

Isaac Newton Middle School

Community Report 2023-2024



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About our school

Isaac Newton is a school-wide community dedicated to inspiring academic excellence, citizenship, and lifelong learning. We take pride at being at the forefront of educating our youth with innovative programs for grades 7, 8, and 9. School initiatives establish a positive learning environment in which we make every effort to differentiate the learning experience to meet the needs of each individual student, while working with families to achieve these goals. Isaac Newton School is committed to providing a caring learning environment where individuals are accepted, valued, and safe. Staff work hard in ensuring that students are well prepared for high school. We believe in an active student voice, conflict management, and restorative practices. We believe in looking at the whole child and programming through a strength-based approach. We place students at the centre, understanding that students at this age are still developing physiologically, socially, and mentally.

School Profile

- 278 Students
- 12 Classroom Teachers
- Inclusive Education Resource Teacher
- Guidance Counsellor
- Physical Education Teacher
- Fine Arts Teacher
- Band/Music/Dance Teacher
- Inclusion Support Autism Classroom
- Learning Assistance Classroom (LAC)
- 20 Support Staff including Educational Assistants, Clerks and Custodians.
- Half time Community Support Worker
- Clinical Support Services (CSS) including School Social Worker, Psychologist, Speech Language Pathologist

2023 - 2024 Highlights

- Science Fair
- Various clubs including:
 - o Fitness
 - Tae Kwon Do
 - Chess
 - o Board Games
 - Fishing
- Divisional participation in Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton, Flag Football, Soccer, Track and Field, Cross-Country
- Special Olympics
 - o Bocce Ball
 - Basketball
- School-wide outdoor track and field day
- Various field trip outings including:
 - o Human Rights Museum/The Forks
 - o Manitoba Theatre for Young People
 - Millenium Library
 - o Children's Museum
 - Assiniboine Park and Zoo
 - o The Leaf and Diversity Gardens
 - Bowling
 - Swimming
 - o Kildonan Park
- Spirit Weeks
- Night of the Arts
- National Indigenous Peoples Day Celebration
- June Water Day
- Community Clean-ups
- Robust food program including free daily breakfast for all students, fresh fruit bowls in every classroom & weekly free lunches provided to all students
- Partnership with Second Harvest a food security initiative
- Child Nutrition Council Grant
- Grade 9 Farewell ceremony
- Thinking Classrooms initiative





















Priorities for 2024-25

Next year, Isaac Newton school will continue to implement a Middle Years philosophy. This means that we will focus on the following:

- Providing teaching and learning experiences that are responsive to the developmental needs of young adolescents
- Nurture strong learning relationships among students, peers and teachers
- Increase opportunities for student voice and choice and support young adolescents in becoming more independent and responsible for their own learning

We are committed to the following priorities for the next school year:

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Inclusive Culture Student Voice and Citizenship Community Connections

To meet the physical, mental, emotional, and academic needs of youth our programming will be as follows:

Grades 7 and 8

- Students will have two teachers who will teach the core subjects
 - They will be with one teacher in the morning and the other teacher in the afternoon
- 'Option' courses will be integrated into classroom teaching
- All students will participate in music appreciation classes
- Students may choose band as an option

Grade 9

- One teacher per core subject
- Students will be able to choose from a variety of option courses
- Extra time will be allotted for English and Mathematics support

All Grades

 One Learning Support Teacher per grade to assist teachers with academic programming, attendance and engagement, and social/emotional learning





Parent and Community Involvement

Meet the Teacher

Fall Parent Conferences

Spring Student-Led Conferences

Parent Photography and Cooking Workshops

Community Support Worker

- Attendance support
- Home visits
- · Connecting families to North End resources

URIS Health Nurse

Grandmother's Group

- Bannock making
- Sewing
 - Cross-body satchels
 - Ribbon skirts

Community Resources

- WASAC (Winnipeg Aboriginal Sport Achievement Centre)
- CEDA (Community Education Development Association)
 - o Grade 8 and 9 students
 - After school homework support
 - Community outings
 - Awards and scholarships
 - o Cash incentives for participation

Community Awards

- CAP (Citizenship, Achievement Participation)
- Job Yellowhead
- CPAC

Mobile Vision Clinic

Immunization Clinic









