



# Stonybrook Middle School

## Community Report 2021 2022

READY TO LEARN

*Be Responsible Be Respectful Be Safe*

### About Us

514 Students  
Grades 5-8

#### 35 Teaching Staff includes:

Literacy & Numeracy Support  
Learning Support/Resource/EAL  
Counsellors  
Music & Physical Education  
Industrial Arts & Human Ecology

#### Support Staff includes:

School Admin Secretary  
Assistant School Secretary  
13 Educational Assistants  
Library Support Specialist  
Head Custodian & 4 Assistants

At SMS, students are engaged in core academic programs, band, choir, the arts (visual, drama, and digital), Industrial Arts, Human Ecology, Makerspace, and athletics such as: intramurals, cross-country, volleyball, basketball, badminton, track & field, and soccer.

Our school focuses on a culture of kindness and it shows as we welcome new students and engage with our fabulous community!

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### Planning Priority #1

**Educators use multiple learning and teaching approaches**

#### Strategies and Success Indicators

SMS participated in a "Gathering of Friends" celebration in Ginew, MB.

We received special funding for and started a Flex Ed program in grade 8.

We continued to incorporate comprehensive literacy and numeracy plans that allow for multiple learning approaches and opportunities for engagement.

Literacy highlights include continued precision reading programming under the direction of our Literacy Support Specialist, and Fountas and Pinnell assessment results that indicate growth particularly in grades 5 and 6.

Numeracy highlights include continued use of Numeracy Achievement Program (NAP) throughout grades 6 to 8, and an introduction to the program in grade 5 making it a school wide initiative. We are encouraged by our initial NAP results and professional collaboration time, and look forward to continuing next year.

### Planning Priority #2

**Ongoing PD and collaboration reflects courage & best educational practices.**

#### Strategies and Success Indicators

- SMS grade 7's participated in a Knowledge Keepers & Elders pilot program.
- We have continued our goal of having every student's academic and personal development guided by an adult advocate. Guidance counselors, learning support, admin, classroom teachers, and our student care team continued to meet to discuss individual student progress. Due to some challenges related to returning to in class learning, we increased collaboration time with our school social worker and student care team.
- Numeracy Achievement Program support, as mentioned above, was a focus across the grade levels and will be continued as part of HSD divisional planning.
- Based on the work of Dr. Jody Carrington (Kids These Days) and Dr. Brene Brown, all teachers had opportunities for professional development focused around courage, empathy, and connecting with our students.

### Planning Priority #3

**The health & wellness needs of Middle Years students are supported through Social/Emotional Learning, school-wide programs and practices.**

#### Strategies and Success Indicators

Our grade 5 and 7 students received Healthy Lifestyle Practices instruction and DARE was completed in grades 6 & 8.

All grade 5 students participated in Zones of Regulation Training with our HSD occupational therapist and their homeroom teacher. Self regulation strategies and a powerful common language impacted our school community on a number of levels.

Grades 6-8 students collaborated with our HSD Career Development and Life Exploration program coordinator discussing topics such as digital safety, resume writing, high school transitions, and the Young Workers Readiness Certificate.

All students completed the Panorama student survey and results clearly suggest effective SEL programming across the grade levels, and especially with our new grade 5 students.

Finally, given the challenges around planning and programming during a pandemic, we would like to say, "Thank You!" to all the families and community of SMS. This has not been an easy time, and we thank you for all of your support. It has been an absolute pleasure opening our doors to multiple concerts and parent nights this spring!