Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools Level 2 Action Plan: Student Transitions



Priority Action:

Enhance opportunities for learners and their families and support transitions as learners enter and progress through school to graduation and determine a life pathway.

Which PEP pillars and goals does this action plan support?

- Skills and Knowledge
- Connections and Relationships
- Inclusive, Safe and Welcoming

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1. Where We Are: Current Situation

Early Years

• In 2023-24, approximately 43% of children entering CTTCS Kindergarten lacked appropriate levels of basic developmental skills. The Spring assessment showed approximately 77% of students achieved readiness levels, an increase of 19%.

Key Transitions

 Grade 9 to 10 transition can be measured by the percentage of Grade 9 students who attain 8 or more credits in the subsequent school year. In 2023-24, 81.7% of CTTCS students transitioning from Grade 9 to Grade 10 achieved eight or more credits, with 29.2% of students who identified as FNMI achieved 8 or more credits.

Pathways

- In 2023-24, 17% of Gr. 7-12 CTTCS non-Indigenous and 15% of students who identified as FNMI reported they are planning to pursue trade or apprenticeship programs. 54% of non-Indigenous and 18% of FNMI students planned on going to university. (OurSCHOOL student perceptual survey).
- Baseline and more recent 3-year and 5-year graduation rates for both overall and for Indigenous students are noted below:

	3-year		5-year		
Grad Year	All	FNMI	All	FNMI	
2011-12	80%	50%	87%	na	
2021-22	71%	29%	90%	71%	
2022-23	84%	60%	88%	64%	
2023-24	90%	57%	76%	38%	

2. What Will Influence Our Actions: Effective Practices and Research

- Engage parents/caregivers voices and insights to inform the work outlined in this action from Prekindergarten to grade 12.
- Seek to understand and learn from Indigenous ways of knowing, being and doing.
- Be inclusive of all cultures present in schools.
- Seek to understand and respect roles, responsibilities, and mandates of partners.
- Support and encourage innovation.
- Recognize that graduation requirements are being revisited and may change.
- Engage diverse Elders, Knowledge Keepers, immigration partners and others to provide guidance to the development of tools and processes.
- Families and school staff collaborate with community members to connect students to expanded learning opportunities.
- Align this work with documents such as:
 - Inspiring Success: First Nations and Métis PreK-12 Education Policy Framework;
 - Indigenous Education Responsibility Framework;
 - Kindergarten to Grade 12 curricula (recognizing curriculum will be renewed);
 - Inclusive Education;
 - Play and Exploration Learning Guide;
 - Leading to Learn;
 - Family Engagement in Prekindergarten
 - Resources/literature on family-centric engagement;
 - Learnings from Following Their Voices;

3. What Will Be Different

(From Provincial Education Council Areas of Focus)

- Encourage development of diverse skills and knowledge through experiential learning and provide alternative pathways to graduation.
- Ease transitions to life beyond Grade 12 by providing more knowledge about diverse career pathways and encouraging partnerships with business and industry and social supports for students experiencing transitions.
- From a strengths-based approach, create relevant and responsive family centric models, inclusive of students, staff, parents, families, cultures, and communities encompassing the entire framework.
- Improve relationships among schools, educators, industry, employers, parents, and families and co-construct teaching and learning to ensure the success and wellbeing of students.
- Deepen relationships with parents, families and community organizations to foster engagement, belonging and identity in education/schools.
- Support students, parents, families and communities in facilitating students' transitions throughout Prekindergarten to Grade 12 education and beyond so that students achieve, are safe, confident and welcomed.
- Improve transitions into school by decolonizing, by creating inclusive and welcoming spaces, and sharing knowledge tools and skills between schools and families so that students are safe, confident and successful throughout the entire educational journey.
- Support effective leadership (teachers, principals, administrators, school staff, students, parents, families, community and teacher educators) to facilitate a change in organizational culture from school-centric to family-centric in approach.

Division Targets

Draft Targets

- By 2026 parents/caregivers will report having voice and place in their child's learning and development.
- By 2027, all CTTCS students will have a comprehensive graduation plan with a focus on providing tailored academic and career guidance, enhancing student engagement, and strengthening support systems for at-risk students.
- By 2030, increase the three-and five-year graduation rates for all CTTCS students, with a focus on bridging the gap between Non-First Nation and Indigenous students.

Measures

Measures and tools to be developed/determined for:

• Using and sharing child development information for *early intervention programs*.

• In the CTTCS 2023-24 OurSCHOOL survey, 55% students in Grade 7-	 Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to 		Measures:
12 reported being intellectually engaged, as compared to the	Action;		 3-year graduation rates,
national norm of 60% for these grade levels.	 Kindergarten to Grade 9 Treaty Education Learning 		disaggregated for Indigenous, non-
	Resource.		Indigenous and all students;
	 United Nations Declaration on the Rights of 		 5-year graduation rates
	Indigenous Peoples; and,		disaggregated for Indigenous, non-
	 Saskatchewan Curriculum Broad Areas of Learning. 		Indigenous and all students;
		Progress Monitoring –Review of credit attainment to be completed following each reporting period. Review	
		division and provincial transition data. Review data following student perception survey collections.	

4. Implementation, Evidence and Progress Monitoring – <u>To be completed by the Priority Action Team</u>

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		Start Month/Year	End Month/Year	related to each action?
1. Create shared understanding of family engagement approaches in Prekindergarten to Grade 12 education utilizing the provincial framework.	1.1 Strengthen relationships with parents, families, parish and community organizations to foster engagement, belonging and identity in education/schools.	2023	Ongoing	School-based administrators
	1.2 Adopt the provincial framework and evergreen playbook related to family engagement.	2026	5 5	School-based administrators
	1.3. Deliver professional development aligned to 1.1.			dammistrators
Partner with families and providers of early learning, childcare and intervention programming (e.g., Headstart, Early Childhood Intervention Program, Prekindergarten) to identify and provide	2.1 Partner with families and early learning partners to utilize the existing transition roadmap (<i>Moving On In; Moving On Up</i>) across early learning programs and services to support children and families as they enter schools.	2023		Ashley Benko School-based Administrators
supports to young children and their families as they enter schools.	2.2 Collaborate with early learning partners to actualize the provincial transition roadmap, screening and assessment tools, and processes for sharing data and assessment results.	2027	Ongoing	SSSTs
3. Identify and support student engagement at key transition points as students progress through school.	3.1 Facilitate transition plans and engagement opportunities for students moving into, through, and beyond Pre-K to Gr. 12 education.	2023	Ongoing	School-based staff
	3.2 Implement the early adolescent engagement audit tool to understand areas of strength and challenge associated with student attitudes towards school and learning.	2024	Ongoing	
	 3.2.1 Use data to analyze changes in grade 6-8 student social/institutional/intellectual engagement with a focus on researched areas of impact: Warm, caring relationships with teachers. Cognitively challenging academic work. The opportunity to express autonomy and make choices during the school day. A sense of belonging in the school community. 	2024		
4. Identify and extend opportunities that assist students to prepare for diverse career and life pathways through partnerships with post-secondary education and training, business, and industry.	4.1 Increase student choice and flexibility in programming toward graduation requirements to engage and prepare students for diverse future lifepaths.	2023		School-based administration
	 Curriculum Support financial literacy education. Investigate opportunities for students to access credit options. Investigate curricular options to strengthen post-secondary readiness. 			

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	 Transition Planning Partner with organizations to support students with disabilities to gain valuable experience in the workforce before leaving the K-12 system. 			
	4.2 Create partnerships between K-12 post-secondary and industry stakeholders to identify and advertise various lifepaths for students.			
	 Lifepath Planning Implement provincial guides/resources to support career counseling for students and families in Grades 6 to 12. Investigate and share best practice for support programs, such as mentorship, tutoring, and counseling, tailored to the needs of Indigenous students. Utilize the provincial tool to share with families and track students' high school course plans with aligned goals and interests in Grades 6 to 12. 	2025-26		Chad Holinaty School-based administrators
	 Awareness of Lifepath Options Promote opportunities for project-based learning, research initiatives, and innovation competitions. Increase awareness of trades pathways through enhanced regional and provincial skills competitions and events (that highlight student talent in various industry, trades, and technologies), connect students with potential employers and post-secondary institutions, and promote the Saskatchewan Youth Apprentice program. Spotlight various industries and occupations to increase diversity in career choices and pathways. 	2023		