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EICS students continue their success in provincial exams

Results of provincial testing for the 2003-04 school year, released Sept. 20, show that Elk Island Catholic School students have continued to achieve above the provincial average in almost all subjects tested at grades 3, 6 and 9, as well as in Grade 12 diploma exams.

“Our Grade 12 students exceeded the acceptable standard provincial average in English and Mathematics 30. More than ninety percent of grade 12 students achieved the acceptable standard in Social Studies and Physics said Bob Dulaba, Director of Instructional Services for Elk Island Catholic Schools.

“The most significant improvement was in the sciences. Last year, we targeted Chemistry and Biology for improvement, and this year, marks in both increased and exceeded our targets.”

In Grade 3 provincial achievement tests, more than 90 per cent of students exceeded the provincial acceptable standard in Language Arts and Math, with nearly 30 per cent of students achieving the standard of excellence in grade 3 math.

Ninety per cent of our grade 6 students exceeded the acceptable standard in all the subjects.

Our Grade 9, students exceeded the provincial acceptable standard in Language Arts, Science and Social Studies, while the number of students that met the provincial acceptable standard in Math increased by 6 percent, equaling the provincial average.

“Not only are we pleased by the continued positive trends in our test results, but also in the fact that our rate of participation again exceeds the average in the province for all grade 12 diploma exams,” said Dulaba.

Elk Island Catholic Schools serves more than 5,600 students in 16 schools throughout Sherwood Park, Fort Saskatchewan, Strathcona County, Vegreville and Camrose.

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* Provincial acceptable standard is a mark of 50 per cent or greater; the standard of excellence is a mark of 80 per cent or greater.