



# École McTavish Junior High School

## School Review 2015



In October and November of 2015, École McTavish Junior High volunteered to undergo an external School Review process, focused on continuous improvement.

Below is a summary of the School Review Team's findings.

The complete School Review Report is available on the École McTavish Junior High School website.

<p><b>Superior Academic Achievement</b></p> <p>43% of all grades 7, 8 and 9 students received honours standing in June 2015. 92% of parents surveyed expressed satisfaction with quality of education their child receives. École McTavish regularly ranks above the provincial average on most Provincial Achievement Tests and continues to show improvement each year.</p>	<p><b>Warm and Welcoming Environment</b></p> <p>98% of parents said they feel welcome when they visit the school, and 93% indicated that their child enjoys attending school. 74% of these junior high students admitted to enjoying attending school. 97% of parents and 85% of students felt that support staff (eg. Educational Assistants, secretaries, librarian and custodians) are helpful and friendly.</p>	<p><b>A Safe and Caring School</b></p> <p>Teachers (100%), parents (98%) and students (85%) feel the school has a safe and orderly environment. 94% of teachers and 92% of parents felt students are respectful and well behaved. 82% of parents and 73% of students felt bullying is NOT a major problem at school. 91% of parents and 79% of students felt school's discipline policy and procedures are fair and effective.</p>
<p><b>Exceptional Curricular and Co-curricular Programming</b></p> <p>French Immersion, PEAK Athletic Academy and a wide variety of co-curricular activities for all interests, including sports and athletics (clubs and teams) Fine arts (choir, band and drama), student leadership, environmental club, social consciousness and many more.</p>	<p><b>Engaged Parents</b></p> <p><i>"We feel listened to by admin."</i> 93% of parents expressed satisfaction that when they bring concerns to the school, they feel they are heard and taken seriously. 92% agreed that they have the opportunity to provide input into decisions made at the school impacting their child. Very active, effective and supportive Parent Council (fundraising) and School Council.</p>	<p><b>Supportive Staff</b></p> <p>Staff is held in extremely high regard by the students and parent community 96% of parents felt their child's teacher cared about their child. Students felt there were numerous people they could turn to for support if they needed to speak to someone.</p>

École McTavish is a junior high school that doesn't fit the preconceived notions of what a Junior High looks and feels like.

Its welcoming culture underpins a strong, progressive, and responsive school community, where students are given freedom to be themselves and receive all the support they need to succeed at the highest levels academically and in all aspects of a well-rounded education.

An abundance of programming ensures an inclusive environment where there is something for everyone, regardless of interest or ability.

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