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2024/ 2025

CARBON SCHOOL

EDUCATION PLAN AND ANNUAL
EDUCATION RESULTS REPORT



ABOUT CARBON SCHOOL



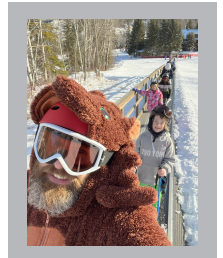
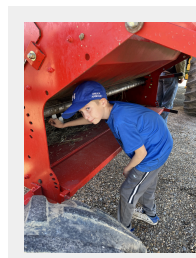
Carbon School, a Pre-K through Grade 9 institution with 60 students, includes a Pre-K class supported by our Parent Association. As part of the Tri-Campus Schools, along with Acme and Dr. Elliott Schools, we focus on fostering connections through shared activities and professional development.

Our multi-graded homerooms are welcoming and supportive, helping students excel academically and thrive personally. For instance, our free daily lunch program ensures students are well-nourished for learning. Staff create innovative, multileveled and differentiated activities, such as a combined Grade 3-6 Language Arts program tailored to individual student levels with teacher and assistant support. Junior High students complete core subjects at Carbon School in the mornings and collaborate with Dr. Elliott students for option classes in the afternoons.

Despite our small enrollment and the challenges of managing multiple curricula, we employ course cycling to enable focused instruction. Partnering with our Parent Advisory Council, community groups, and businesses, we enhance academic, social, and extracurricular opportunities for our students.

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FOUNDATION STATEMENTS

Mission

Inspiring personal success by developing a culture of learning through educational experiences fostered in a safe and supportive community.

Vision

To develop lifelong learners that are inspired to achieve personal excellence.

Values

Integrity, Cooperation, Perseverance, Empathy, and Personal Excellence.



CARBON SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION AND CARBON SCHOOL COUNCIL

The Carbon School Parent Association serves as a dedicated fundraising group within the school community. Committed to enhancing the educational experience at Carbon School, the association focuses on supporting various programs and initiatives. Notably, they take pride in overseeing the operations of Carbon Preschool, ensuring a nurturing environment for the school's youngest learners.

The Carbon School Council, another integral part of the school community, provides a vital platform for collaboration among parents, community members, administrators, staff, and students. Their collective efforts are directed towards fostering the well-being and effectiveness of the school community, aiming to create a better educational environment for everyone involved.



ALBERTA EDUCATION ASSURANCE MEASURES

OVERALL SUMMARY

Assurance Domain	Measure	Carbon School			Alberta		
		Current Result	Previous Year Result	Previous 3 Yr Avg	Current Result	Previous Year Result	Previous 3 Yr Avg
Student Growth and Achievement	Student Learning Engagement	70.2	60.4	63.0	83.7	84.4	84.8
	Citizenship	64.3	63.1	65.4	79.4	80.3	80.9
	3-year High School Completion	n/a	n/a	n/a	80.4	80.7	82.4
	5-year High School Completion	n/a	n/a	n/a	88.1	88.6	87.3
	PAT: Acceptable	*	*	n/a	62.5	62.6	62.6
	PAT: Excellence	*	*	n/a	15.4	15.5	15.5
	Diploma: Acceptable	n/a	n/a	n/a	81.5	80.3	80.3
	Diploma: Excellence	n/a	n/a	n/a	22.6	21.2	21.2
Teaching & Leading	Education Quality	78.3	68.6	70.2	87.6	88.1	88.6
Learning Supports	Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Learning Environments (WCRSLE)	71.1	68.8	70.0	84.0	84.7	85.4
	Access to Supports and Services	77.3	62.9	65.0	79.9	80.6	81.1
Governance	Parental Involvement	58.0	47.5	50.1	79.5	79.1	78.9

Data values have been suppressed where the number of respondents/students is fewer than 6. Suppression is marked with an asterisk (*)



GOAL 1

EVERY STUDENT IS SUCCESSFUL



Carbon School is committed to fostering citizenship in our students through meaningful participation in daily routines such as playing O’ Canada, engaging with school announcements, and listening to our motivational “Believe in You” messages. Students actively participate in community-focused events like the annual Terry Fox Run, the Remembrance Day ceremony, Christmas concerts, town clean-ups, Gifts for Grandparents, and other global and local initiatives. We proudly host a Christmas and spring Senior Tea each year, and our students contribute to the school lunch program by assisting with the daily clean-up process.

We strive to build a positive school culture by encouraging collaboration between students of different grades on shared projects. This approach promotes leadership development and creates a safe, supportive environment where younger students can look up to and connect with their older peers.

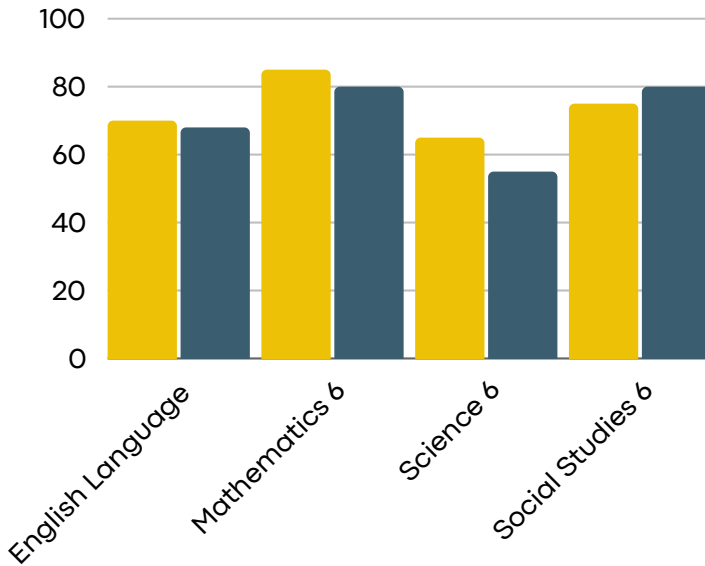
Our core values—Integrity, Cooperation, Perseverance, Empathy, and Personal Excellence—serve as guiding principles, helping students and staff build resilience and maintain physical and emotional well-being. Teachers integrate mindfulness, positive self-talk, and growth mindset strategies into their daily lessons to nurture a holistic approach to student development.

We also focus on strengthening parental engagement through various communication platforms, including our website, Facebook, Instagram, open houses, and presentations highlighting our activities. Additionally, encourage students to participate actively in school and community events, fostering a sense of responsibility and belonging.

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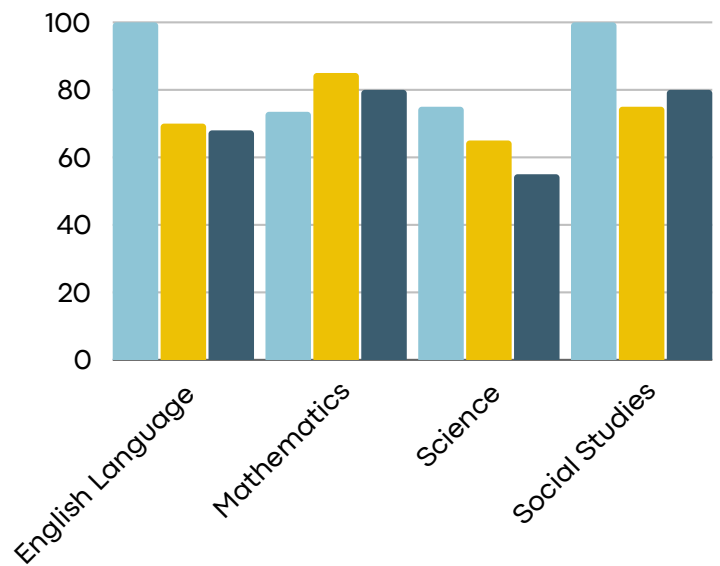
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Grade 6 PAT Results



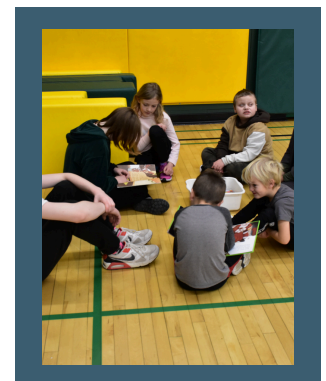
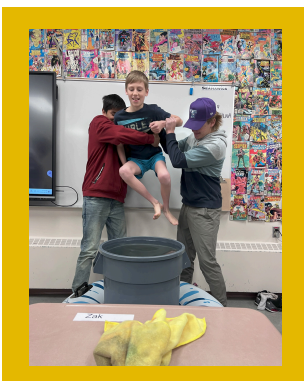
***Students are in a 5/6 split class at Carbon School with a cycled Curriculum. 2023/2024 had no students participating in Provincial Achievement Testing.*

Grade 9 PAT Results



***Students at Carbon School continue to perform as well, or better on most PAT exams.*

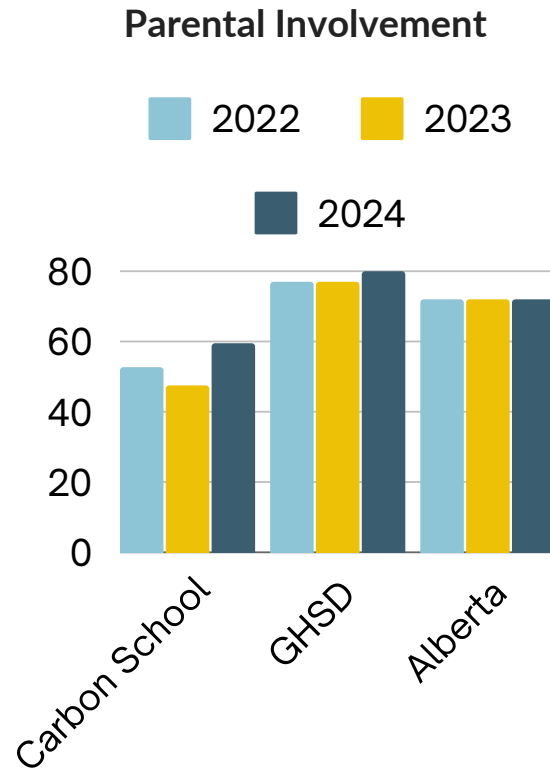
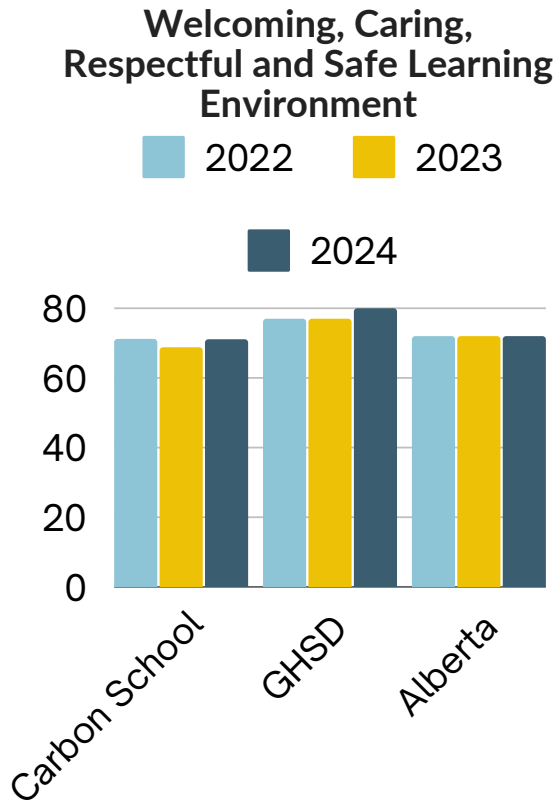
Carbon School fosters student success through thoughtful planning, increased instructional time, and a commitment to excellence. By maintaining split grades across K-9, we provide tailored, effective instruction that supports the development of successful learners and lifelong learning habits. Our diverse programs emphasize key learner characteristics reinforced through modelling and innovative teaching practices. Teachers benefit from division-wide professional development on Powerful Learning and the new provincial curriculum, ensuring they stay at the forefront of educational strategies. We celebrate student achievements and promote a culture of collaboration and inclusivity through social media, newsletters, and our website. Citizenship, cross-graded collaboration, and leadership opportunities are embedded in our programming, creating a caring and positive community that empowers every student to thrive.



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EVERY STUDENT IS SUCCESSFUL

In order to engage parents with our school community, we work to provide multiple opportunities for families to give input and connect to our school, administration, and teachers. We also encourage parents to volunteer and participate in school based activities to build that connection to our school community.



OUR RESULTS

Carbon School has seen a significant increase in parent involvement and participation, which has greatly contributed to a stronger, more connected community. This growth stems from consistent communication, including weekly email updates, social media posts, website announcements, and a monthly newsletter. Parents are encouraged to volunteer and actively participate in school activities, fostering a welcoming environment. Close collaboration with the Parent Council and involving parents in decision-making further strengthen these bonds. Additionally, ongoing communication about students' Individual Program Plans ensures parents are deeply engaged in their children's education. These efforts have created a supportive and inclusive school community where everyone feels valued.

Carbon School Efforts:

- Weekly updates are sent to each family by email.
- Updates are provided through social media, the school website, and the monthly newsletter.
- Parent volunteers are encouraged and welcome.
- Continue the close working relationship with our Carbon School Parent Association and Carbon School Council.
- Involve parents in collaborative decision-making.
- Constant communication with parents regarding students' Individual Program Plans.

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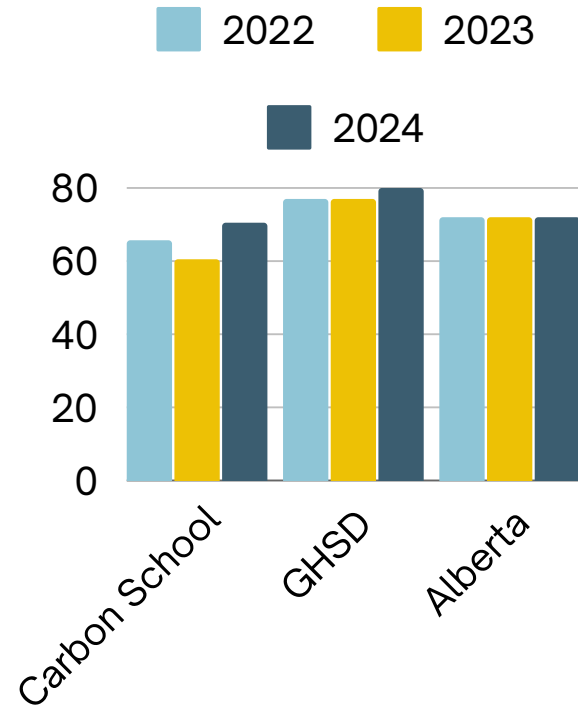
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Carbon School Efforts:

- Provide technology in meaningful ways to increase student engagement and achievement.
- Provide access to assistive technology to support student achievement.
- Access support from GHSD Instructional Coaches to develop instructional and assessment practices and differentiation to support powerful learning for students.
- Jr. High students will look at career possibilities, create resumes, identify strengths using My Blueprint and participate in projects with real-world implications.



Student Learning Engagement



OUR RESULTS

Students at Carbon School have become more engaged in their learning and have fully embraced the vibrant culture and community that we have worked to build. By integrating technology in meaningful ways, students are experiencing increased engagement and academic achievement, with access to assistive technology further supporting diverse learning needs. Through collaboration with GHSD Instructional Coaches, teachers have refined their instructional and assessment practices, fostering differentiation and creating powerful learning experiences for all students. Additionally, initiatives such as exploring career possibilities, creating resumes, identifying personal strengths through My Blueprint, and participating in real-world projects have helped students connect their education to future aspirations. This comprehensive approach has cultivated a dynamic and inclusive environment where students thrive and take pride in their school community.

GOAL 2

FIRST NATIONS, METIS AND INUIT STUDENTS ARE SUCCESSFUL

Carbon School is committed to fostering an inclusive and safe student environment. Our educators integrate First Nations, Métis, and Inuit culture throughout the curriculum and school community to promote greater awareness, understanding, and appreciation of Indigenous heritage. They also actively participate in professional development opportunities to deepen their foundational knowledge of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit traditions and perspectives.



****Carbon Students learn about and participate in a smudge with Bonnie St. Jean, a Kukum (Grandmother) to one of our students.*

GOAL 3

LITERACY AND NUMERACY SUCCESS FOR ALL LEARNERS

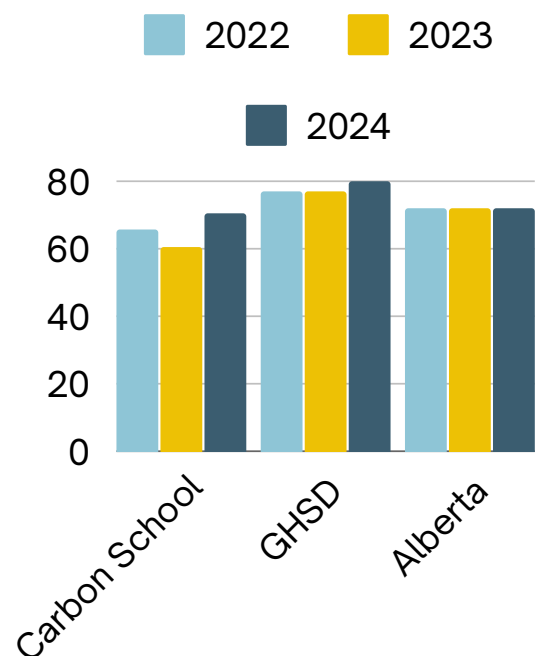
Carbon School aims to provide students with the support, services, and environment that fosters academic success for each student.

- **Carbon School Efforts:**
- Connect to our Education Consultant to access support for students through OT, SLP, and Connections.
- Support from our Family Wellness Worker to connect students with strategies and resources for mental health, family support, conflict resolution, and peer support.
- Connect teachers to professional development opportunities to ensure best practices to support student learning.
- Early student intervention support through our ELI, LLI, and NLI programs to develop the necessary foundations for long-term success.

At Carbon School, we are thrilled to offer a comprehensive range of services designed to support the diverse needs of our students and their families. By connecting with our Education Consultant, students can access essential support through Occupational Therapy (OT), Speech-Language Pathology (SLP), and Connections programs. Our Family Wellness Worker provides valuable guidance, offering strategies and resources for mental health, family support, conflict resolution, and peer relationships. Teachers are empowered with professional development opportunities to ensure they employ best practices in fostering student learning. Additionally, our early intervention programs, including ELI, LLI, and NLI, lay a strong foundation for long-term academic success. Together, these services contribute to the remarkable growth and learning achievements of our students, underscoring our commitment to their well-being and future success.

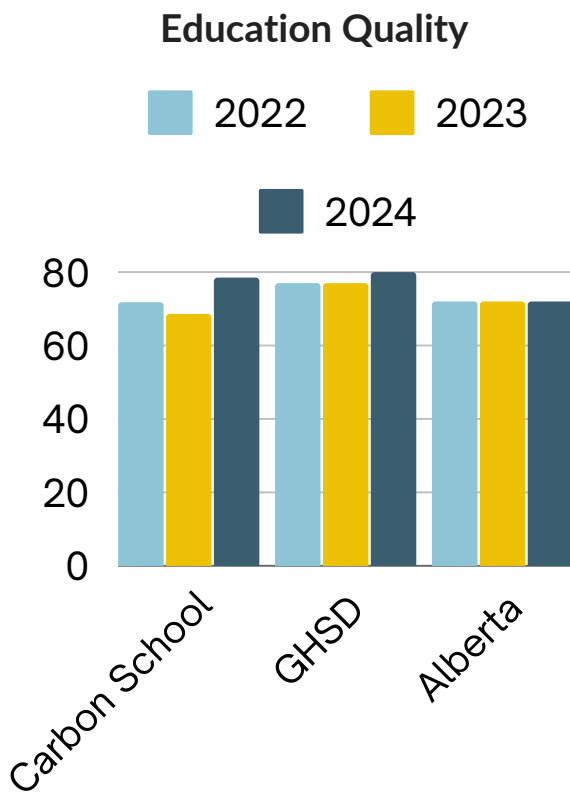


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GOAL 3

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OUR RESULTS

At Carbon School, our learners achieve remarkable success as we implement programs designed to foster the characteristics of successful learners and lifelong learning. These traits are cultivated through diverse and intentional programming that reflects our commitment to holistic education.

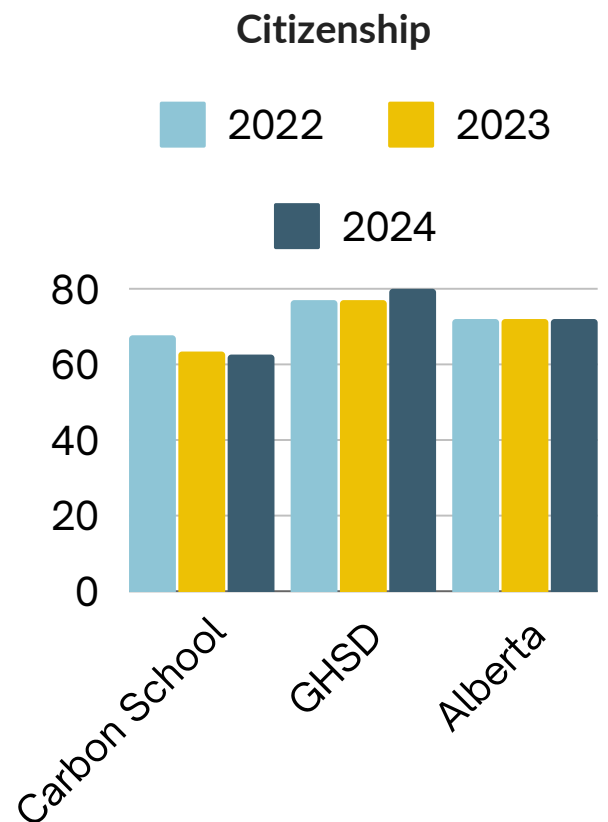
Our teachers benefit from division-wide professional development opportunities centered on Powerful Learning and the new provincial curriculum, ensuring they bring innovative and effective strategies into the classroom. We emphasize citizenship, cross-graded collaboration, and leadership, nurturing a positive and caring community where students feel connected and valued.

Through deliberate focus on mental health, wellness, and a growth mindset—reinforced by thoughtful literature and targeted lessons—we empower students to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. These efforts collectively contribute to creating confident, compassionate, and resilient learners prepared for the challenges of the future.

GOAL 4

PROMOTE WELL-BEING THROUGH POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS AND SKILL BUILDING

At Carbon School, we prioritize well-being by fostering positive relationships and equipping students with essential skills for success. Our safe and supportive culture ensures that students and staff feel valued and cared for, with mental wellness remaining a key focus. We address student concerns promptly and equitably while maintaining open communication with parents, particularly regarding Individual Program Plans. Our licensed preschool, located within the school, provides seamless programming continuity for our youngest learners. Parents are encouraged to stay actively involved in their child’s education through Parent Council, PowerSchool, Parent-Teacher Interviews, and various school events such as pancake breakfasts, the Remembrance Day ceremony, the Terry Fox Run, and Christmas celebrations. Elementary students can build foundational skills and enjoy physical activity through programs like Mini-Raiders and swimming lessons. Additionally, we offer a free daily lunch program for K-9 students, made possible through the steadfast support of our community, ensuring every student is nourished and ready to learn. Together, these initiatives create a positive, inclusive environment that promotes wellness and success for all.



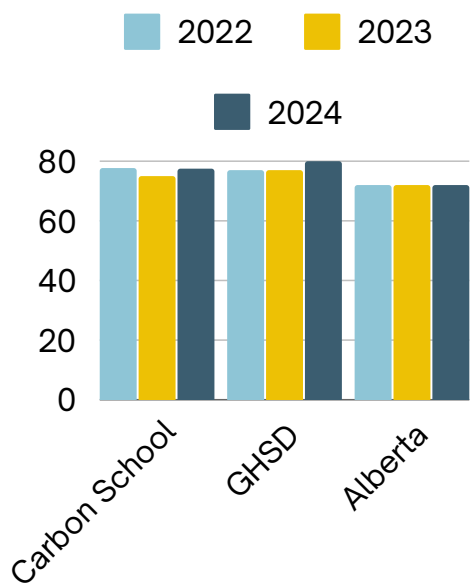
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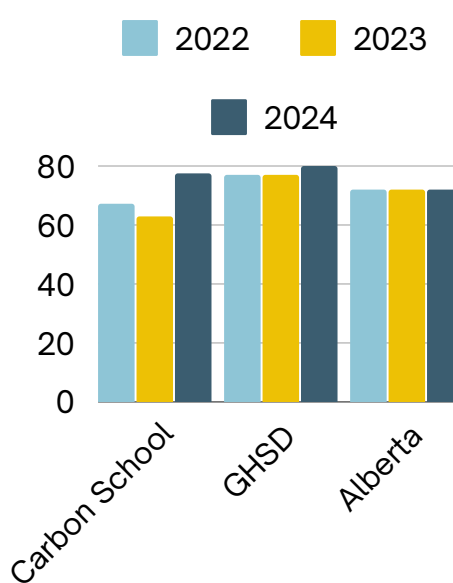
At Carbon School, we prioritize well-being by fostering positive relationships and essential skill-building within our community. By encouraging students from different grades to collaborate on projects, we create opportunities for leadership development while providing a safe and supportive environment where younger students can seek guidance from their older peers. Our core values—Empathy, Perseverance, Cooperation, Integrity, and Personal Excellence—serve as guiding principles that help us build resilience and maintain physical and emotional health. Additionally, our teachers dedicate time each day to promoting mindfulness, positive self-talk, and a growth mindset, ensuring that every student is supported in their journey toward personal growth and well-being.



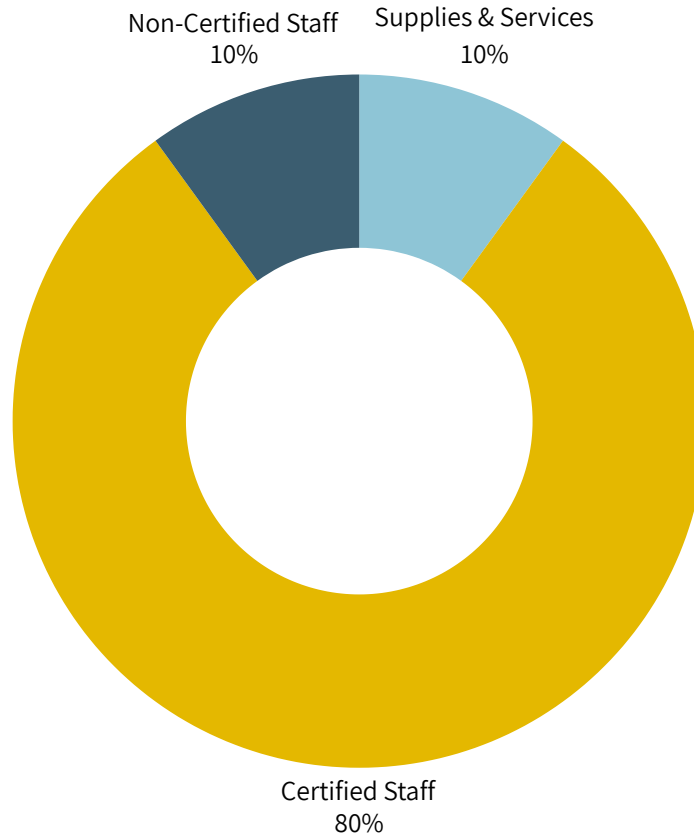
Safe and Caring



Access to Supports and Services

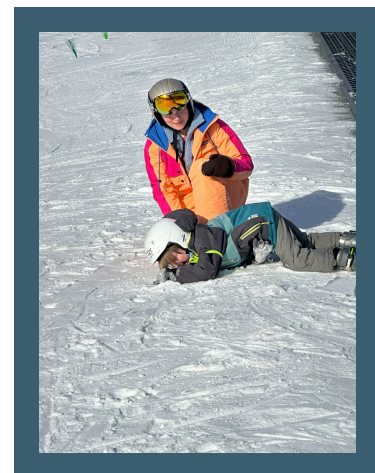


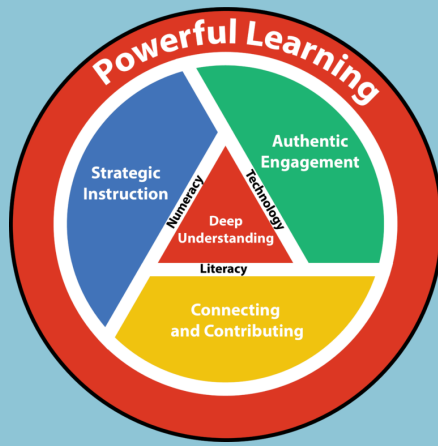
OPERATING BUDGET



FACILITIES AND CAPITAL PLAN

At Carbon School, we remain committed to utilizing our resources to provide the best possible support for our students. We prioritize maintaining a team of highly trained staff and educational assistants to work closely with our students, ensuring their success. We are also deeply grateful for the nutrition grants provided by the Alberta government and the generous donations from our community supporters, which make our lunch program for K-9 students possible.





Carbon School in Rural Alberta has the potential to profoundly impact both our local community and the world by steadfastly adhering to its mission, vision, and values. By fostering a culture of learning through enriching educational experiences in a safe and supportive environment, we inspire personal success and cultivate lifelong learners. Our commitment to integrity, cooperation, perseverance, empathy, and personal excellence not only shapes well-rounded individuals but also prepares them to contribute positively to society. As our students grow into inspired, capable leaders, they will carry these values forward, driving meaningful change and innovation on a global scale.

