# Staff Report



#### February 11, 2025

Re	Secondary Schools – Strategic Plan Progress Report
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То	Board of Education

This report is presented to the Board of Education for information.

#### BACKGROUND:

One of the key strategic pillars for the Abbotsford School District is Student Success, where we demonstrate that students are our priority by preparing and challenging them to a lifetime of success through engaging and innovative learning experiences. Secondary schools fulfil this commitment through the creation of safe and nurturing spaces that empower intellectual, social and emotional growth. We foster collaborative practices that uplift and empower student voice and agency and support a positive school community with students, staff, and families.

The work at secondary schools is important as it attends to our students' pathway toward high school graduation and focuses on preparing our graduates for success beyond grade 12. Deputy Superintendent Nathan Ngieng will provide a report to the Board of Education highlighting the strategic work in our secondary schools and the plans underway to support the success of our students.



# **Secondary** Progress Report: 2023/24

Nathan Ngieng February 11, 2025



Our Department & Strategic Focus



# About Our Department

- 5 Secondary Schools
- 2 Middle/Secondary Schools
- 1 Alternative Education School
- 1 Provincial Online Learning School

"Supporting leadership teams to build a worldclass, innovative and individualized educational experience for every secondary student."



#### Strategic Plan Pillar Connected to Our Work...



# Student Success

Our students will be engaged, challenged, and prepared for a lifetime of success.

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Engaging

# Optimized Resources

We will be creative and responsible in the management of our educational resources. We will provide engaging opportunities for every member of our organization to contribute to student success.

**Opportunities** 



Progressive Workforce

We will provide a workplace that fosters creativity, inspires excellence, and challenges everyone to embrace growth.

# Looking Back: 2023/24 School Year



#### **OBJECTIVE:**

#### Increase student success in literacy



- Explore classroom strategies to prepare students for the provincial literacy assessments
- Tracking and reporting student final marks in English courses

### Data Highlights: Grade 10 Provincial Literacy & Grade 10 Final Grades

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
All Students	69/73	69/73	75/75	70/73	68/71
Indigenous Students	59/53	59/53	66/56	50/54	53/52
Diverse Learners	33/55	34/52	49/56	46/54	43/52
All Students	NA	74	72	71	71
Indigenous Students	NA	62	50	49	50
Diverse Learners	NA	55	46	47	45

### Data Highlights: Grade 12 Provincial Literacy & Grade 12 Final Grades

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Grade 12 **district av			
All Students	78/79	73/77	78/na
Indigenous Students	64/60	57/59	70/na
Diverse Learners	60/63	39/61	56/na
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All Students	72	73	73
Indigenous Students	63	64	60
Diverse Learners	57	52	54

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

#### Increase student success in numeracy



- Explore classroom strategies to prepare students for the provincial numeracy assessment
- Tracking and reporting student final marks in Math courses

### Data Highlights: Numeracy (percentage proficient or higher)

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Grade 10 Provincial Numeracy Assessment <pre>**district average/provincial average (percentages)</pre>					
All Students	32/40	29/38	38/46	34/45	33/43
Indigenous Students	29/18	19/20	21/24	23/24	19/22
Diverse Learners	26/30	10/28	14/32	18/31	22/27
All Students	NA	70	62	61	64
Indigenous Students	NA	60	47	49	53
Diverse Learners	NA	57	43	52	50

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

#### Improve Student Wellbeing



#### **ACTIVITIES:**

- Student Voice
- Social-emotional learning strategies in classrooms
- Leadership that emphasizes the importance of creating and maintaining a classroom environment that is caring, inclusive and supportive (Teaching Competencies)

### Data Highlights: Student Wellbeing

	Do you feel welcome at your school?	Do you feel safe at school?	Is school a place where you feel like you belong?	At school, do you respect people who are different from you?			
Ministry Student Learning Survey **district average/provincial average (percentages)							
All Students	68/68	76/77	55/53	83/83			
Indigenous Students	61/61	NA	36/45	79/79			

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

Increase the percentage of students who graduate with options and purpose

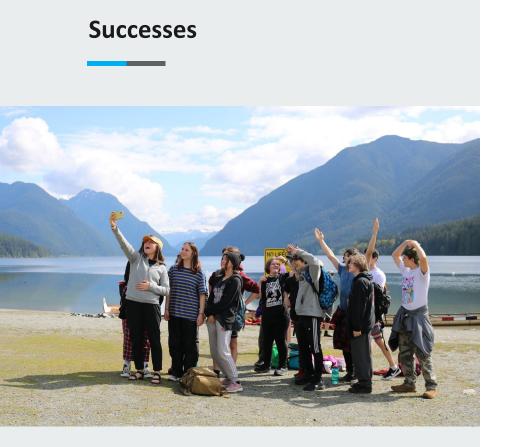


#### **ACTIVITIES:**

- Eligible grad cohort tracking and support
- Connecting teachers with UFV professors (Math & Science departments)
- Indigenous grad cohort tracking and support
- Spring Break & Summer camp for Indigenous grade 12 students
- Communications planning for Careers Department

## Data Highlights: Graduation

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
All Students	91/90	93/90	93/91	93/92	92/91
Indigenous Students	69/71	86/73	78/75	82/74	84/76
Diverse Learners	66/74	77/75	72/78	75/77	71/78
All Students	96	96	98	96	97
Indigenous Students	90	94	97	98	96
Diverse Learners	94	97	97	94	96



- Supporting student agency through a community of practice approach
- Innovative and engaging programs in our schools (IB at Abby Senior, School of Business and Science at Hansen, etc.)
- Communicating school progress with school community through activities and evidence on school websites
- UFV connections with the Math and Science departments

### **Emerging Areas of Need**



- Continued refinement of the school planning process
- Secondary reporting: ongoing implementation and refinement
- Addressing flat results in provincial literacy & numeracy assessments
- Ongoing leadership recruitment and development
- Exploration of post secondary partnerships and career path opportunities

# Looking Ahead: 2024/25 School Year



#### **Future Plans**



- Continuing Student Voice community of practice
- Focus on a culture of reading
- Continuing our secondary assessment collaborative inquiry
- Increasing participation in the Ministry's Student Learning Survey
- Post Secondary partnership opportunities

#### **Future Plans**



#### **Parent Engagement:**

- Common Practices Across Secondary
  - Newsletters
  - Open House/Meet the Teacher
  - School Website/Social Media
  - Grad Events i.e. Dry Grad
  - School Performances/Events
  - Grade 8 Parent Night
  - PAC
- Highlights
  - Indigenous Family Gathering -Bakerview
  - Elders Teas Bakerview
  - Celebration of Learning Rick Hansen

#### **Future Plans**



#### **Extracurricular:**

- Establishing baseline data for participation in BC School Sports
- District support for sport association fees and extracurricular transportation
- District support of teams competing at provincial championships
- Establish baseline data for secondary club participation
  - Currently, over 75 clubs offered at our secondary schools

Thank you.

# **Questions?**



