

## *Phoenix School Plans*

*2018-19*

### *Planning & Goal Setting*

Phoenix School's goals are created using the St. James-Assiniboia School Division Strategic Directions and Planning Themes as guidelines. The Phoenix Staff meets in March of each year to review school priorities and establish goals for the upcoming school year. Parent and community input is considered utilizing the feedback and comments on the bi-annual Parent Survey, and discussions with parents at student-led conferences and school events throughout the year. Student progress and achievement data, discussions during Professional Learning Communities, and provincial priorities are considered when developing Phoenix School's goals. Once the indicators of success, strategies used to attain the goals, and data sources used to measure success are established, the planning and goal setting process is complete.

### *This Year's School Goals and Priorities (2018-2019)* *Literacy Goal 2018-19*

To develop students' critical thinking skills so that 90% of the students are achieving a '3' or '4' rating, each term on the report card

#### *Indicators of Success:*

- Students have learned to evaluate the usefulness and validity of test and other sources of information
- Students have experienced new strategies related the professional learning community's book study "Reading Power" and "Reading Strategies Book: Your Everything Guide to Developing Skilled Readers"
- Students know how to express their viewpoints and opinions respectfully and are more readily able to accept the opinions of others in a respectful manner
- Students are able to write persuasive arguments on select topics at an age-appropriate level
- Students have been able to formulate and ask critical thinking questions that further explore the students' comprehension and evaluation of story plot, characters, etc.
- Students have benefited from an expansion of their critical thinking skills

- Student involvement in fixing their mistakes and utilizing the concept of Restitution has been evident throughout the school year.
- Additional common assessments and rubrics have been developed by the teachers to assist with evaluation in the area of critical thinking.

### *Numeracy Goal 2018-19*

To continue to develop students' proficiency with their math facts so that 80% of the students achieve a '3' or '4' rating, each term, on the report card

#### *Indicators of Success:*

- Students' mental math competencies have increased with the regular use of Math instructional games emphasizing basic facts and mental math
- Students have benefited from a consistent evaluation process consisting of common assessments and rubrics which have been developed
- Students have benefited from the use of the continuum of math fact strategies emphasizing their growth and their next steps for continued progress

### *Sustainability Goal 2018-19*

- To increase 80% of students' awareness of the effects of poverty around the world

#### *Indicators of Success:*

- Students have learned about poverty through research project, speakers and field trips and book studies