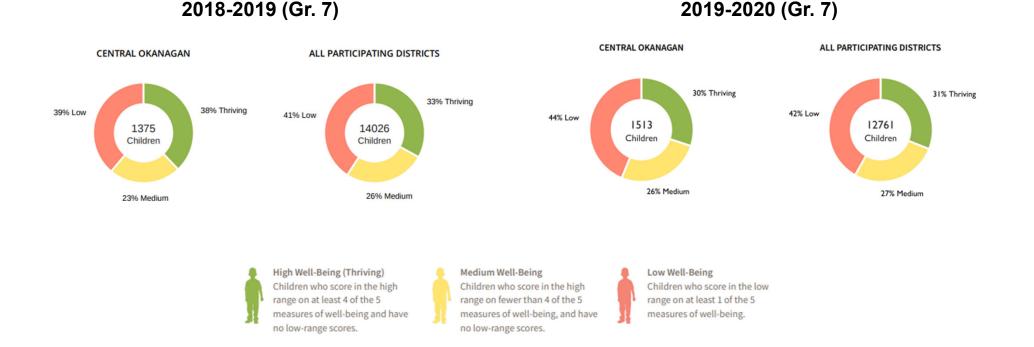
The collection of the Early Development Instrument (EDI) data over the last decade, through the work of the late Dr. Clyde Hertzman of UBC's Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP), indicates approximately **30**% of children living in the Central Okanagan are developmentally vulnerable in one or more area when they enter Kindergarten.

MIDDLE YEARS DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT (MDI)

The Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) is a self-report questionnaire that asks children in Grade 4 and Grade 7 about their thoughts, feelings and experiences in school and in the community. The MDI is not an assessment for individual children. Instead, it is a unique and comprehensive population-based measure that helps us gain a deeper understanding of children's health and well-being during middle childhood. Researchers at the Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) are using results from the MDI to understand the factors that promote children's socialemotional health and well-being. In addition, the MDI is being used to inform policy and practice and support collaboration across education, health and community sectors.

Children's self-reported well-being is directly related to the number of assets they perceive in their lives; as the number of assets in a child's life increases, they are more likely to report higher levels of well-being (Gadermann et al., 2016).

MIDDLE YEARS DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT (MDI) – Grade 7 Social and Emotional Development Results



MIDDLE YEARS DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT (MDI) – Grades 4 & 7 Social and Emotional Development Resu

OPTIMISM

Optimism refers to the mindset of having positive expectations for the future. e.g. "I have more good times than bad times."

EMPATHY

Empathy is the experience of understanding and sharing the feelings of others. e.g. "I care about the feelings of others."

PROSOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Prosocial behaviour refers to actions that benefit others. e.g. "I helped someone who was hurt."

SELF-ESTEEM

Self-esteem refers to a person's sense of self-worth. e.g. "A lot of things about me are good."

HAPPINESS

Happiness refers to how content or satisfied children are with their lives. e.g. "I am happy with my life."

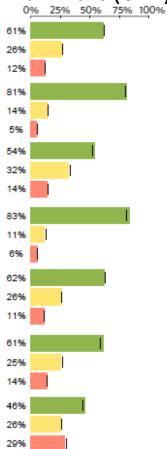
ABSENCE OF SADNESS

Sadness measures the beginning symptoms of depression. e.g. "I feel unhappy a lot of the time."

ABSENCE OF WORRIES

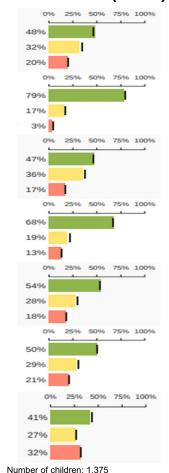
Worries measure the beginning symptoms of anxiety. e.g. "I worry a lot that other people might not like me."

2017-2018 (Gr. 4)

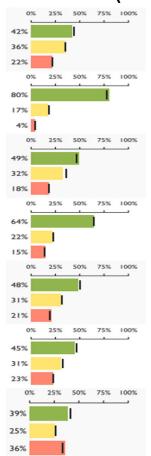


Number of children: 1.467

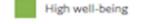
2018-2019 (Gr. 7)



2019-2020 (Gr. 7)



Percentage of children who reported:







Average for all districts *

Number of children: 1,513

19

^{*} The average for all districts participating in the 2016/17 MDI represents 7,599 children, including those from your district. See page 9 for a list of participating districts.

EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS



In partnership with families and community, we support the development of the whole child through competency driven, child centered, place—based pedagogy so that each child develops the attributes of a learner, thinker, innovator, collaborator and contributor.





EARLY YEARS PARTNERSHIPS



- We currently have 16 preschools and 8 StrongStart programs nested in Central Okanagan Public Schools. Serving approximately 600 families each year in preschool programs and more than 1800 families through StrongStart, these programs have had a profound impact on learner and school readiness. It is one of our most effective practices for ensuring safe, seamless and well-supported transitions from home to school.
- We also recognize the need to transition all **1713** children entering kindergarten in the coming year, through a family-centered approach. We know that each family entering public education is unique as circumstance and context varies from family to family.
- We currently have **18** School Aged Out-of-School Care Programs, operating from schools and providing a seamless day for families.
- We are exploring the possibility of prototyping a K-2 seamless day program at one of our schools for the 2020-21 school year. Funding from the Ministry of Education is pending.



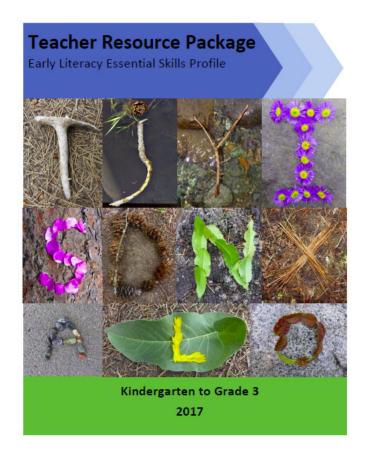
EARLY LEARNING PROFILE



Emergent literacy assumes that literacy acquisition begins at birth and emerges gradually over time. Long before children can read and write in a conventional sense, they are learning about literacy especially when immersed in literate-rich environments. Children arrive at preschools, StrongStart programs and Kindergarten with varying degrees of emerging literacy knowledge dependent upon their prior experiences.

A strong focus of the Central Okanagan over the last decade has been on ensuring that foundational decoding skills are in place prior to the end of grade two to facilitate reading comprehension and to foster the joy of reading literature independently at grade three.

PM Benchmarks are used to assess students reading skills (accuracy, fluency and comprehension) and help us as a District monitor the reading skills of our learners.

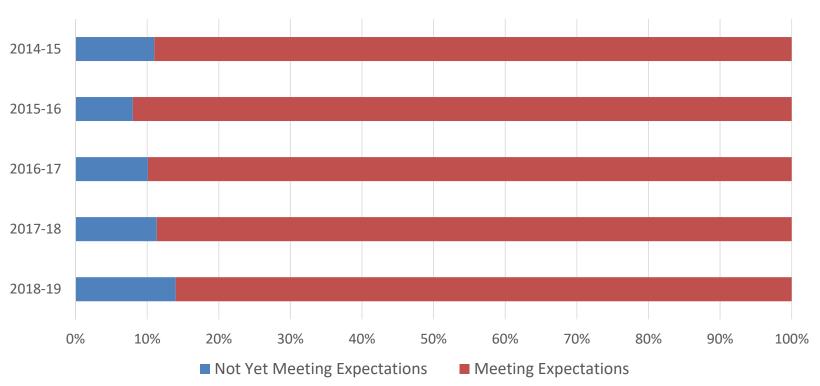


BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS - LITERACY



READING PERFORMANCE

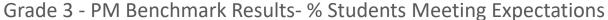
PM Benchmark Results - Grade 3

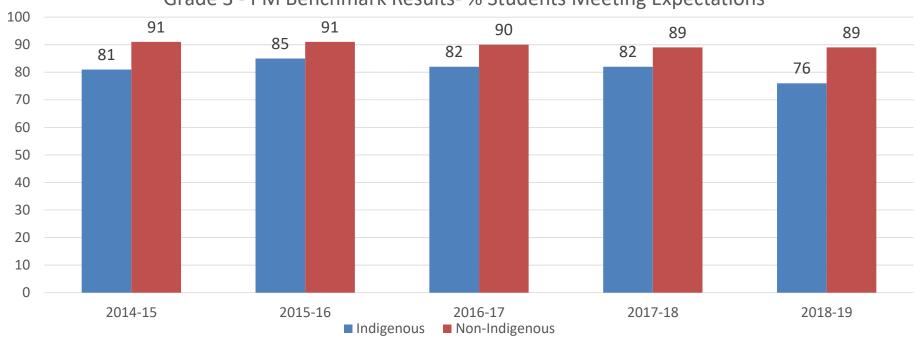


BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS - LITERACY



READING PERFORMANCE





To address disparity of literacy results, the Collaborative Learning Services Team (Early Learning, Instructional Leadership, Indigenous Ed, Student Support Services) will be focusing efforts in the Fall to provide additional classroom support in schools with highest levels of vulnerability.

BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS- LITERACY



TRANSFER OF LITERACY FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS

Having a strong foundation of literacy skills contributes to each student acquiring the attributes of a learner. We believe that as competent communicators that they will thrive as they acquire the attributes of thinker, innovator, collaborator and contributor.

We use the School Wide Write to assess the achievement of our students beyond the primary grades.

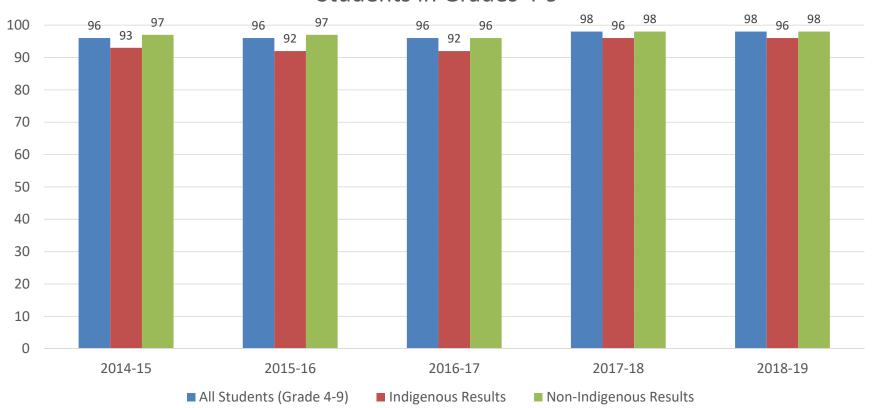


BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS- LITERACY



SCHOOL WIDE WRITE RESULTS

Students in Grades 4-9

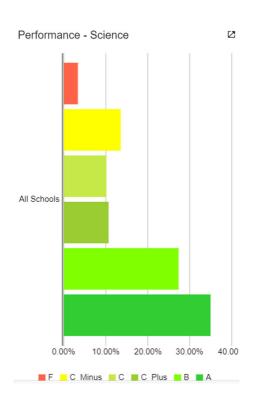


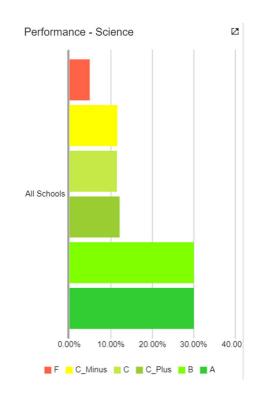
BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS - SCIENCE

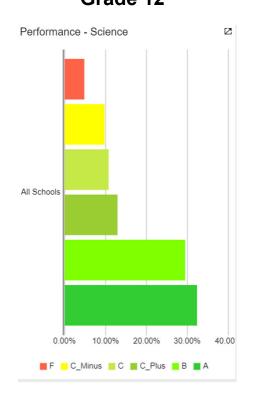


FINAL MARK DISTRIBUTION FOR SCIENCE COURSES BY GRADE - 2018-2019

Grade 10 Grade 11 Grade 12





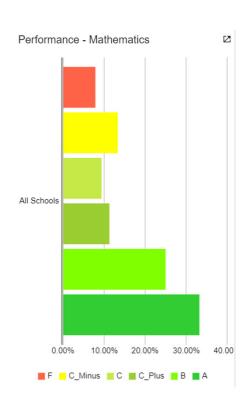


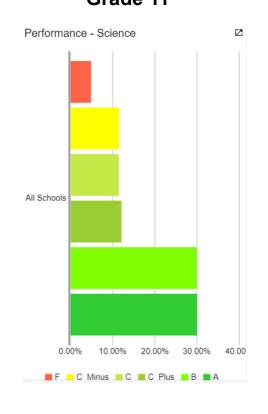
BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS – MATHEMATICS

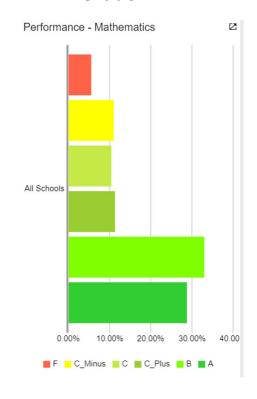


FINAL MARK DISTRIBUTION FOR MATH COURSES BY GRADE 2018-2019

Grade 10 Grade 11 Grade 12







BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS – GRADE 10 MATHEMATICS

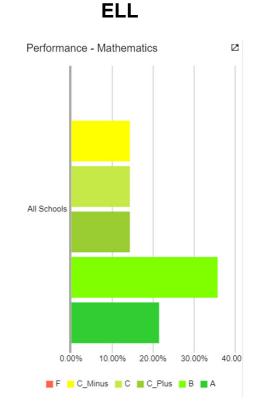


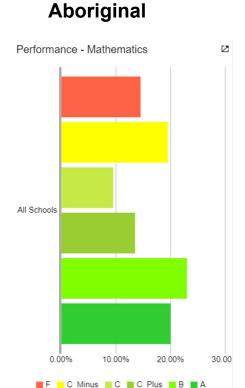
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FINAL MARK DISTRIBUTION FOR GRADE 10 MATH COURSES 2018-2019

All Schools One of the second second

All Students



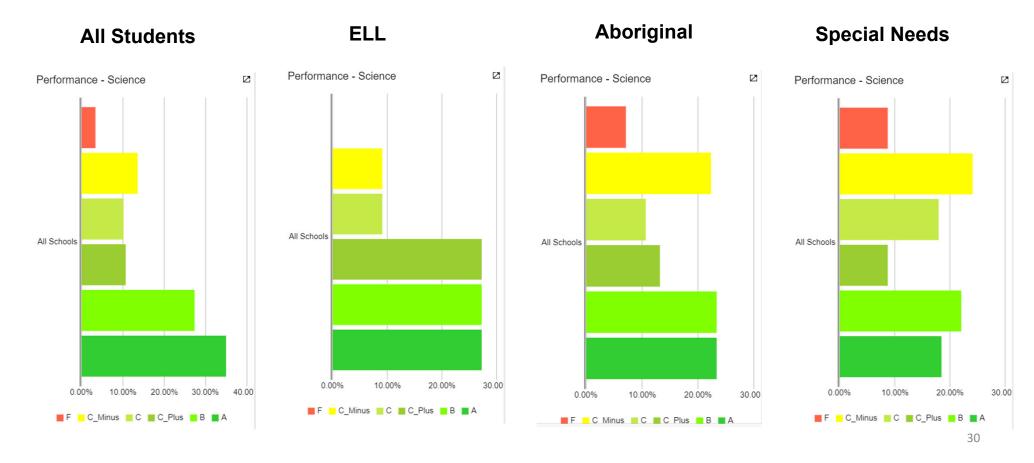




BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS – GRADE 10 SCIENCE



FINAL MARK DISTRIBUTION FOR GRADE 10 SCIENCE COURSES - 2018-2019



BUILDING FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS – GRADE 10 LANGUAGE ARTS

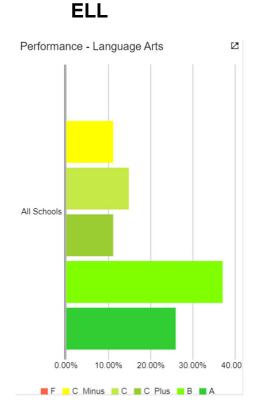


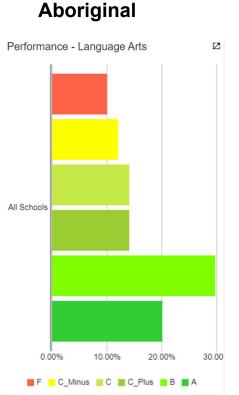
Special Needs

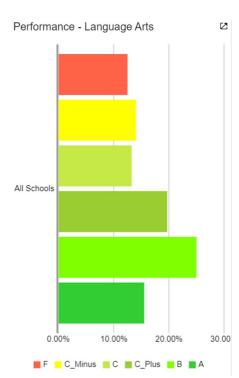
FINAL MARK DISTRIBUTION FOR GRADE 10 LANGUAGE ARTS - 2018-2019

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All Students

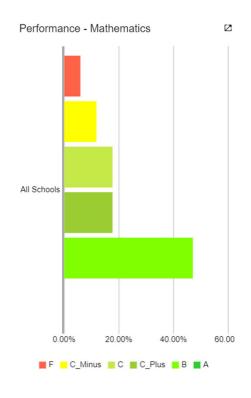


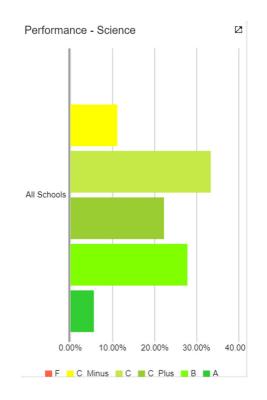




CHILDREN IN CARE - SCIENCE AND MATH 2018-2019

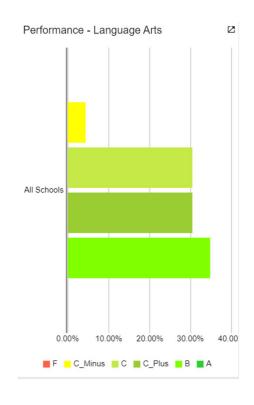


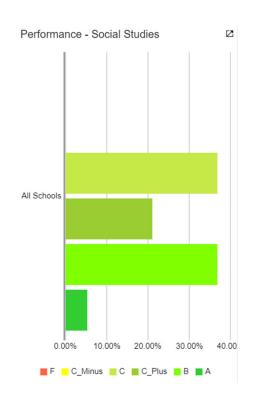




CHILDREN IN CARE - SOCIAL STUDIES AND LANGUAGE ARTS 2018-2019





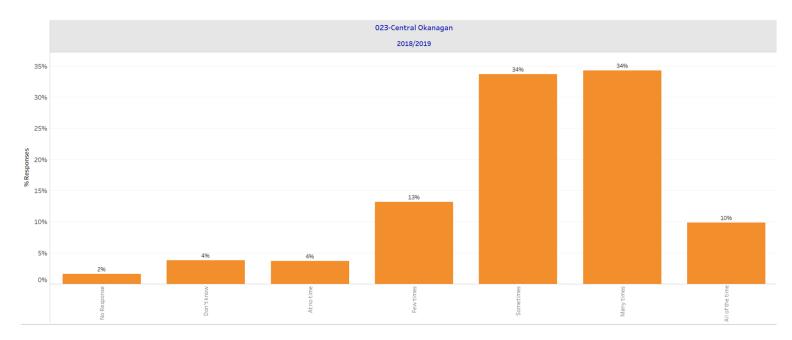


STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY OVERARCHING GOAL – CRITICAL THINKING



2018/2019 - 023-Central Okanagan - Grade 12 Students

Category: Intellectual Development - S17 - At school, are you learning to be a critical thinker? (for example, analyzing, making connections, asking questions, challenging assumptions)

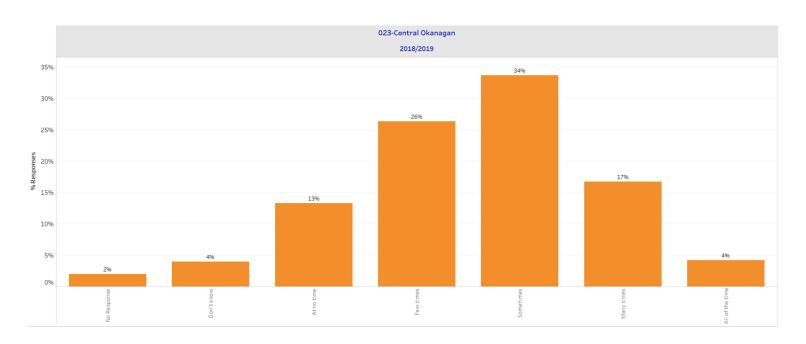


91 % responded positively

STUDENT LEARNING SURVEY OVERARCHING GOAL – CREATIVE THINKING

2018/2019 - 023-Central Okanagan - Grade 12 Students

Category: Intellectual Development - S16 - At school, are you learning ways to become more creative? (for example, creating things on-the-spot without preparation, reusing things for entirely new purposes, unstructured exploration)

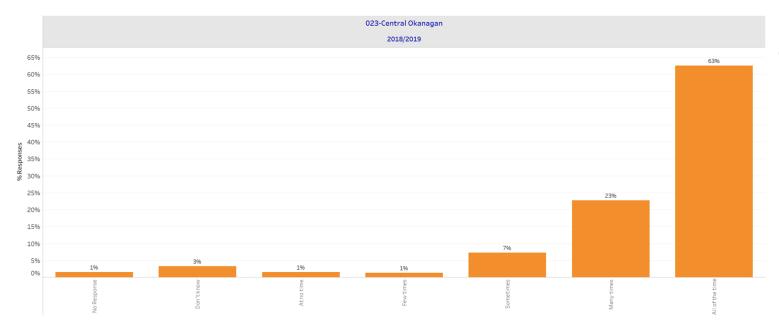


81 % responded positively

ENHANCING STUDENT LEARNING FRAMEWORK HUMAN AND SOCIAL COMPETENCIES

2018/2019 - 023-Central Okanagan - Grade 12 Students

Category: Social Development - Q18 - At school, do you respect people who are different from you (for example, think, act, or look different)?



94% responded positively

ENHANCING STUDENT LEARNING FRAMEWORK HUMAN AND SOCIAL COMPETENCIES

All schools and programs in the Central Okanagan Public Schools have a focus that is directly or indirectly around the Social and Emotional Wellness of each learner. Some of the major themes are identified as:

- 1. Sense of Belonging and Connectedness
- 2. Focus on Cultivating a Culture of Kindness
- 3. Empowering students to develop a Growth Mindset
- 4. Fostering Curiosity and Engagement
- 5. Fostering Determined Learners
- 6. Fostering Positive Relationships in all learners
- 7. Designing Collaborative Learning Communities by starting with EMPATHY
- 8. Fostering an adventure for learning through the social, emotional and physical well-being in our school community
- 9. Supporting Self-Regulated Learners
- OECD Learning Principles learners at the centre, learning is a social process and emotions are integral to learning
- 11. Critical, creative and compassionate thinking
- 12. Effective personal and inter-personal skills
- 13. Personal and social responsibility

DUAL CREDIT RESULTS - BCIT and SCHOOL-BASED



BCIT

Electricity & Industrial Electronics (Construction Electrician) - (Graham)
Heavy Duty Equipment Technician

School Based

Fire Academy 12

Auto Service Technician
Culinary Arts
Hairstylist
Forestry/Utility Arborist
Certified Education Assistant
Forestry/Utility Arborist

Emergency Medical Responder (Justice Institute of BC)

BCIT and School Based

YEAR	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Completion Rate	83%	83%	89%

2018-19

Students enrolled in Dual Credit Programs **204**

DUAL CREDIT RESULTS - OKANAGAN COLLEGE



Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (AME) M-License Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (AME) Structures Automotive Refinishing Prep Technician Automotive Service Technician (Mechanic) Carpentry/Joinery

Collision Repair Refinishing Prep Technician

Culinary Arts (Certificate – PC 1&2)

Culinary Arts (PC1 - Technical)

Electrician Pre-Apprenticeship (Construction Electrician)

Heavy Mechanical

Plumbing & Piping Trades
Recreation Vehicle Service Tech
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic
Residential Construction
Sheet Metal
Welder
Health Care Assistant

Trade Sampler Program

Okanagan College Completion Rates

YEAR	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Completion Rate	73%	86%	79%

WORK EXPERIENCE 12 (A and B)



Standards for Authentic Work Experience

Ministry Work Experience courses consist of authentic workplace experiences. These authentic workplace experiences should:

- provide students with new learning experiences that go beyond those they receive in a school setting
- provide students with opportunities to apply in-school learning to the world of work
- provide students with opportunities to prepare them for the transition from a school environment to a workplace environment
- be community-based



	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
WEx. 12 A	1184	1253	1297
Completion	77% (911)	77.5% (971)	87.4% (1133)
WEx. 12 B	126	130	220
Completion	100%	100%	88.6% (195)



GRAD TRANSITIONS



	Authority	Youth Work in Trades Scholarship	BC Achievement Scholarship	BC Excellence Scholarship (55 in Province)
2018-2019	194	25	361	2
2017-2018	173	7	341	1
2016-2017	186	2	351	3
2015-2016	160	7	*	*

^{*} new awards created in 2016/2017

Awarded to 2019 Graduates

- \$ 509,135 Central Okanagan Bursary and Scholarship Society (COBSS)*
- \$ 728,750 BC Ministry Scholarships \$1,237,885
- + Millions of dollars in University Entrance and other Post-Secondary Scholarships
- * Currently for 2020 over \$513,000



COMBINED SIX-YEAR COMPLETION RATE (With Evergreen Successes)

Six-Year Completion Rate (Ministry Reported)	82.8%
Students in Cohort Adjusted for Ministry (Migration Factor)	1940
Students in Cohort (-213) (Adjusted for Non-Resident Students)	1727
Number of Completers (+54) (Adjusted for "Evergreens")	1660
Combined Six-Year Completion Rate	96.1%

(We were targeting a 93% combined rate in June 2016)



COMPLETION DATA (2012/2013 – 2018/2019)

	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19
BC Resident Rate	88.3%	91.8%	90.6%	90.0%	90.2%	92.7%	91.4% (-1.3%)
Six-Year Combined Rate	91.7%	94.6%	94.2%	96.4%	93.7%	96.9%	96.1% (-0.8%)
Provincial Six-Year Completion Rate	83.6%	84.2%	83.9%	83.6%	84.0%	84.8%	85.4% (+0.6%)



ABORIGINAL COMPLETION DATA WITH EVERGREEN IN THE COHORT (2018/2019)

	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19
Six-Year Completion Rate	72.9%	74.8%	73.8%	76.9%	78.1%	76.7% (-1.4%)
Six-Year Combined Rate	No previous calculations		78.1%	80.1%	81.9%	80.8% (-1.1%)
Provincial Six-Year Completion Rate	61.6%	63.0%	63.8%	65.9%	69.0%	69.1% (+0.1%)



CELEBRATING GRADUATION SUCCESS 2020 CONGRATULATIONS

- Indigenous Education Grad Class = **208** students
- Alternate Education Grad Class = **122** students





- Central Okanagan Public Schools is a high performing District in BC
- Student achievement results above both the national and provincial norms on almost every measure

