



Report Card Gives District an Excellent Grade

The latest 'report card' from the province for Edmonton Catholic Schools shows numerous areas of continued strength and no areas identified for improvement. The provincial government releases Accountability Pillar reports each year that summarize a District's overall performance. In the May update of the Pillar for the 2008/09 school year, the provincial government did not identify any areas for improvement in the Edmonton Catholic School District; making this the second report in a row that did not identify any issues or concerns.

The Accountability Pillar focuses on three broad learning goals established by Alberta Education:

- High quality learning opportunities for all
- Excellence in learner outcomes
- Highly responsive and responsible jurisdiction

As part of the report, information is gathered from students and parents as well as teachers and also consists of results from the Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Examinations.

The Edmonton Catholic School District was given the following ratings:

- **Excellent** – in the areas of School Improvement, Citizenship, Transition Rate (6 yr) and Work Preparation,
- **Good** - in the areas of Safe and Caring Schools, Program of Studies, Education Quality, Drop out rate and High School Completion and Parental Involvement,
- **Good** – for Provincial Achievement and Diploma Examination Tests, as well as the Diploma Exam Participation Rate.

“These results reflect the great work and dedication of our staff in providing the supports necessary for all students to succeed, said Board Chairperson Debbie Engel.

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