



## About Us

Holy Spirit Catholic School Division has:

- 5003 students from Kindergarten to Grade 12.
- 138 children in Early Learning Programs.
- 558.60 FTE staff members.
- 15 schools and 2 outreach programs.
- We proudly serve the communities of Bow Island, Coaldale, Lethbridge, Picture Butte, Pincher Creek, Taber, and surrounding areas.

## Links

The division website:  
<http://www.holyspirit.ab.ca>

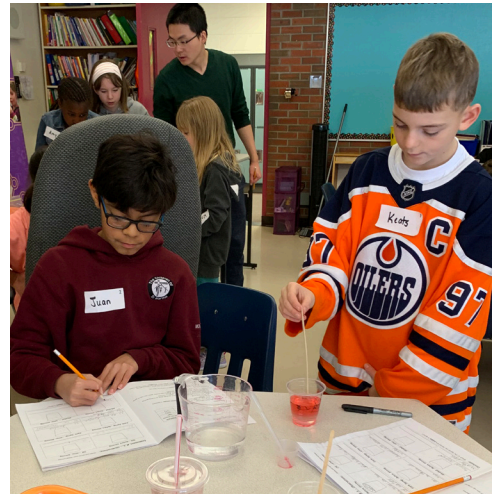
The Combined AERR/TYEP:  
[https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/UserFiles/Servers/Server\\_20670192/File/Resources\\_Publications/Reports\\_Plans/AERR\\_TYEP/AERR2019-20\\_TYEP2020-23.pdf](https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/UserFiles/Servers/Server_20670192/File/Resources_Publications/Reports_Plans/AERR_TYEP/AERR2019-20_TYEP2020-23.pdf)

Detailed financial information:  
[https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/resources\\_publications/reports\\_plans/financial\\_reporting](https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/resources_publications/reports_plans/financial_reporting)

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# Annual Education Results Report Summary 2019/2020



## Student Success

According to the May 2020 Accountability Pillar results:

- Holy Spirit continued the “High” and “Very High” results seen over the past number of years. In fact, the division saw improvement in all 12 out of 12 available categories assessed during this year’s Accountability Pillar Survey.
- Over 92% of parents, students, and teachers agreed that our schools are safe and caring and that the quality of education is excellent.
- “Very High/Excellent” ratings were seen in the following measures:
  - Safe and Caring
  - Program of Studies
  - Education Quality
  - Drop Out Rate
  - Transition Rate
  - Citizenship
  - School Improvement
  - High School Completion Rate
  - Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate

## Our Priorities

- Priority 1:** Staff and students will grow in their faith and experience the richness of Catholic Education.
- Priority 2:** High quality instruction rooted in sound research and effective assessment practices to support growth for all learners.
- Priority 3:** First Nations, Métis, and Inuit education for all.
- Priority 4:** Foster a culture of wellness that is foundational to support learning.

Our priorities remain rooted in our Mission:

We are Catholic Faith Community, dedicated to providing each student entrusted to our care with an education rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Guided by the Holy Spirit, in partnership with home, parish, and society, our schools foster the growth of responsible citizens who will live, celebrate, and proclaim their faith.

Our Catholic Faith is the foundation of all that we do.

## Engaging Community

Beyond conversation with administration, staff, students, parents, and community partners, monthly meetings with division senior administration and school administration, as well as two periodic meetings between the Board and our schools’ respective School Council Chairs are scheduled.

Holy Spirit further employs various computer-mediated tools to communicate with stakeholders. This past year, SchoolMessenger Communicate was particularly useful in sending email, phone, and text messages to students’ families, updating them about emergency situations related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Website and social media channels were also used extensively. In addition, the Superintendent maintains a blog and active Twitter presence to keep the community updated about division business and educational resources.

## Fiscal Stewardship

Our finances must always reflect our values. To support excellence in learning and ensure that all students receive the opportunities to become the persons God created them to be, financial allocations must support a maximum allotment of dollars to the classroom and complete equity in the distribution of these dollars.

The 2019/2020 actual operating expenditures for the school division were \$60,870,275. Of this total, 79% was focused directly on instruction:

Instruction	\$ 47,945,413
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 8,675,711
Board & System	\$ 2,695,859
Transportation	\$ 1,589,292