

# Alberta is Updating Provincial Curriculum

Over the next six years, Alberta Education will gather input from stakeholders and partners, which includes teachers, students, parents, superintendents, trustees, post-secondary institutions, employers, industry and apprenticeship bodies, and the broader community as an integral part of K-12 provincial curriculum development process.

### Why Change Provincial Curriculum?

While our students continue to achieve at world-class levels, the current Kindergarten to Grade 12 curriculum ranges from nine to 32 years. To ensure student success, we need our curriculum to be relevant, meaningful and engaging for all students, to reflect the importance of inclusion, diversity and pluralism and to include First Nations, Métis and Inuit experiences and perspectives as well as Francophone perspectives.

How will future curriculum help students, teachers and parents?

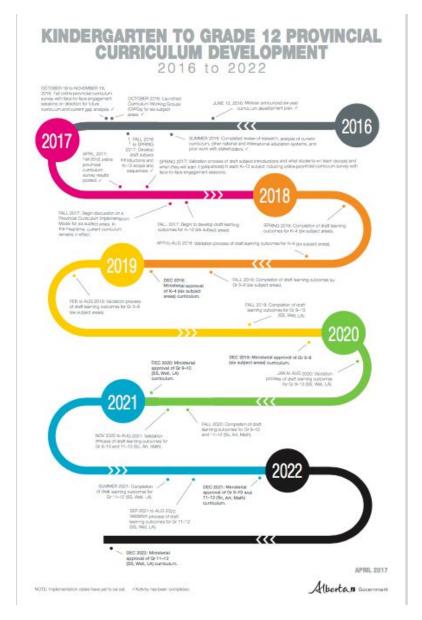
A responsive and relevant provincial curriculum, goes beyond "learning about" to "learning to do." This will make it easier for teachers to plan across subjects, improving the overall learning experience for student and reducing teachers' planning time. Parents will share common curriculum language to make it easier to have conversations with teachers across subject areas.

#### What is Curriculum?

Alberta's Kindergarten to Grade 12 (K–12) curriculum, also known as programs of study, identifies "what" students are expected to know, understand and be able to do in each subject and grade. Teachers have the flexibility to determine "how" students achieve the expected learning outcomes to bring the provincial curriculum to life in the classroom through meaningful activities.

# **Targeted Timelines for Curriculum Development**

- Grades K-4, December 2018
- Grades 5–8, December 2019
- Grades 9–10 (3 subject areas), December 2020
- Grades 9–10 (3 subject areas) + 11–12 (3 subject areas), December 2021
- Grades 11–12 (3 subject areas), December 2022



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## **Additional Updates**

More information will be provided about curriculum development and the transition process as it becomes available.