

# Tomahawk School <br> Parkland School Division Provincial Achievement Tests Summary Results Report 2017-2018 



Some considerations:
Grade 9 results indicated significant growth in most subjects, especially Science 9:

- Grade 9 students exceeded both the Province and the Division in Acceptable Standard scores in Science by $13.9 \%$ and $12.7 \%$, respectively.
- $26.4 \%$ more Grade 9 students achieved the Acceptable Standard score in Science 9 in comparison to the previous year, and $11.1 \%$ of students attained the Standard of Excellence.
- In English Language Arts 9, our students exceeded last year's score for Acceptable Standard by 4.2\%.
- Social Studies 9 has continued to improve and scores increased by $5.6 \%$ in Acceptable Standard.
- Grade 9 students achieved growth in the Acceptable Standard in all subjects, except Mathematics.


## Grade 6 results indicated significant growth in Science:

- Focused attention to science instruction has helped to support growth in this area. Grade 6 students exceeded our previous year's score by $28.5 \%$ with $71.4 \%$ of students achieving Acceptable Standard. Also, $14.3 \%$ of students achieved the Standard of Excellence, which is an increase of $14.3 \%$ from last year.


## Growth in Math and English Language Arts continue to be a main priority for Tomahawk School:

- Although school growth was indicated in most subject areas of Acceptable Standard for Grade 9, Mathematics 9 scores declined by $16.7 \%$ from the previous year, indicating a need to increase focus on improving our student success rate in Acceptable Standard in this area for Grade 9.
- Grade 6 Mathematics continues to remain an area of concern, in which we aim to reduce our gap in Acceptable Standard ( $28.6 \%$ of Tomahawk students reached the Acceptable Standard, while 68.0\% of students throughout the Division met this same criteria). That said, one student was exempt from the assessment or $20 \%$ of our calculated score, and as a result, a score of $0 \%$ was factored into our school results for Grade 6 Mathematics.
- Although we improved by $5.6 \%$ in Acceptable Standard in Grade 9 English Language Arts, this area will remain a focus for us as we strive to reduce our gap in the Acceptable Standard ( $66.7 \%$ of Tomahawk students reached the Acceptable Standard, while 78.0\% of students throughout the Division met this same criteria).
- Grade 6 students declined by 14.3\% in English Language Arts and 12.1\% lower in Acceptable Standard then the Province.

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| Successes |  | Challenges |  |
| School Growth | School Exceeds Province | Province Exceeds School | School Decline |
| Standard of Excellence <br> - Science 6 (+14.3) <br> Acceptable Standard <br> - Science 6 (+28.5) <br> - Science 9 (+26.4) <br> - Social 9 (+5.6) <br> - ELA 9 (+4.2) | Acceptable Standard <br> - Science 9 (+13.9) | Standard of Excellence <br> - Social Studies 6 (+23.7) <br> - Social Studies 9 (+21.6) <br> - ELA 6 (+17.6) <br> - Science 6 (+16.9) <br> - ELA 9 (+14.7) <br> - Math 9 (+14.5) <br> - Math 6 (+13.5) <br> - Science 9 (+13.3) <br> Acceptable Standard <br> - Math 6 (+43.3) <br> - Math 9 (+24.7) <br> - Social Studies 6 (+17.8) <br> - ELA 6 (+12.1) <br> - Social Studies 9 (+10.4) <br> - ELA 9 (+9.4) <br> - Science 6 (+7.0) | Standard of Excellence <br> - Social Studies 9 (-25.0) <br> - ELA 9 (-12.5) <br> - Science 9 (-1.4) <br> Acceptable Standard <br> - ELA 6 (-14.3) <br> - Math 6 (14.3) <br> - Social Studies 6 (-14.3) |

## PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

The great majority of Parkland School Division students write the Provincial Achievement Tests. Participation rates are helpful at understanding performance standards that are based on all students enrolled. +/- Represents the change in performance from previous year

| Subject | ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Standard |  | Alberta |  | Par | School |  |  | omah | Scho |  |
|  | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | +/- |
| Acceptable | 82.9 | 82.5 | 83.5 | 85.2 | 84.2 | 84.9 | 50.0 | 85.7 | 71.4 | -14.3 |
| Excellence | 20.4 | 18.9 | 17.9 | 15.9 | 15.2 | 13.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2018 Participation amount by percentage of students |  |  |  |  | Alberta |  | PSD |  | Tomahawk |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 90.6\% |  | 94.7\% |  | 100.0\% |  |


| Subject | MATHE | TICS 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Standard |  | Alberta |  | Par | d School |  |  | omah | Scho |  |
|  | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | +/- |
| Acceptable | 71.4 | 68.4 | 71.9 | 69.7 | 62.4 | 68.0 | 50.0 | 42.9 | 28.6 | -14.3 |
| Excellence | 13.8 | 12.3 | 13.5 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 16.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
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| 2018 Participation amount by percentage of students |  |  |  |  | Alberta |  | PSD |  | Tomahawk |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 90.5\% |  | 94.2\% |  | 71.4\% |  |


| Subject | SCIENC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Standard |  | Alberta |  |  | d Schoo |  |  | omah | Scho |  |
|  | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | +/- |
| Acceptable | 77.6 | 76.6 | 78.4 | 79.2 | 76.3 | 78.0 | 66.7 | 42.9 | 71.4 | +28.5 |
| Excellence | 27.7 | 29.5 | 31.2 | 19.1 | 23.5 | 23.1 | 16.7 | 0.0 | 14.3 | +14.3 |
|  |  |  |  | 2018 Participation amount by percentage of students | Alberta |  | PSD |  | Tomahawk |  |
|  |  |  |  | 90.3\% | 94.6\% |  | 100.0\% |  |


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| Standard |  | Alberta |  |  | d Schoo |  |  | omah | Schoo |  |
|  | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | +/- |
| Acceptable | 71.1 | 72.6 | 74.9 | 69.7 | 70.7 | 73.6 | 50.0 | 71.4 | 57.1 | -14.3 |
| Excellence | 22.6 | 22.4 | 23.7 | 14.0 | 18.1 | 16.7 | 16.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2018 Participation amount by percentage of students |  |  |  |  | Alberta |  | PSD |  | Tomahawk |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 90.1\% |  | 94.8\% |  | 100.0\% |  |


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| Standard |  | Alberta |  | Par | d Schoo |  |  | omah | Schoo |  |
|  | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | +/- |
| Acceptable | 77.0 | 76.8 | 76.1 | 72.7 | 75.1 | 78.0 | 76.9 | 62.5 | 66.7 | +4.2 |
| Excellence | 15.2 | 14.9 | 14.7 | 9.3 | 10.7 | 9.6 | 0.0 | 12.5 | 0.0 | -12.5 |
| 2018 Participation amount by percentage of students |  |  |  |  | Alberta |  | PSD |  | Tomahawk |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 88.9\% |  | 93.9\% |  | 100.0\% |  |


| Subject | MATHE | ATICS 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Standard |  | Alberta |  | Par | d Scho |  |  | omah | Schoo |  |
|  | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | +/- |
| Acceptable | 66.7 | 66.2 | 58.0 | 60.9 | 63.3 | 58.3 | 46.2 | 50.0 | 33.3 | -16.7 |
| Excellence | 17.2 | 18.7 | 14.5 | 12.0 | 15.3 | 10.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
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| 2018 Participation amount by percentage of students |  |  |  |  | Alberta |  | PSD |  | Tomahawk |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 88.2\% |  | 93.4\% |  | 100.0\% |  |


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| Standard |  | Alberta |  |  | Scho |  |  | omah | Schoo |  |
|  | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | +/- |
| Acceptable | 73.5 | 73.2 | 75.0 | 70.3 | 70.4 | 76.2 | 61.5 | 62.5 | 88.9 | +26.4 |
| Excellence | 22.5 | 21.3 | 24.4 | 15.7 | 15.9 | 20.2 | 0.0 | 12.5 | 11.1 | -1.4 |
|  |  |  |  | 2018 Participation amount by percentage of students | Alberta |  | PSD |  | Tomahawk |  |
|  |  |  |  | 89.1\% | 93.7\% |  | 100.0\% |  |


| Subject | SOCIAL | UDIES 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Standard |  | Alberta |  |  | d Schoo |  |  | omah | Schoo |  |
|  | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | +/- |
| Acceptable | 64.0 | 66.3 | 66.0 | 55.6 | 62.9 | 63.6 | 53.8 | 50.0 | 55.6 | +5.6 |
| Excellence | 18.3 | 20.2 | 21.6 | 10.2 | 15.7 | 17.3 | 0.0 | 25.0 | 0.0 | -25.0 |
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| 2018 Participation amount by percentage of students |  |  |  |  | Alberta |  | PSD |  | Tomahawk |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 88.9\% |  | 94.0\% |  | 100.0\% |  |

