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## News Release

### **District Satisfaction Rates Continue to Climb**

For the second year in a row, results of the annual Edmonton Catholic School District survey show that 92 % of parents are satisfied with the quality of education their child is receiving in Edmonton Catholic Schools.

The surveys for the 2002 – 2003 school year were sent out in March to students and parents and this year a satisfaction questionnaire was developed and distributed to staff.

A total of 96 % of Grade 4 to 6 students are happy with their school, while 89 % of Grades 7 to 9 students, and 92 % of Grades 10 to 12 students are satisfied with the quality of education.

“This survey is extremely important in giving us a gauge on what we’re doing right as a district but also on any areas we need to improve,” said Charlie Koester, Board Chairperson.

There were several areas of the survey that showed increases in satisfaction from 2001 – 2002:

- A total of 87 % of parents are satisfied with their child’s access to technology in the school. This is up 2 % from last year.
- Over 90 % of parents are satisfied with their involvement in decisions affecting their child’s learning – this is an increase of almost 2.5 %.
- Almost 98 % of parents are pleased with the religious celebrations in their child’s school which is also up from 97 % last year.
- And 87 % of parents feel they are given information about financial decisions affecting their child’s school. This is an increase of 2 per cent.

The staff survey showed that 94 % of staff are satisfied that the Edmonton Catholic School District is a good place to work. Over 97 % of staff reported that their school had student achievement as its primary focus. And 97 % of staff also feel their school provides a safe environment for learning.

Additional information on the survey is attached.

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