CANADIAN ROCKIES

AERR SUMMARY 2020 - 2021

CANADIAN ROCKIES SCHOOL DIVISION

Our Vision – Creating a better world through transformational education that celebrates nature, diversity, and well being.

Our Mission – Inspiring the hearts and minds of every student.

Fast Facts

Canadian Rockies School Division (CRSD) covers a large geographical area and serves the communities of Banff and Canmore; Villages of Exshaw and Harvie Heights; Hamlets of Kananaskis, Lac Des Arcs, Dead Man's Flats and Lake Louise; and part of the MD of Bighorn and portions of IDs No. 5, 8, and 9.

- Enrolment 2055 students
- Approximately 273 First Nation's students
- 44 international students
- 7 schools
- 141 full and part-time teachers
- Approximately 58 support staff
- ❖ A wide variety of programs including:
 - Academics, fine arts, athletics, French immersion, nature immersion, dual credit, outdoor leadership, flexible learning programs and international student opportunities



Our Students

- On the new pilot measure of student learning engagement, 85.4% of teachers, parents and students agreed that students are engaged in their learning at school
- A COVID-19 Readiness Plan was created in order to receive approval for international students to arrive in our division.
- The Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre designed and implemented curriculum-based outdoor experiential programming for all Grades throughout the division.
- CRSD collaborated with multiple school districts to provide additional course and program opportunities for CRSD students as well as students from other districts.
- A Growth Mindset Program was offered to students through Right From the Start to support mental health, student motivation, perseverance and positive thinking
- CRSD staff worked with Indigenous families, along side Elders and Knowledge Keepers for ongoing guidance and support finding creative ways to deliver land-based learning opportunities for cohorts/classes of students; keeping students engaged and learning in a culturally relevant, safe outdoor environment.
- Grocery cards were made available to support the most vulnerable families in the division

Our Staff

- Recognizing the need to support staff mental health during a difficult school year, a halfday was designated for staff wellness.
- Through a partnership with the PAUW Foundation, a divisional psychologist was hired for the division.
- Multiple paths for learning, both synchronous and asynchronous, became more accessible to staff, along with flexible funding such as The Lifelong Learning Professional Development Fund.
- During professional learning release time, division-wide grade teams met virtually to align key grade-level outcomes, for both inclass and at-home learning, in order to ensure consistency and flexibility.





Stakeholder Engagement

- CRSD conducted a broad survey of all stakeholders (Parents/Community, Staff and Students) to inform the creation of the new Four-Year Education Plan for 2021-2025
- Top 3 priorities that emerged were Health and Wellness, Engaged Learning and Student Supports
- Parents' top response indicated excellent communication from the Board, schools and the Superintendent
- Students' top response indicated their appreciation for staff who are very supportive, caring, dedicated and flexible.
- Teachers' top response indicated the sense of community within CRSD. Teachers appreciate collaboration, communication, professional learning communities, colleagues and administration.
- In the area of Supports and Services, all stakeholders agreed that students have access to the appropriate supports and services at school compared to the provincial average.
- CRPS has put together a team of mental health and well-being supports that are available for students across the Division. These include (4) school counsellors; a Divisional Family School Liaison Counsellor, a Family and School Wellness Worker, (5) Right from the Start AHS Mental Health Capacity Building Program Team, (2) Success Teachers, (1) Divisional Psychologist and (1) contracted psychologist. This highly trained team works collaboratively within schools and across schools to provide a continuum of preventative, remedial and intervention services.



Flexible Learning

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- CRSD believes offering students choice in not only course offerings but also in the method of delivery is important.
- Work from anywhere; at your own pace; register for a single course or multiple online courses.
- CRSD collaborated with multiple school districts to allow for additional course and program opportunities for CRSD students and beyond
- The Program allows for increased distance education connections and flexibility for students
- Currently 50 locally supported courses available to CRSD students and distance education students from outside CRSD
- CRSD continues to look for post-secondary partnerships
- Approved distance education courses available to students in Grades 10-12 and students who have completed Grade 9 and are entering Grade 10.
- ❖ Visit the <u>CRPS website</u> for more details.



Additional Financial Information

Audited Financial Statements

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