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DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

Message from the Chair of the Board

Pinky McRae, Board Chair

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am pleased to present the 2016-2017 Annual Report for Superior-Greenstone District School Board.

As a board, responsible to the Ministry of Education for the achievement, well-being and safety of our students, we are thankful to be part of the SGDSB team that is learning and growing in an environment marked by collaboration and distributive leadership. I look forward to continuing to focus on our priorities of student achievement, well-being, building relationships and stewardship of resources as we seek to build confident learners and caring citizens.

To provide the best possible learning environments for all of our students this past year has been both challenging and rewarding and has resulted in a number of building renovations, a closure and consolidation of our schools in the past year. As a Board, we navigated through the challenges, maintained positive working relationships and student learning remained at the forefront of our priorities.

This report provides a snapshot of the key activities that occurred throughout the 2016-2017 school year. More importantly, it is a celebration of student success as we continue to provide programs and services to support learners. This report is also a tribute to the dedication of our staff members who foster excellence in our elementary and secondary schools. Our educators continue to bring learning to life, enabling students to fulfill their aspirations.

In closing, I would like to commend senior administration and all SGDSB staff for their continued dedication, thank parents/ guardians and community partners for their support and congratulate students for their efforts.

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Message from the Director of Education

Together we make a Difference!

I have the privilege of being the Director of Education for Superior-Greenstone District School Board. In my role, I am frequently asked what it is I do as a Director; and I always respond by saying let's start with why. After all, I would much rather share my passion for why I enjoy my role, rather than concern you with the details of what it is that I do as a Director.

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Our 2016-2019 Board Learning Plan for Student Achievement and Well Being has been designed to address the most urgent learning needs of our students. We know that the overall learning environment and the pedagogical methods that we utilize in our schools and classrooms are of the utmost importance to the fostering of well-being, thus we continue to focus on becoming increasingly student centered. This instructional approach shifts the focus from teaching to a focus on learning; students are active participants in the learning, their voice influences the content, activities, materials and the pace of the learning, and they engage in deep, open-ended problem solving that require both critical and creative thinking.

We know that we must meet students where they are at in their

Ensuring Equity and Inclusive Education

Superior-Greenstone District School Board knows that when a teaching and learning environment is inclusive it promotes the intellectual engagement of all students and reflects individual student strengths, needs, learning preferences and cultural perspectives. The many ways that we are ensuring equity and inclusivity is outlined in the graph below.

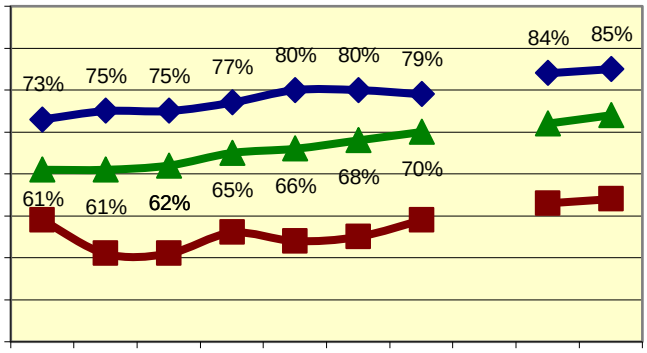
Student

Supporting Our Learners

The Special Education Advisory Committee

Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO)

Provincial Testing Results



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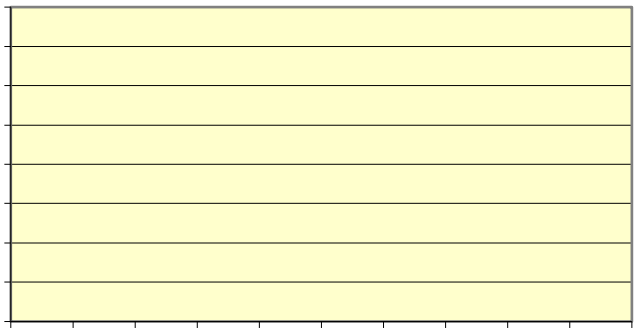

Building Relationships

Responsible Stewardship of Resources

Teaching and non-teaching staff bring their individual and collective experience to the Board, making Superior-Greenstone Schools great places to learn.

Environmental Stewardship

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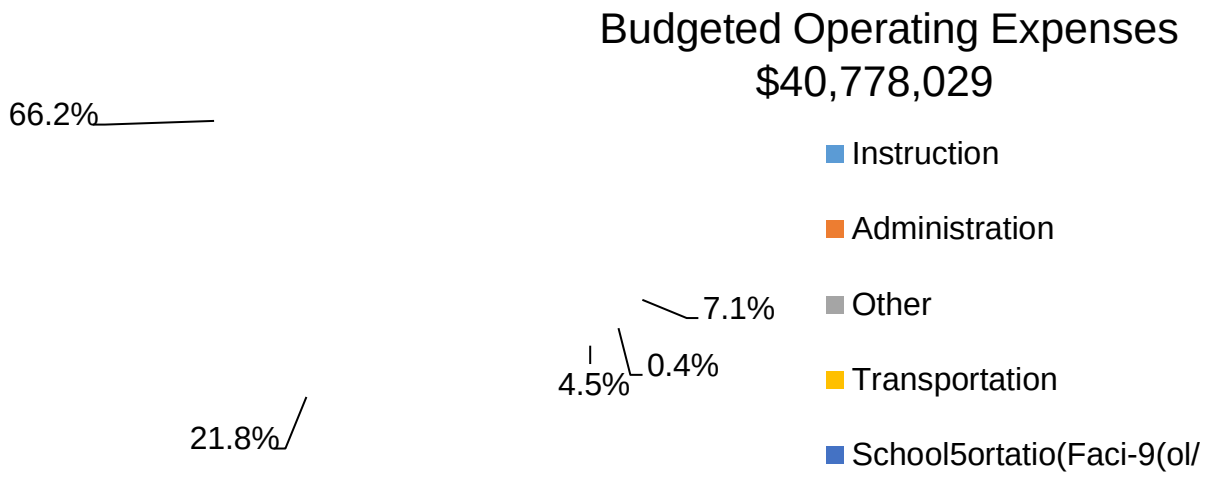
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66.2%
21.8%
4.5%
0.4%
7.1%
Instruction
Administration
Other
Transportation
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