

## **Supporting students towards success**

### **A Message from the Superintendent**

This month's newsletter theme of 'Assessment' provides a perfect opportunity to share our pride in the accomplishments and resilience of our students and staff.

Chinook's Edge takes great pride in telling the story of our student success, even at this time when the pandemic has disrupted traditional assessment measures. This year we have been focused on determining what each of our students need from us to be successful in the next steps of their learning journey. Our teachers and school staff are working tirelessly to address the impact of three consecutive years of learning disruptions. We are funneling our energy to ensure students have reached the essential outcomes and achieved the skills that are critical for their success at the next course level. Our teachers are experts in identifying, intervening and providing the supports a student may need.

The signs of success this year are not necessarily coming from test results and provincial assessments. They are seen in the caring relationships we have maintained with students, in the determination we share to respond to student needs, and in the fact that we have kept kids in school for the majority of the pandemic. We will get back to traditional measures of student success, with the strength of our caring culture and quality learning in Chinook's Edge, and we will get there quickly.

For now, parents of Grades 5-12 students can see their child's progress 24/7 through the PowerSchool app and all parents are encouraged to connect with your child's teacher to fully understand how they are doing.

As we work together toward student success and achievement, we would love to hear from you! In this month's [parent survey](#), we invite you to share a brief story about how a teacher, administrator or other school staff made a difference for your child.

**Kurt Sacher**  
**Superintendent of Schools**

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