# report to the community



# John Taylor Collegiate

2023-24



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The Senior Years in the St. James- Assiniboia School Division provide a varied curriculum to meet the needs, interests, and abilities of students. The programs provide a sound basis for further education or immediate employment setting. Hands-on, active participation is encouraged in all subject areas and especially in courses such as: Performing and Fine Arts, physical education, career exploration and independent studies.

# Last Year's Broad Areas of Focus (2022-2023)

- ✓ John Taylor Collegiate's professional staff continued to focus on the area of improving literacy across all curricular areas.
- ✓ John Taylor Collegiate encourages all students to see themselves as capable readers and writers and promote voice and choice.
- ✓ Visible thinking routines were utilized across the content areas to promote literacy.
- ✓ Professional staff engaged in Professional Development on the importance of representation in literature.
- ✓ John Taylor Collegiate's professional staff continued to focus on improving numeracy across all curricular areas.
- ✓ John Taylor Collegiate students continue to be more confident in their ability to learn and use mathematics.
- ✓ Professional staff engaged in Professional Development with Division numeracy coaches.

# **Our Vision Statement**

To provide students with the tools they require to become responsible, capable, creative, lifelong learners and good citizens.

# Our Mission Statement

Raising All Students Towards Distinction. In pursuing our aim, we value:

- Justice that honours the individual
- A sense of community
- Service to others
- Compulsory learning
- Diversity of people and learning experiences
- A safe and healthy environment

### School Profile

Number of teachers: 32 Number of students: 524 Grade levels: 9 - 12

### School Highlights

These include:

- Advanced Placement
- Special Needs Programming
- Work Experience
- Visual and Performing Arts
- Practical Arts
- Human Ecology
- Graphic Technology
- Photography
- Self Directed Learning
- Apprenticeship
- Visual and Performing Arts
- Practical Arts

- ✓ John Taylor Collegiate's professional staff continued to focus on improving school culture and a sense of belonging.
- ✓ John Taylor Collegiate created our first Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Department Head to examine our programming and outcomes in this area. We began to assess and prioritize our equity and inclusion strengths and weaknesses and provide support to classroom/ content area teachers to enable them to address the diverse needs of all their students.

# 2023-2024 Planning & Goal Setting Process

School goals are created using the Divisional Strategic Plan as the guideline. The goal setting process begins in early spring and includes input from students, teachers, parents, and the community. Goals are developed around the needs and direction of the various departments.

# 2023-2024 Identified Areas of Focus

✓ MA MAWI ANOKIITAW MIINAWAA: Our goal is to foster culturally inclusive learning environments by building strong connections among staff, students, and the community, while nurturing genuine learning experiences rooted in the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion.

- Choir
- Band
- Guitar

### **Extra-Curricular Activities**

Large variety of activities and opportunities:

- Piper Classics Volleyball, Basketball, Hockey
  High School Football
- Cross Country, Track, Soccer, Badminton & Rugby
- Ultimate

GSA Student Group/PRIDE Awareness

- Spring Musical
- Student Advisory
- Youth in Philanthropy