Parkland Middle School Action Plan

2022-2023 SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.5 SOUTHEAST KOOTENAY

YEAR 2



Principal's Message

Parkland Middle School endeavours to maintain high and measurable standards, with a focus on intellectual development, human and social development, and career development, to offer each student the best opportunity to succeed in life. By increasing student-centred learning opportunities that prepare learners to achieve their career and life goals, we aim to improve outcomes and enhance education experiences for all students, no matter their background or where they live.

Our School Action Plan is a continuation of the work of the past year and is reflective of the commitment our staff and community partners have in ensuring student success. Through meetings with our partner groups and school staff we continue to look at data around student success and create a plan to improve student learning. This document will be revisited at the end of each school year, to determine if the plan is improving student learning and to evaluate if what we are doing is working for our students.

In the areas of literacy and numeracy, we have work to do to support our students and we are committed to ensuring our children are literate and numerate. We will use both pre-data and post-data and will work on a continued cycle of improvement.

School Demographics

STAFF

57

- 2 Admin
- 21 Support Staff
- 34 Teachers

STUDENTS

500

- 81 Indigenous or Metis
- 92 French Immersion

7-9

GRADES

VISION:

Parkland Middle School strives to be a supportive, responsible, involved community that learns and works together in a safe, caring environment that enables us to realize our full potential.

MISSION:

Our students will graduate with dignity, purpose and options.



VALUES:

Integrity

• Honest, sincere, standing up for what you believe in

Responsibility

• Accountability, giving your best

Respect



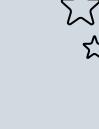
• Respecting yourself and others,

Excellence

• Setting goals, remembering to plan and practice

Kindness

• Being thoughtful or others, accepting differences



PRIORITY 1 - LITERACY

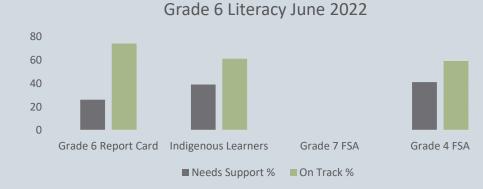
GOAL

To increase student achievement in literacy.

Rationale

Possessing proficient literacy skills gives students the ability to communicate clearly and effectively. Lacking these skills places students at a tremendous disadvantage. Literacy creates opportunities for people to develop skills that will help them provide for themselves and their family as well as becoming positive contributors to society. Literacy is essential to developing a strong sense of wellbeing and citizenship. Children who have developed strong reading skills perform better in school and have a healthier self-image. They become lifelong learners and sought-after employees.

LITERACY PERFORMANCE



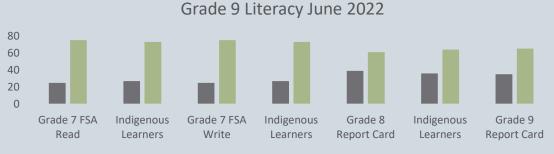
Grade 8 Literacy June 2022



■ Needs Support % ■ On Track %

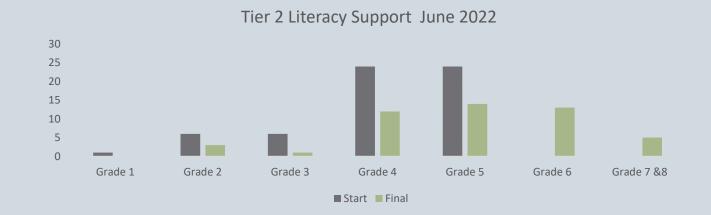


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LITERACY PERFORMANCE



Tier 2 target literacy supports were provided to groups of students not yet on track for literacy. Reading levels were measured at the beginning of the term and the end. All students achieved growth whether within their reading grade level or by gaining 1 or 2 reading grade levels.

Growth in Literacy

EMERGING AREAS OF NEED

STRATEGIC INQUIRY

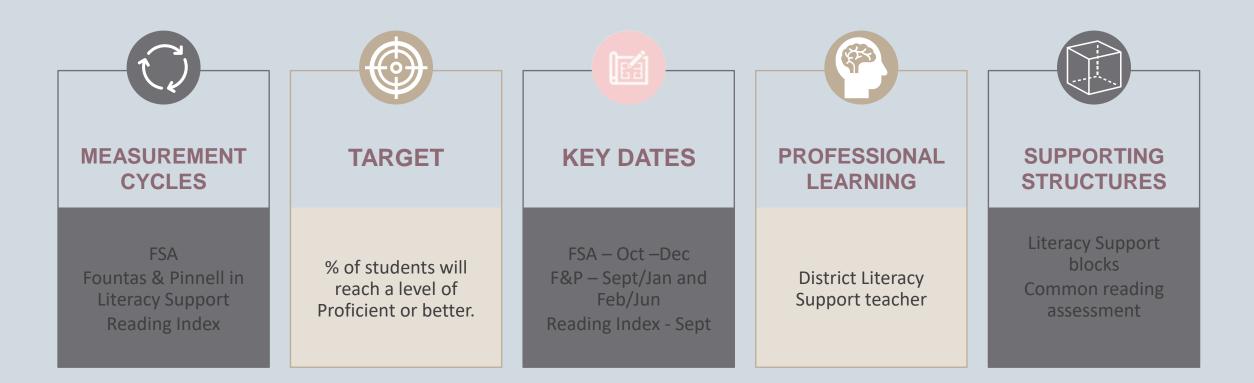
The Tier 2 supports implemented last year have shown success. In looking at the report card data, it is not clear if the skills are transferring over yet into other areas. There appears to be inconsistency in achievement for all learners, in all grades.

Identifying Tier 1 strategies to implement for all learners to support and foster literacy achievement. To what extent will targeting literacy skills in all classes lead to an increase in student achievement in literacy?

Are the diagnostics and FSA good indicators to identify student literacy skills and needs?

Are the literacy support classes having a positive impact in all areas of learning?

Strategic Targets and Measures - Literacy



PRIORITY 2 - NUMERACY

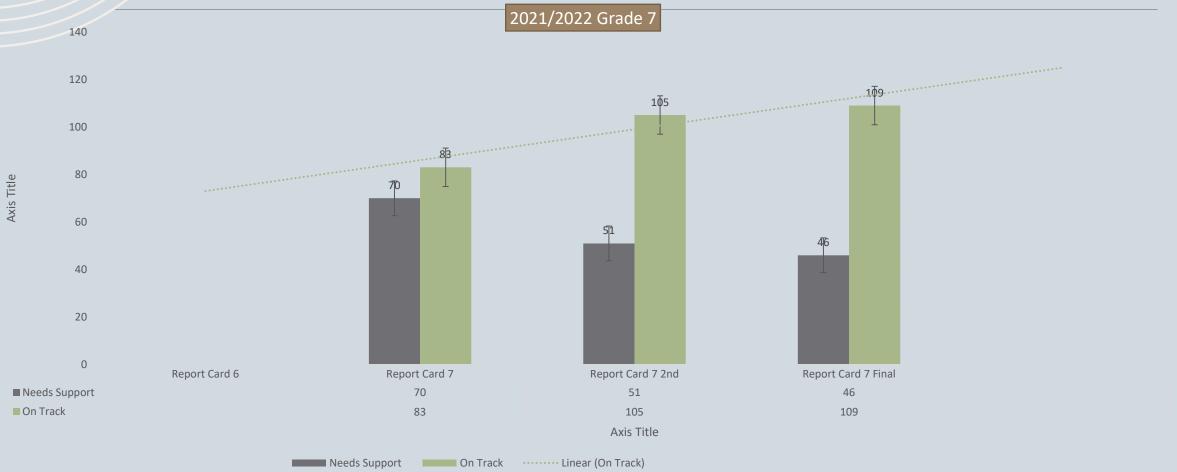
GOAL

To increase student achievement in numeracy.

Rationale

Numeracy is necessary for everyday living. From daily activities like telling the time, baking and playing cards, to more difficult tasks such as understanding budgeting, planning a trip, reading a map and understanding timetables. Numeracy is important for individuals to develop logical thinking and reasoning strategies in their everyday activities as well as different career opportunities. We need numeracy to solve problems and make sense of numbers, time, patterns, and shapes for activities like cooking, reading receipts, reading instructions, and even playing sports.

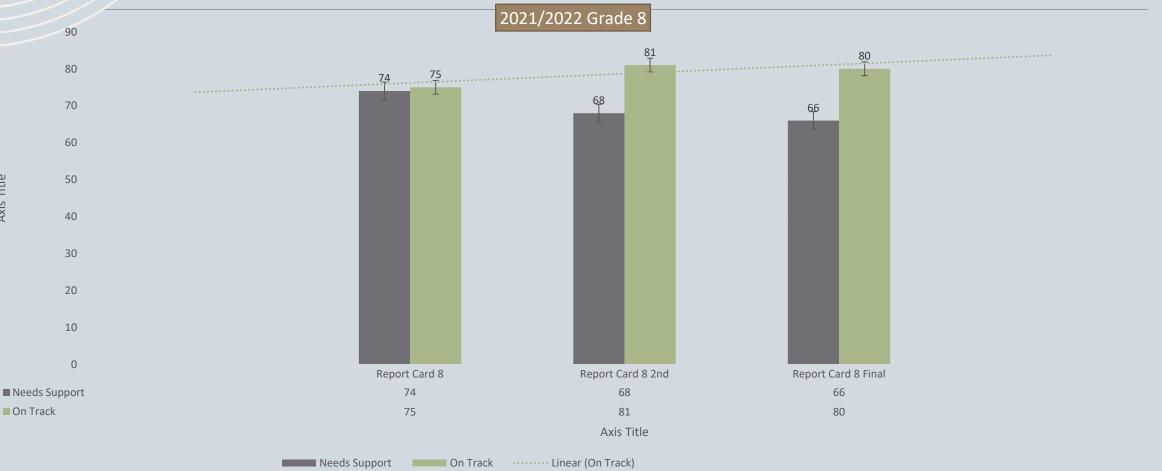
STUDENT SUCCESS PLAN 2022



Grade 7 Numeracy Analysis

The final analysis of the grade 7 data shows that the math teams work and dedication to improving student performance is paying off. The grade 7 data shows a healthy trend for more proficient learners in math. Through the year Parkland saw 24 more grade 7 students gain a proficient standard (16% growth) in comparison to the beginning of the year. Parkland's data is valid since every math student writes the same diagnostic and unit tests. The report card marks are comparable to all students in grade 7.

For this document we are focused on report card marks and at the end of grade 7. The beginning of Grade 7 demonstrated a 54% proficiency and higher standard. This data demonstrated a goal deficit of 6%. The end of the school year shows a 70% proficiency or higher standard. This data demonstrate a 10% surplus to our numeracy goal.

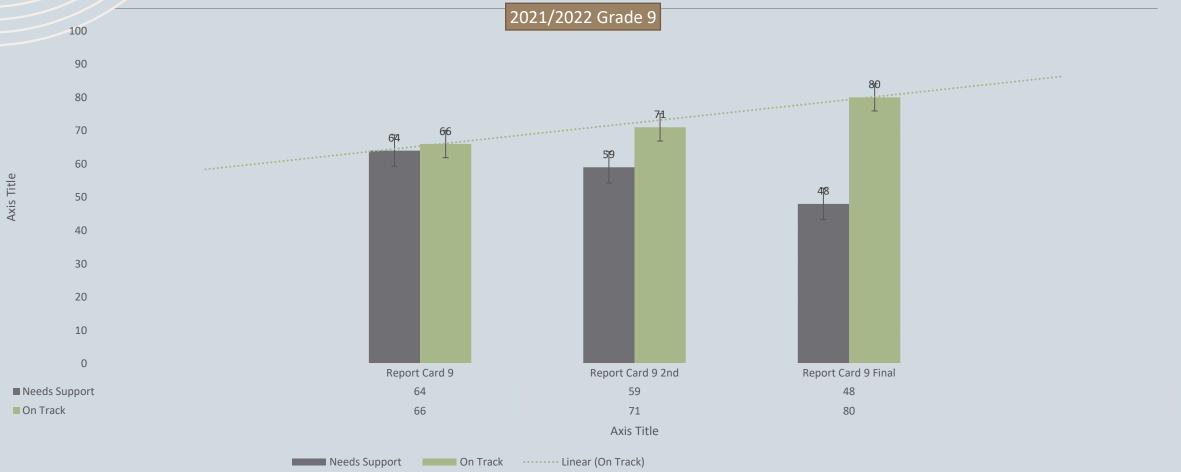


Axis Title

Grade 8 Numeracy Analysis

The final analysis of the grade 8 data shows a positive trend toward more proficient learners; however, it does not show the same success as the grade 7 data. Through the year Parkland saw 8 more grade 8 students gain a proficient standard (5% growth) in comparison to the beginning of the year. Parkland's data is valid since every math student writes the same diagnostic and unit tests. The report card marks are comparable to all students in grade 8.

For this document we are focused on report card marks and at the end of grade 7. The beginning of Grade 7 demonstrated a 50% proficiency and higher standard. This data demonstrated a goal deficit of 10%. The end of the school year shows a 55% proficiency or higher standard. This data demonstrate a 5% deficit to our numeracy goal. We have not achieved our numeracy goal with this group of academic learners.



Grade 9 Data analysis

The final analysis of the grade 9 data shows a positive trend toward more proficient learners; however, it does not show the same success as the grade 7 data. The final analysis of the grade 9 data shows that the math teams work and dedication to improving student performance is paying off. The grade 9 data show a healthy trend for more proficient learners in math. Through the year Parkland saw 16 more grade 9 students gain a proficient standard (12% growth) in comparison to the beginning of the year.

For this document we are focused on report card marks and at the end of grade 9. The beginning of Grade 9 demonstrated a 50% proficiency and higher standard. This data demonstrated a goal deficit of 10%. The end of the school year shows a 62% proficiency or higher standard. This data demonstrate a 2% surplus to our numeracy goal.

Growth in Numeracy

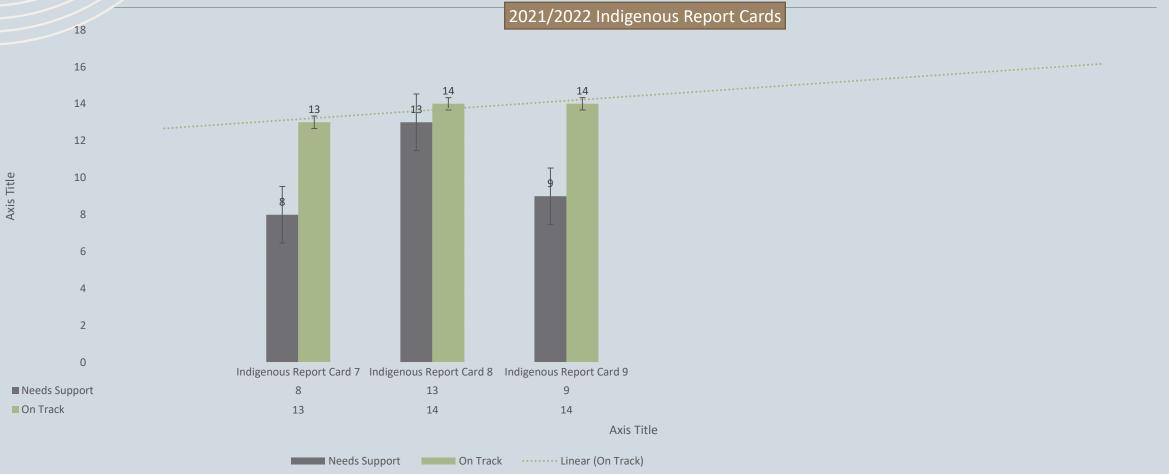
EVIDENCE OF NARRATIVE

STRATEGIC INQUIRY

A large percentage of our students are achieving proficient to extending scores in their Math classes. However, while we are noticing an increase in students achieving the levels above on their report cards, there is still room to grow and get better results. Specifically, when reviewing assessment results, we noticed a need to focus on task analysis and thinking skills. To what extent will ongoing thinking challenges lead to an increase in student achievement in numeracy?

Are the diagnostics and FSA good indicators to identify student numeracy skills and needs?

Are they numeracy support classes having a positive impact?



Grade 7,8 and 9 Indigenous Data Analysis

The final analysis of the indigenous grade 7, 8 and 9 data shows a positive trend toward more proficient or extending learners. For this document we are focused on indigenous report card marks at the end of grade 7, 8 and 9. The data shows Grade 7 are 61% at proficient or extending level at the end of the school year. Grade 8 are at 51% and the grade 9s are at 60%. The numeracy goal was not met for the grade 8 indigenous learners.

Strategic Targets and Measures - Numeracy

