

We all want our students to be successful. That's why we need to hear from you.

Our education system must know what is working well and where there is room for improvement. The results of our Assurance Survey give everyone important information and evidence about the quality of your child's education. It assures us all that schools are moving in the right direction. It also helps our schools show their parents, their communities and the province that they are meeting the needs of your child.

I know this year is different. COVID-19 has meant new challenges to deal with – including in our schools. I'd like to thank families, students, teachers and staff for their efforts and flexibility during this unusual time. Health rules, and moving to and from at-home learning, have led to changes in routine and the way parents engage with schools. That's why it is more important than ever to hear from you.

I hope you take the time to complete this survey. My commitment is to listen to what you have to say. Your voice will help shape the future of education in Alberta.

Thank you.

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Adriana LaGrange Minister of Education

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Please complete the survey by April 23, 2021.

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Further details on the Assurance Survey and how it is used.

Alberta Education's Assurance Framework provides the basis for accountability and public assurance in the Kindergarten to Grade 12 education system. To support the framework, the provincial government collects survey data on behalf of schools and school authorities to assess our learning goals as schools, school authorities and as a provincial government. The survey results are combined with those from other measures to provide key information about how the education system is doing.

Results show which measures have improved, which have remained constant and which have declined. It allows everyone – parents, teachers, school authorities, students and the province – to celebrate successes and respond to challenges together.

Schools and school authorities are expected to share their results and plans for improvement with the community so they can review them. At a glance, the results point out successes and areas of concern from both a local and provincial perspective.

The provincial assurance measures include:



Survey results. Every year between February and March, we survey students, their parents and teachers to see how they perceive the quality of education they receive and take part in.



Student learning indicators such as high school completion rates.



Student results from Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Examinations.

Details about the assurance measures and how to obtain results are available online at www.alberta.ca/accountability-education-system.aspx

If you have a concern about your school that is not addressed in this survey, please consider contacting your school or school authority directly for further discussion.

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