

WESTGLEN EDUCATION PLAN 2020 - 2021



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About Us...

There are 259 Westglen Wildcats, in Grades 5-8. Our school prides itself on being a quality learning environment, with a focus on improving literacy for all students. Thanks to a team focus, teachers are able to monitor the progress of their students more closely and work together to develop strategies to help all students learn.





MISSION: Westglen school will engage every student in meaningful learning by challenging, encouraging and believing in them in a **middle school** setting.

VISION: Westglen School will be universally recognized as a collaborative middle school learning community where learning is personalized for all students to achieve success as compassionate and innovative global citizens.



School Goals

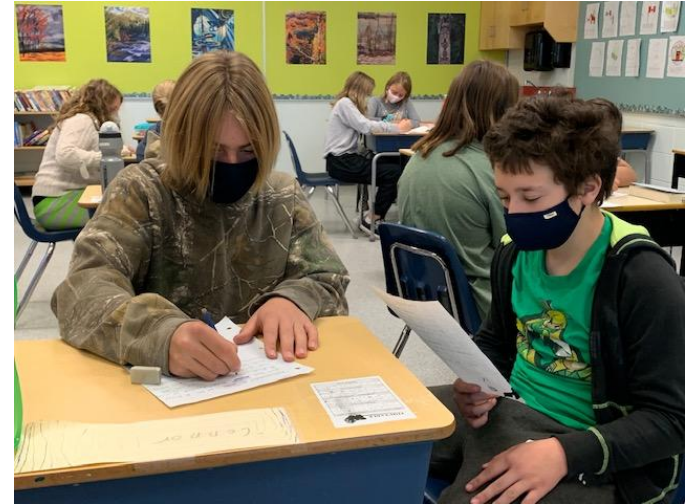
GOAL #1 Literacy - 93% of students' instructional reading level will be within the universal range when they leave grade 8.

GOAL #2 Academic Excellence - 100% of students will achieve all essential outcomes.



Our Framework

Literacy instruction draws on the research of [Dr. Richard Allington](#). Teachers are directly teaching the reading skills and strategies that students need in all subject areas. Teachers are building their skills in identifying areas of growth for students.



Our Framework

Social Emotional Skills



There are a number of initiatives happening at Westglen that seek to support the positive development of social skills, emotional growth and positive mental health. The YES Team and Family School Wellness take the lead in this area. Many special presenters and programs are delivered in order to build capacity and resiliency.



Our Programs



Band, Home Ec, Shop, Computer Coding and Outdoor Education complementary courses provide our students with a place to be creative and explore non-academic areas of study.



Volunteering

The energy and enthusiasm of our students makes them great volunteers. With adult supervision, Wildcats run the Breakfast Program, Library Club, Wildcat Cafe, Noon Hour Office Help, Celebration Assemblies and Leadership. Student athletes help with the Lions Food Drive and we are very proud of everyone's willingness to volunteer.



What Makes Us Unique

Athletics - Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton and Track & Field are all very popular at Westglen. It is important that our students be given as many opportunities as possible to be active!

Fine Arts - Jazz Band meets twice a week in the mornings and we always look forward to their performances. The Drama Club meets weekly and treats us to a play each spring.

YES Team - Lunch hour drop in activities or after school programs give students time to socialize and have fun. During the day, the YES Youth mentors deliver social skills programs to classes.



We Are Proud Of...

Collaborative
Culture

Social
Emotional
Learning

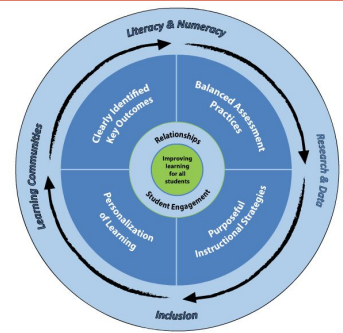


Literacy Vital
Actions

Relationships



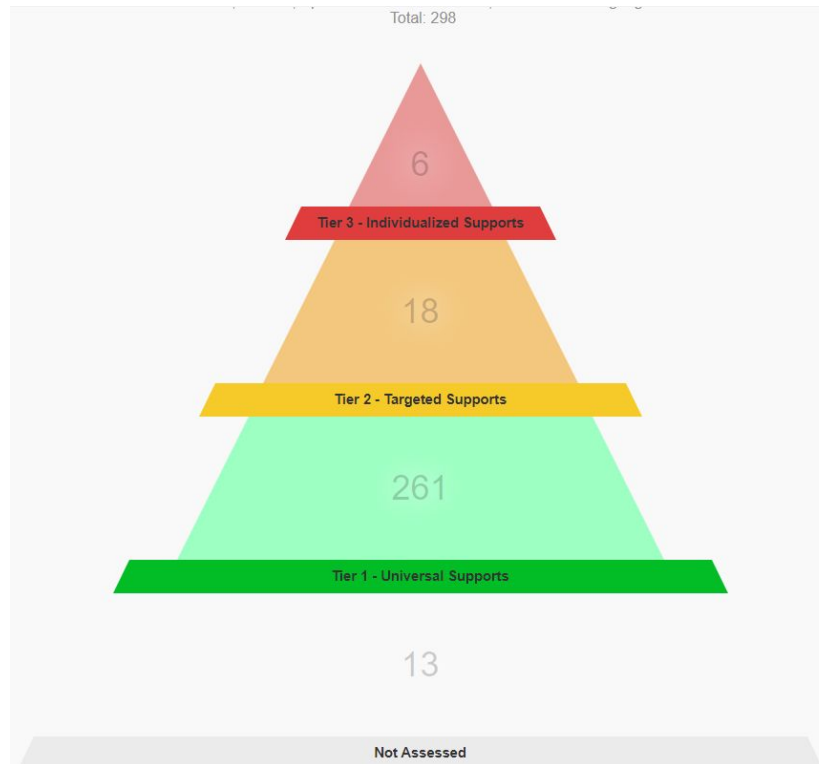
**Success
for all
learners**



Results and Data

Student Reading Data 2019-20

- 92% universal supports
- Grade 5
 - ▷ 93% universal
- Grade 6
 - ▷ 90% universal
- Grade 7
 - ▷ 95% universal
- Grade 8
 - ▷ 90% universal



Accountability Pillar Survey Results

Accountability Pillar Overall Summary
3-Year Plan - May 2020
School: 5107 Westglen School



Measure Category	Measure	Westglen School			Alberta			Measure Evaluation		
		Current Result	Prev Year Result	Prev 3 Year Average	Current Result	Prev Year Result	Prev 3 Year Average	Achievement	Improvement	Overall
Safe and Caring Schools	Safe and Caring	88.8	88.0	88.1	89.4	89.0	89.2	Very High	Maintained	Excellent
Student Learning Opportunities	Program of Studies	69.0	64.2	73.4	82.4	82.2	82.0	Low	Maintained	Issue
	Education Quality	90.2	88.0	88.1	90.3	90.2	90.1	Very High	Maintained	Excellent
	Drop Out Rate	*	*	n/a	2.7	2.6	2.7	*	*	*
	High School Completion Rate (3 yr)	n/a	n/a	n/a	79.7	79.1	78.4	n/a	n/a	n/a
	PAT: Acceptable	90.1	83.7	79.2	73.8	73.6	73.6	Very High	Improved	Excellent
Student Learning Achievement (Grades K-9)	PAT: Excellence	24.3	22.6	17.5	20.6	19.9	19.6	High	Improved	Good
	Diploma: Acceptable	n/a	n/a	n/a	83.6	83.7	83.1	n/a	n/a	n/a
Student Learning Achievement (Grades 10-12)	Diploma: Excellence	n/a	n/a	n/a	24.0	24.2	22.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Diploma Exam Participation Rate (4+ Exams)	n/a	n/a	n/a	56.4	56.3	55.6	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate	n/a	n/a	n/a	66.6	64.8	63.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Transition Rate (6 yr)	n/a	n/a	n/a	60.1	59.0	58.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
Preparation for Lifelong Learning, World of Work, Citizenship	Work Preparation	73.7	85.7	80.9	84.1	83.0	82.7	Intermediate	Maintained	Acceptable
	Citizenship	77.6	76.0	79.1	83.3	82.9	83.2	High	Maintained	Good
Parental Involvement	Parental Involvement	71.9	78.9	73.2	81.8	81.3	81.2	Low	Maintained	Issue
Continuous Improvement	School Improvement	78.9	84.0	82.2	81.5	81.0	80.9	High	Maintained	Good

Responses: Students = 206 Teachers = 14 Parents = 11



Focal Points - 2020

Successes to Celebrate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Continue to build on strong PAT results from 2018-2019.- Safe and Caring results show that our measures are improving, and that the vast majority of students feel that they are safe at school and that their teachers care about them.
Areas for Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Safe and Caring: Concern among students of not being treated well by other students.- Program of Studies: we have not been able to offer French Art for the last several years. With COVID restrictions we have had to limit our option choices further for the time being.



Provincial Achievement Test Results

The June 2020 Provincial Achievement Tests were cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic school closures. Below are our most recent results from the previous year.

PAT RESULTS - June 2019

ACCEPTABLE				EXCELLENCE		
	Westglen (%)	Province (%)	+/- (%)	Westglen (%)	Province (%)	+/- (%)
LA	85	76	+9	31	25	+6
Math	88	72	+16	7	15	-8
Social	96	83	+15	21	18	+3
Science	91	77	+14	38	30	+8



Trends and Challenges

Safe & Caring Schools - increasingly, students are reporting conflict with others and their parents are echoing their concerns. In addition, the COVID-19 pandemic has led to increased mental health concerns. Working with our Family School Wellness worker and the YES team, we will continue to address the social-emotional needs of our students.



Parent & Community Involvement



Lions Food Drive...
Pancake Breakfast...
Turkey Dinner...
Remembrance Day...

Band
Concerts...Assemblies...Special
Presenters...Coaching...

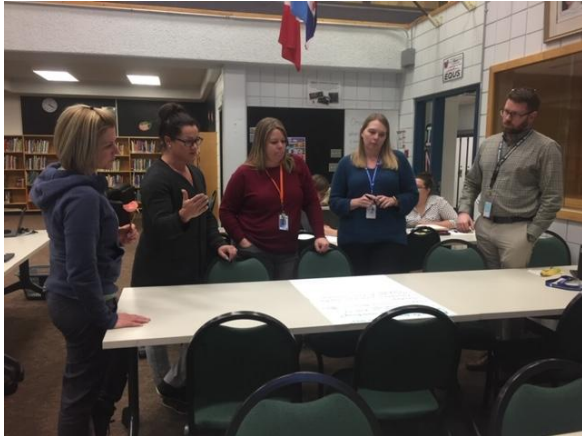


Golf Tournament...
Parent Advisory
Council...Breakfast
Program...



What You Should Remember About Us!

COLLABORATIVE TEAMS



MIDDLE SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY



RESEARCH-INFORMED LITERACY INSTRUCTION

