



## Your Voice Matters.

Alberta Education needs your opinion to help ensure every child is prepared for success.

The Accountability Pillar Survey gives your school, your school authority and your provincial government important information about the quality of education your child is receiving. Results are used to find out what's working and identify areas for improvement.

Accountability is a key element in the success of the education system. I believe that assessing the progress of schools helps us ensure the best possible outcomes for every child.

Completing the survey enables you to help shape the future of education throughout the province. We are committed to working with you and many other stakeholders to educate the next generation of Albertans.

Thank you for helping us strengthen the education system.

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Minister of Education

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**Please complete the survey online or return your completed survey in the enclosed, pre-paid envelope by [February 28, 2020](#).**

# A true picture of our success.

## Measuring the quality of your child's education

We want to know that our children and students in Alberta are receiving a quality education in a great school. Grades are important, but there's more to it.

A great school and its staff help every child to make the most of their talents and abilities.

Great schools are caring and secure and encourage parents to play a key role. Their vision is focused on each student's success.

### While it's easy to agree on such goals, how do we measure our progress toward them?

The Accountability Pillar is an innovative and straightforward way to measure our learning goals as schools, school authorities and as a provincial government.

Results are provided in a colour-coded and easy-to-read report so everyone in the community can review it. At a glance, it points out successes and areas of concern from both a local and provincial perspective.

The results report shows which measures have improved, which have remained constant and which have declined. It allows everyone—parents, teachers, school authorities, students and the province—to celebrate successes and respond to challenges together.

## The Accountability Pillar looks at:

- **Survey results.** Every year between January and March, we survey students, their parents and teachers to see how they perceive the quality of education they receive and take part in.
- **Student learning indicators** such as dropout rates, high school completion rates and the number of students eligible to receive Rutherford Scholarships.
- **Student results** from Provincial Achievement Tests and Diploma Exams.

Details about the Accountability Pillar and how to obtain results are available online at [alberta.ca/accountability-education-system.aspx](http://alberta.ca/accountability-education-system.aspx)

If you have a concern about your school that is not addressed in this survey, please consider contacting your school or school district directly for further discussion.