



**PARKLAND**  
SCHOOL DIVISION



# Community Report

2022–2023



**Lorraine Stewart**  
BOARD CHAIR

**Shauna Boyce**  
SUPERINTENDENT & CEO

## VISION

Our students possess the confidence, resilience, insight and skills required to thrive in, and positively impact, the world.

## MISSION

We assure supportive learning environments, meaningful experiences and healthy relationships that create opportunities to develop resilience, to gain diversity in perspectives and to achieve enduring success.



# CHAIR & SUPERINTENDENT MESSAGE

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- We play a significant role in preparing children and youth for the rest of their lives. It is an honour to assume this responsibility and provide purposeful, essential, relevant, authentic and responsive learning opportunities to our students. From shifting educational trends and periods of flat provincial funding to the aftereffects of a global pandemic and an increased need for support, we have faced challenges. However, we are determined to provide timely solutions that work for our students and their families, which allows us to see a clear path forward, adapt and keep moving.

To help us along the way, we have a new three-year Education Plan. We are grateful to all the stakeholders who engaged with us. Their participation allowed Trustees and Division Administration to identify issues affecting families. We invite everyone to read the Parkland School Division (PSD) 2023–2026 Education Plan as it lays out the path to our **Ultimate Goal: Student Success and Well-being**.

We actively advocate for the needs of our Division, including school builds to address population needs, provincial funding for long-term planning, cooperation across government ministries, curriculum development and stability in learning. We also continue to address the need for additional wellness awareness with various projects, programs and initiatives.

At PSD, staff, students, families and community members are equal partners in education. We are proud of our contributions to student success and are grateful to all stakeholders for theirs. By working together, we can continue to provide every student with challenging and meaningful learning experiences in environments that nurture, value and welcome them.

**We invite you to explore our  
Education Plan. You can find it at  
[www.psd.ca/division/education-plan](http://www.psd.ca/division/education-plan).**

# WELCOME **ADCS**

Through a unique partnership in Treaty No. 8 Territory with the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation, Fort Chipewyan Métis and Mikisew Cree First Nation, Parkland School Division has assumed operation of Athabasca Delta Community School (ADCS) in Fort Chipewyan, Alberta. The Division is serving as the Interim Education Authority on a provisional basis while the three Nations work to form a Community Education Authority, at which time they will take over school operations.

Since assuming operations at ADCS (K–10), the Division has overseen finances, enrolment, staffing, school infrastructure, staff housing, technology and communication upgrades, programming and services for students. We also continue to build relationships with the community.

## **Programming**

### **HIGH SCHOOL**

PSD created a schedule that allows more flexibility and additional courses, including Career and Technology woodworking. Students also have access to the wealth of courses available through Connections For Learning.

### **LAND-BASED LEARNING**

This environmentally-focused learning is derived from the expertise and knowledge held by members of the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation, Fort Chipewyan Métis and Mikisew Cree First Nation. Land-based learning experiences at ADCS include:

- A chance to learn some of the skills needed to tan a real moose hide, as taught by an Elder/Knowledge Keeper.
- Support in going to Moose Camp for the opportunity to learn about trapping during the winter season.
- Dissection of muskrats and a talk about employment opportunities with Parks Canada after graduation.



## **Services for Students**

### **APPLE SCHOOLS**

The division received a maintenance grant from Apple Schools to support comprehensive school health at ADCS. Our Wellness Facilitator, ADCS Administration and School Health Lead will collaborate to promote health through the development and implementation of a comprehensive school health action plan.

### **DEVELOPING PARTNERSHIPS**

PSD has a partnership with community service providers to support students requiring speech, occupational and physical therapy. Collaboration between school-based and community supports strengthens the services available to students.

### **FOOD SECURITY**

The ADCS food program provides all students with a healthy breakfast, lunch and two snacks. The program is funded by Alberta Education, tuition agreements and support received from the Breakfast Clubs of Canada and Suncor Energy. The school employs two cooks to prepare the food, which is primarily sourced from the local K'ai Tailé Market.

### **HELPING HANDS PROJECT**

The division received a one-year grant for Mental Health Capacity Building from Alberta Health Services.

The funding will support the continuance of the Helping Hands project, which promotes emotional, mental and social well-being for children and families in Fort Chipewyan.

# PARTNERSHIP **TIMELINE**

## MAY 2022

PSD Executive Leadership Team invited to meet with delegates from Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation, Fort Chipewyan Métis, Mikisew Cree First Nation and Alberta Education.



## JUNE 2022

PSD accepts the request to act as Interim Education Authority for ADCS.



## JULY 2022

The Minister of Education issues Ministerial Order 011-2022, adjusting PSD's boundaries to include the Fort Chipewyan area.



## SEPTEMBER 1, 2022

The Ministerial Order comes into effect.



## SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

First day of school for ADCS.



■ Learn more at [adcs.psd.ca](https://adcs.psd.ca)





# MORE DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS

Our division is home to over 12,400 students across 23 schools and a number of alternative learning locations.

Emerging and continuing trends and issues in education from our current education plan include:

- A desire for continual progress toward belonging, equity and the promotion of anti-racism. The current education plan contains a new assurance element, which states, “Division staff will work towards understanding and eradicating current system inequities so that all staff and students feel they belong and are valued members of the community.”
- An essential need to improve the success and well-being of our First Nations, Métis and Inuit learners and to bring Indigenous knowledge into our teaching practices.
- A continued need to address students’ mental health concerns and improve workplace wellness.
- A response to the systemic revisions from the Government of Alberta to school transportation.

View the 2023–2026 Education Plan at [www.psd.ca/division/education-plan](http://www.psd.ca/division/education-plan).

## Student Growth and Achievement

In our Education Plan, the primary key domain in education is Student Growth and Achievement. This encompasses educational programs, experiences and strategies by which students meet their learning needs, interests, and aspirations, and progress towards learning outcomes. It focuses on academic achievement, well-being and intellectual engagement.

The table below is a sample of students’ recent results, as captured in our Annual Education Results Report (AERR).

Full details, results and context are provided in the AERR, which is available at [www.psd.ca/division/reports-and-publications](http://www.psd.ca/division/reports-and-publications).

Measure	Division-wide results		
	CURRENT YEAR	PREVIOUS YEAR	3-YEAR AVERAGE
Learning Engagement	82.3	82.3	n/a
Citizenship	73.7	76.0	73.8
High School Completion Rate (3 yr.)	80.0	82.4	80.7
High School Completion Rate (5 yr.)	83.4	86.7	86.2
Provincial Achievement Test: Acceptable	66.2	n/a	72.3
Provincial Achievement Test: Excellence	14.4	n/a	14.9
Diploma: Acceptable	81.2	n/a	87.2
Diploma: Excellence	15.3	n/a	19.6

## Westview School Opening in 2023–24

The Division eagerly anticipates welcoming students to Westview School for the start of the 2023–2024 year. The opening of Westview School is the culmination of the Stony Plain Central Replacement School Project, which began in 2018.

With construction complete, summer 2023 will see furniture and equipment delivered to the school, and existing teaching resources from the old school site relocated to the new school building.

The Board of Trustees unanimously approved the name Westview School from the recommendations put forth by the School Naming Committee. The Committee gathered recommendations and input through direct community engagement with staff, students, parents and the public.

Project information is available at [stonyplaincentral.psd.ca/about/replacement-school-project](http://stonyplaincentral.psd.ca/about/replacement-school-project).

The school’s website will shift to [westview.psd.ca](http://westview.psd.ca) over the summer.



# PROGRAMS OF CHOICE



## Safe Travels

At Parkland School Division, student safety is our top priority. We operate one of the largest student transportation systems in the province and are responsible for safely busing more than 7,000 student riders. Our regional transportation system serves not only our division but Evergreen Catholic Schools, other neighbouring jurisdictions and some local private schools.

We have upgraded onboard cameras to capture video of cars passing buses when their red lights are flashing. We are also exploring the use of extended stop arms that spread over the opposite lane of traffic, giving motorists an additional visual reminder to stop. We have two extended stop arms on routes that travel busy highways, and we are looking to obtain and install six more in the near future.

Bus drivers play an essential role in our system and operate over 150 routes that collectively travel more than 19,000 kilometres each school day. Transportation Services works closely with local contractors to ensure every PSD route has a driver; however, we are not immune to driver shortages. We continue to collaborate with contractors to address and limit gaps in our system.

The Bus Status app complements our continuous need for clear and timely communication. The free app is integrated with the Bus Status section of our website and provides up-to-the-minute school bus information to families.

To learn more about bus safety or to download the free Bus Status app, visit [www.psd.ca/transportation](http://www.psd.ca/transportation).

Alberta families have the right to choose the type of education they want for their children. At PSD, we offer a wide variety of educational programming that provides specialized, unique and exciting learning experiences that follow Alberta's programs of study.

- **Adult Education** (18+)
- **Building Futures** (Gr. 10, applied construction)
- **Core Program** (Gr. 1–9, combines core academics and either My PATH or parent-led learning)
- **French Immersion** (K–12)
- **Home Education** (Gr. 1–12)
- **Knowledge & Employability Courses** (Gr. 8–12)
- **My PATH: Core and Lite** (Gr. 1–9, blends wellness activities with a core academic schedule)
- **My PATH: Outdoor Pursuits** (K–9, emphasizes active living through activities and land-based learning)
- **Nature-based Kindergarten**
- **Off-Campus Education** (Gr. 10–12, helps students transition to post-secondary, trades or a job)
- **Outreach programming** (Gr. 7–9 and 10–12)
- **Parent Partnership** (Gr. 1–9, provides a modified school schedule and staff-supported homeschooling)
- **Parkland Student Athlete Academy** (Gr. 6–12)
- **PSD Christian Program** (K–9)
- **The Learning Hub** (Gr. 10–12, merges core curriculum with out-of-classroom learning)
- **Virtual Learning** (K–12)

Discover more at [www.psd.ca/programs](http://www.psd.ca/programs).



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## Executive Leadership Team



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- **Our administrative hub houses staff from various departments that provide support to learning sites across the division.**

## Business & Finance

Manages the development of timely and accurate financial reporting, payroll, purchasing and records management.

## Facilities Services

Provides solutions to maintaining and improving buildings and oversees custodial and maintenance services.

## Human Resources

Recruits and supports PSD employees—more than 1,270 in total, including 730 certificated teaching staff.

## Learning Services

Focuses on curriculum, student services, educational technology and issues resolution.

## Strategic Communications

Supports schools and staff through planning and evaluation, advertising and website services.

## Technology Services

Provides technical support through a team of computer technicians and database, network and cloud administrators.

## Transportation Services

Operates a regional student busing system that provides exceptional safety to all riders.



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# AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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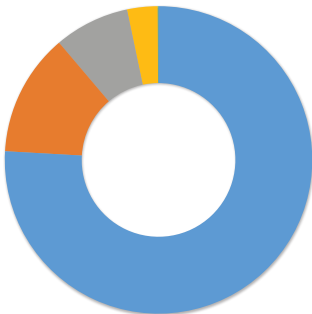
- **Parkland School Division allocates revenues in accordance with decision-making beliefs and guiding principles. As such, the vast majority of funding is sent directly to schools and distribution of funds is left to school-based leaders.**

**The following figures are for the year ended August 31, 2022.**

- Revenues over the previous year show an increase of \$2,319,092 (1.7%).
- Expenditures over the previous year show an increase of \$6,318,300 (4.8%).
- The cost of educating 11,944 students was \$136,933,097.
- \$104,331,469 (76.2%) of total funds, including Instruction, School Generated Funds and System Instruction, was spent directly on students in the classroom.
- The single largest classroom expenditure was for staff salaries and benefits. The average teaching cost was \$113,764 (\$103,772 excluding Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund costs). This accounted for 71.6% of all instructional expenses.
- The cost for Board and System Administration was below the cap of \$4,355,793 for a total of 3.0% of total expenditures (\$4,162,029).
- Expenditures to transport students to and from school amounted to \$10,735,850 (7.8% of expenditures).
- The cost of maintaining and operating our sites amounted to \$17,560,270 (12.8% of expenditures).
- The Division had budgeted a \$2 million deficit. The deficit for 2021–2022 was \$324,518 (0.238% of revenues). This deficit reduction is primarily due to schools operating conservatively with the uncertainty of substitute and support staffing costs due to COVID-19 and supply chain issues that prevented central and school purchases from being received in the 2021–2022 school year.
- The total accumulated surplus from operations is \$8,640,554. This includes \$647,362 from School Generated Funds and \$943,768 that is unrestricted.
- The Division spent \$17,581,599 to acquire capital assets during the year. Acquisitions included \$3,779,501 purchased by the Division and \$13,802,098 purchased by Alberta Infrastructure on PSD's behalf.
- The Division's capital reserves amount to \$5,444,616.
- Capital projects included the modernization of Woodhaven Middle School, the replacement school for Stony Plain Central School, modular classrooms for Prescott Learning Centre and Millgrove School, the Prescott Learning Centre playground and Capital Maintenance Renewal projects.

# AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

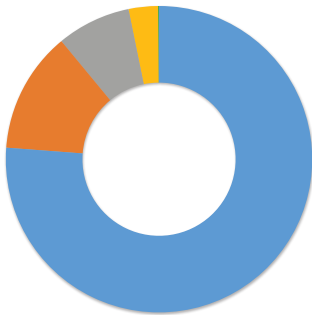
## Revenues



● Instruction	75.9 %
● Operations & Maintenance	12.9
● Transportation	7.9
● Board & System Administration	3.2
● External Services	0.1



## Expenses



● Instruction	76.2 %
● Operations & Maintenance	12.8
● Transportation	7.8
● Board & System Administration	3.1
● External Services	0.1



# OUR SCHOOLS

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**Athabasca Delta Community School (K-10)**

[adcs.psd.ca](http://adcs.psd.ca)

**Blueberry School (K-9)**

[blueberry.psd.ca](http://blueberry.psd.ca)

**Brookwood School (K-4)**

[brookwood.psd.ca](http://brookwood.psd.ca)

**École Broxton Park School (K-9)**

[broxtonpark.psd.ca](http://broxtonpark.psd.ca)

**Connections For Learning (1-12)**

[cfl.psd.ca](http://cfl.psd.ca)

**Copperhaven School (K-9)**

[copperhaven.psd.ca](http://copperhaven.psd.ca)

**Duffield School (K-9)**

[duffield.psd.ca](http://duffield.psd.ca)

**Entwistle School (K-9)**

[entwistle.psd.ca](http://entwistle.psd.ca)

**Forest Green School (K-6)**

[forestgreen.psd.ca](http://forestgreen.psd.ca)

**Graminia School (K-9)**

[graminia.psd.ca](http://graminia.psd.ca)

**Greystone Centennial Middle School (5-9)**

[greystone.psd.ca](http://greystone.psd.ca)

**High Park School (K-9)**

[highpark.psd.ca](http://highpark.psd.ca)

**Memorial Composite High School (10-12)**

[mchs.psd.ca](http://mchs.psd.ca)

**École Meridian Heights School (K-9)**

[meridianheights.psd.ca](http://meridianheights.psd.ca)

**Millgrove School (K-4)**

[millgrove.psd.ca](http://millgrove.psd.ca)

**Muir Lake School (K-9)**

[muirlake.psd.ca](http://muirlake.psd.ca)

**Parkland Village School (K-5)**

[parklandvillage.psd.ca](http://parklandvillage.psd.ca)

**Prescott Learning Centre (K-9)**

[prescott.psd.ca](http://prescott.psd.ca)

**Spruce Grove Composite High School (10-12)**

[sgchs.psd.ca](http://sgchs.psd.ca)

**Stony Plain Central School (K-9)**

[stonyplaincentral.psd.ca](http://stonyplaincentral.psd.ca)

**Tomahawk School (K-9)**

[tomahawk.psd.ca](http://tomahawk.psd.ca)

**Wabamun School (K-9)**

[wabamun.psd.ca](http://wabamun.psd.ca)

**Woodhaven Middle School (5-9)**

[woodhaven.psd.ca](http://woodhaven.psd.ca)

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