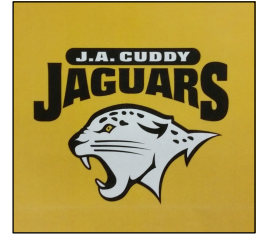




2016-2017 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



J. A. Cuddy School

ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

- K-8
- Enrollment - 161
- 9 multi-age classrooms
- Teaching staff of - 13
- Support staff of - 9
- Academics, Arts, and Athletics focused
- Culture of high expectations
- Literacy enriched
- Small group instruction
- Student Leadership focus
- Strengthening student connections and relationships through cross grade teams and activities
- Professional Learning Communities focused on continually improving student learning
- Partnership with parents and community

Red River Valley School Division Mission Statement

The Red River Valley School Division, with the support of families and communities, strives to provide a learning environment that will allow our student the opportunity to achieve to their highest potential in a global environment.

Red River Valley School Division Vision Statement

THAT EACH OF US WILL BE
LIFE LONG LEARNERS

School Mission/Vision Statement

J. A. Cuddy School is a vibrant school that fosters a nurturing environment where children are encouraged to investigate, create and discover. J. A. Cuddy School provides a learning environment that is kind, friendly, and academically challenging. At J. A. Cuddy School, we believe in challenging every student to reach their potential, to be the best that they can be.

2016 - 2017 School Priorities

J. A. Cuddy School had a school fire just before the start of the school year. The fire damaged 33% of the school. Students and staff were displaced from the entire building for 2.5 months. When students and staff were able to get back into the school only 66% of the school was accessible. The music room, Library, Resource, Guidance, Reading Recovery, and 3 classrooms were unavailable for the rest of the year.

The priorities of the school for the year were to ensure students were disrupted by fire and relocation as minimally as possible.

Library and reading programs were run from a cart which was updated weekly. Classroom libraries were expanded and enriched with donated and purchased books.

Music programs were also run from the classrooms, with full band practices running out of the gymnasium on Mondays and sectionals running out of a temporary trailer brought onto the property.

Guidance and Resource programming provided support through the co-teaching model and increasingly worked with teachers and students in the classrooms. Individual support was provided through the use of a temporary trailer brought onto the property.

With hard work from staff and community, student learning and school programming continued at the high level that J. A. Cuddy School is known for.

2016 - 2017 School Priorities cont.

Throughout the year staff worked toward the school goals set in the school plan.

1. *Students and staff will have a stronger understanding of the school's Vision, Beliefs, and Values.*
 - a. *Monthly activities were planned by staff to have K-8 cross grade teams celebrate school vision and beliefs*
2. *Continued focus on literacy & Numeracy assessment and pedagogy.*
 - a. *Teachers met in a professional learning community to examine student writing and developed a writing continuum and standards of writing for each grade.*
 - b. *A School wide focus on the reading and writing process was used to enhance teaching and learning.*
3. *Increase awareness and understanding of Education for Sustainable Development*
 - a. *The student/staff ESD team met to work with Greenspace Committee to plan the outdoor classroom and garden center.*
 - b. *School celebration were planned for Earth Day, World Water Day, Pink Shirt Day, Community Clean Up.*

2016 - 2017 School Celebrations

Arts

- K-4 Classroom Music Program, Grade 5 Guitar Program, Grade 6-8 Band Program
- Visual Arts Program K-8

Athletics

- J. A. Cuddy fielded teams in all the divisional sports. The school also added Cricket, Golf and Ultimate Frisbee to the sports that are offered to students.
- Intramural program to expose students to a variety of physical activities.

Citizenship

- Monthly cross grade celebrations
- Student council and Middle Years leadership program
- Indigenous artist workshop for historically accurate student created aboriginal drums
- Pink Shirt Day, Earth Day Activities, World Water Day Celebrations, Community clean up

Co-Curricular Activities

- Art club, Photography club, Lego Club, Robotics club, Mini sticks hockey club, Games club, Yoga Club

Plans for 2017 – 2018 School Year

Numeracy

1. By June 2018, 85% of students will be able to write a word problem to match an operation.
2. By June 2018, 95% of students will have mastery of required basic facts.

Literacy

1. By June 2018, 95% of students will read and demonstrate comprehension of grade appropriate material.
2. Staff will pilot and participate in professional development on the new ELA curriculum.

Sustainable Development

1. Increase awareness and understanding of Education for Sustainable Development.
2. Grade 7/8 students will plan and lead activities for the younger students as well as participate in at least 20 hours of local and global sustainability acts.