

Highlights of Accomplishments

In the late spring of 2001, the Board adopted its Three-Year Education Plan for 2001-2002 to 2003-2004. This Plan identifies goals, strategies, performance measures and priority areas of improvement. Following is a summary of accomplishments relative to the plan.

- Participation rates on Provincial Achievement Tests exceeded provincial rates in all cases.
- In the results based on number writing the Achievement tests we met or exceeded the provincial standard in 7 of the 10 exams. In the other 3 we were with 2.5 percentage points of the provincial achievement levels.
- In 4 of the diploma exam courses a marginally higher percentage of students (as compared to the province) achieved the acceptable standard. In 6 courses the percentage passing was marginally lower.
- Our diploma exam participation rate rose in 6 of the courses.
- Implemented a Safety Posters program in our schools.
- Continued with making a summer Work Experience program available for senior high students.
- Continued implementation of a technology plan to ensure greater student access to technology and achievement of ICT outcomes.
- Provided technology assistants in each school to enhance technology in our schools.
- Inserviced teacher assistants on behavior modification and Early Literacy so as to improve services to students.
- Piloted the "Effective Behavior Systems" program at Beaverlodge Elementary School.
- Completed the implementation of the Safe and Caring Schools Program.
- Provided counseling inservice to enhance services to students.
- Extended the STARS program to junior high students at Hythe Regional High.
- Continued support for a system School Council gathering comprised of representatives of all school councils.
- Formalized a Gifted/Enrichment program.
- Extended ESL support beyond the Hutterite Colony Schools to schools where this support was required.
- Inserviced teachers in Junior High Science and Mathematics 8.
- Extended the on-line program to grade eleven (11).
- Achieved positive results with the transfer of students from "paper and pencil" correspondence course to on-line courses offered by our teachers at the Peace Academy of virtual Education (PAVE).
- Trustees maintained their "visibility" though attending school council meetings, special school functions and such.

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- Continued with the implementation of ten very successful AISI projects focusing on enhancing services to students.
- Improved student achievement (based on those writing) on the provincial achievement test in Mathematics 6 and Social Studies 6 to surpass the provincial standard, consistent with the priority areas of improvement identified at in the 3-Year Plan.
- One fifth (20%) of our total grade 12 populations were recipients of the Alexander Rutherford Scholarships. Eighty-six (86) students from schools in Peace Wapiti were awarded a total of \$145,600.
- Maintained a high level of parent satisfaction (81%) with the quality of education their child is receiving.
- Continued with a communications campaign to keep our stakeholders informed. This is being accomplished through the local media, school newsletters and the extensive tabloid prepared internally twice a year.
- Strong parent satisfaction with the services for children with special needs.
- The renovation/modernization of Peace Wapiti Academy is nearing completion and will be ready for instruction by September of 2002.
- The Peace Wapiti high school completion rate has shown steady improvement, from a five year rate of 72% in 1988/99 to a projected rate of 77% for 2000/01.