# École Stanley Knowles 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 current and future people learning and working within Winnipeg School Division to be: Engaged, Confident, Inspired, and Successful Learners.

#### **ÉSKS Vision**

Is one where we co-create a learning community where we engage in authentic learning and demonstrated Global Competencies with joy, passion, and curiosity.

#### **ÉSKS Mission**

Is one where we want to be at school to learn with each other every day. We have a voice, agency, and a sense of belonging.





### About our school

École Stanley Knowles School is a dual track school with over 750 students ranging from Nursery to Grade 8. We have 46 teachers, including 16 specialist teachers for Music, Physical Education, Visual and Performing Arts, Guidance, Learning Support, and Practical Arts. In addition, we have 18 educational assistants, 4 clerical staff and 6 custodial staff.

We provide French Immersion instruction for students in Kindergarten to Grade 8, as well as our Nursery to Grade 8 English program. We offer Practical Arts, as well as Performing Arts and Visual Arts to our Grades 7 & 8 students.

We are excited to host the WSD's first Punjabi Bilingual Program in September 2024. Beginning in September, we will be welcoming students from Kindergarten to Grade 2 who will be spending 50% of the school day learning the Punjabi language and culture. Each subsequent year, an additional grade level will be added.

## **Highlights**

- Assessippi Ski Trip
- · Bike Shop
- Bird's Hill Bike & Camping Trip
- Breakfast Program
- City of Winnipeg: Swimming Counts Program
- Classroom Community Presentations
- Clubs: Homework, GSA, ESD, Bike, E-sports
- Concours d'Art Oratoire
- ÉSKS Idol Talent Show
- Expo Science/Science Fair
- Festival du Voyageur school-wide activities
- Filipino Heritage Language Program
- GSA Club
- Gym Blasts
- Winnipeg Humane Society Visit
- Indigenous Learning at the outdoor garden
- Inner City Science Lab
- Intramurals and sports teams
- MMIWG Assembly and Honor Walk
- Mobile Vision Clinic
- Performing and Visual Arts
- Pollinator Garden Initiative
- Practical Arts: Graphics, Woods, Textiles,
- Provincial Boys Basketball Champions
- Remembrance Day Service
- Spring Fling and Community BBQ
- Sources of Strength
- STEAM Fair
- Student Leadership Team
- Student ESD Team & Composting
- Student-Led Morning Announcements
- Student Tech Crew
- Tibert et Douzie French Concert
- Truth and Reconciliation Assembly
- U of M Dental Outreach Program
- Various Field-trips: Assiniboine Park Zoo, Human Rights Museum, Manitoba Museum
- Winnipeg Harvest Food Drive
- Winter Concert















# Priorities for 2023-2024

Increased focus on Student-talk.

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To strengthen and enhance Education for Sustainable Development initiatives that address environment, social and economic issues worldwide.

Continue to improve awareness of wellness and mental health strategies to benefit all students and staff.







### Priorities for 2024-2025

We will achieve intentional and deep learning by increasing student and adult learners' engagement. Academic priorities include explicit math instruction and developing a school-wide literacy plan with a focus on writing.

- Active Learning: Incorporate activities that require learners to actively participate in discussions, problem-solving tasks, and group projects.
- Personalized Learning: Learning experiences to meet the individual needs, interests, and abilities of learners, using adaptive technologies and differentiated instruction.
- Relevance and Real-World Connections: Connect learning materials to real-world scenarios that are relevant to the learners' lives and future careers to increase motivation and engagement.
- Feedback and Assessment: Provide regular, constructive feedback and use formative assessments to guide learning and improve understanding.
- Collaborative Learning: Encourage collaboration through group work and peer-to-peer interactions, which can enhance understanding and engagement.
- Growth Mindset: Foster a growth mindset by encouraging learners to view challenges as opportunities for growth and emphasizing the value of effort and perseverance.
- Reflective Practices: Encourage learners to reflect on their learning processes and outcomes, helping them to develop metacognitive skills and a deeper understanding of the material.
- Engaging Content: Use diverse and engaging content, including hands-on and inquiry-based activities, to maintain interest and enthusiasm.
- Supportive Learning Environment: Create a supportive and inclusive learning environment where learners feel safe to express their ideas, ask questions, and take risks.

# Parent and community involvement

Parents play a vital role in our school. We have an active Volunteer program with various volunteer opportunities available in our school. We also have a Parent Advisory Council that meets each month.

Our PAC is involved in many activities that support our children through volunteering, and fundraising, and daily support. Our Parent Advisory Council also supports and runs our school Lunch Program.

The ÉSKS staff, parents, and community work collaboratively to ensure the best learning opportunities for our children.













