

École Riverview School

Community Report 2023-2024

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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 learners and staff of the Winnipeg School Division to be: **Engaged, Confident, Inspired, and Successful Learners.**

Mission Statement

We promote a respect for the right and dignity of others. It is our goal that each child, as an individual with diverse strengths, and cultural backgrounds, be given the means to fully realize their potential.



About Our School

École Riverview School is a thriving Dual Track School in the Fort Rouge neighborhood, within the boundaries of the Winnipeg School Division. Our school houses an English Language Program and growing French Immersion Program. Students who attend the school are immersed in French language learning within and beyond the classroom.

Our staff fosters a wholesome, healthy environment in which students are encouraged to always be kind, responsible and respectful. Our school has approximately 351 students from nursery to grade 6. It employs 20 teachers and 3 educational assistants, 3 custodial staff, 4 clinicians, 1 clerk, 1 Principal and 1 Vice-Principal.



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Highlights 2022-2023

Marathon of Hope

On October 7th 2023, École Riverview School held a Marathon of Hope at the neighboring Fisher Park. The event was held to honor the efforts of Terry Fox's original 1980 run. The aim continues to be about raising awareness and money for cancer research and treatment. Our School was able to donate \$655 to the Terry Fox Foundation because of our amazing community fundraising efforts. Students and teachers ran around the park with passports in hand and from station to station earned stamps as they crossed the country following Terry Fox's journey across Canada. Many students dedicated their run to someone in their lives affected by Cancer. Classroom activities centered around his legacy as well.



Bee Museum Creates a Buzz

Students and staff were busy bees on Friday, June 2, for Riverview's first ever student-led bee museum. Grade 2 and 3 Students created exhibits to share their learning with different stations exploring bee-themed subjects such as math, science, dance, and music. It was a swarm of black and yellow as both students and staff dressed in their finest bee-themed attire for this special event. The importance of bees was shared at each exhibit and students had an opportunity to taste various types of honey, touch and smell pollen and learn about how critical pollination is to our planet.



Interactive Agriculture Experience

The Seed Survivor mobile classroom visited Riverview on April 17, 2023. Seed Survivor educates students about growing plants and where food comes from. The 36-foot truck and trailer unit contains several multimedia and virtual reality games related to agriculture. The walls feature food growing facts, including information about the water cycle and photosynthesis. Presented in partnership with Agriculture in the Classroom Manitoba, Seed Survivor also includes a guided plant nutrient lesson, where students dig for fossils, study different soil types, and plant sunflower seeds to take home and grow.



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Priorities for 2022-2023

Priorities from the last year:

- Mental health and wellness practices for students and staff
- Library renewal.
- Continue work on Positive Behavioural Interventions and Supports, reinforcing common expectations and positive school climate with school wide training for staff and students.
- Through continued strengthening of professional learning communities, classroom teachers will develop short-term targets and goals for instruction with the support of the leadership team.
- Classroom teachers will review, reflect, and set new goals regularly.
- Math focus will continue to be Mental Math and Problem Solving with an increased focus on strategies.
- Continued focus on literacy with emphasis on reading and writing strategies.
- Encourage outdoor learning, ESD and of Outdoor Learning Space.
- Continue to use Mamàhtawisiwin: The Wonder We Are Born With, An Indigenous Education Policy Framework schoolwide as a pedagogical framework.

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Priorities for 2023-2024

Literacy and Numeracy

Prioritize uninterrupted literacy blocks to promote the acquisition of oral language skills, reading comprehension strategies and writing competencies for all students as well as to allow for efficient recovery learning. Utilize parallel tasks to advance all our students in Mathematics.

Mental Health

Foster a positive school climate by encouraging physical and mental health activities. Physical health strategies will include movement breaks, running and sports clubs. Encourage discussion about growth mindset to combat psychological stress due to uncertainty. Mindfulness strategies and other resilience building exercises will be used to empower the school community. We will continue to practice being K.I.N.D. (Keeping hands and feet to self; Increase knowledge; Nourish mind body and soul; Do our best, always.)

French Language and Culture

Continue to foster French language development through a variety of classroom and school-wide/grade specific pedagogical and cultural activities.

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Parent and Community Involvement

BB Camp

The highlight for most grade 5 and 6 students in 2023 will have been this year's iteration of the schools' biannual summer camp. Parent volunteers, teachers and students attended 3 days at BB Camp near Kenora, Ontario. The camp's mission was to provide a fun, supportive, and inclusive environment in which youth could explore, grow, and learn. Campers were provided opportunities to develop independence and teamwork, foster lasting friendships and strengthen their identities within a natural wilderness setting. Land based learning allowed students to explore and connect with the great outdoors and provided an opportunity to cultivate friendships, create lasting memories, develop environmental awareness and a connection to the land.



ERSPAC

École Riverview School boasts a large and active parent advisory council involved with many aspects of the decision-making process at the school level. Fundraising initiatives continue to enrich the lives of students at the school. The new play structure is in its third and final phase. The Parent Council has taken a role in the re-imagination and mise-à-jour of the library space. They have also undertaken a gardening and landscaping project to beautify the Maplewood entrance. The Parent Council manages a parent-led lunch program that provides supervision during the lunch hour and in conjunction with the school manages a junior leadership group which helps the lunch program run smoothly by providing older students the chance to help younger students make friends, learn and problem solve.



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