

# Northern Home Education Centre

## School Results and Plan of Action

<p><b>GOAL #1: EVERY STUDENT IS SUCCESSFUL</b></p> <p><b>GOAL #2: QUALITY TEACHING AND SCHOOL LEADERSHIP</b></p> <p><b>GOAL #3: EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE</b></p>
<p><b>DIVISION PRIORITIES:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FVSD will foster connectivity and well-being amongst community, students, parents and staff</li> <li>2. All students will improve literacy skills</li> <li>3. All students will improve numeracy skills</li> </ol>

### SCHOOL GOALS

<p><b><i>School Goal 1: Northern Home Education Centre will create an atmosphere of partnership and connections between all stakeholders, parents, students, NHEC staff, and community members.</i></b></p>
<p>Target and Measurement Tools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase in NEW families coming to NHEC (from other homeschool providers or private schools).</li> <li>• The participation of students and families taking part in Health and Wellness activities.</li> <li>• The number of families within the FVSD that choose NHEC as their homeschool provider.</li> <li>• Increase in the number of families opting for a blended program.</li> </ul>
<p>Results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Northern Home Education Centre has increased their enrollment by about 150 students for the current 2023-2024 school year.</li> <li>• We have increased the number of families we serve and currently sit at 220 families registered.</li> <li>• We have seen an increase in the number of participants in our activities. We have brought in new activities like volleyball and a Christmas concert to our overall program. More students have attended our gym afternoon/night programs and appreciate the physical education atmosphere.</li> <li>• We have seen a slight decrease in the number of students choosing blended learning options in both English Language Arts and Mathematics.</li> </ul>
<p>Plan moving forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving forward we will continue to offer a variety of current and new activities to our families. We will try to engage those families and students who wish to be a part of a competitive FVSD sports program. Currently we are focusing on the sports of volleyball and basketball in this regard.</li> <li>• We will continue to advertise what we do as a local homeschool provider within the Fort Vermilion School Division.</li> <li>• Positive dialogue within our community, resulting from our activities and programming is the most effective way of increasing our overall numbers.</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>School Goal 2: To increase the capacity of families to offer excellent literacy programming to their children.</i></b></p>
<p>Target and Measurement Tools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Literacy based workshops presented throughout the school year.</li> <li>• An Alberta grade level compliant, Language Arts program. This will focus on spelling, phonics, handwriting, reading and writing.</li> <li>• To provide specialized programming for families and students who will benefit from remedial instruction.</li> </ul>

Results:

- Slight decrease in the number of students accessing our blended learning options.
- Approximately 75-80 students who are enrolled in our grade level compliant language arts programming.
- A lower than expected turn out for the parent writing workshop held here in our building.
- An increase in the number of families who access specialized programming within their homeschool programs.

Plan moving forward:

- To continue hosting our curriculum sharing event. This is an excellent way for families to gain a sense of the different literacy options available to them within homeschool curriculums.
- To offer literacy workshops to both parents and students in an effort to promote best practices.
- To link in with a local homeschool group who offers writing-based instruction in a large group classroom format.

***School Goal 3: To improve numeracy skills and relate ideas to real life practical concepts***

Target and Measurement Tools:

- Students see the value of mathematics in everyday life (careers).
- Number of parents and students involved with the game nights and numeracy workshops.
- All field trips strive to include a numeracy focus.
- The number of families who use a portion of their financial spending to purchase numeracy resources.

Results:

- We have had the most success in small group tutoring sessions versus large group workshops.
- Focusing on how mathematics relates to real life during field trips was introduced but can be refined further.
- We have had some success in guiding families to purchase certain numeracy resources, such as flashcards, manipulatives and mathematics dictionaries.

Plan moving forward:

- To create a list of companies and resources available to our families which would support high quality numeracy instruction and resource purchase.
- To offer small and large group workshops for students and parents in areas of concern within their regular numeracy programming.
- To continue with our curriculum sharing event in an effort to share best practices and options within numeracy instruction.