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GREATER **ST. A**LBERT **C**ATHOLIC **S**TUDENTS CONTINUE TO EXCEL AND DEMONSTRATE STRONG PERFORMANCE YEAR AFTER YEAR.

PROVINCIAL RESULTS A REASON FOR CELEBRATION.

October 14, 2011 (St. Albert, Morinville, Legal) - David Keohane, Superintendent is pleased to announce that results of provincial testing for the 2010-2011 school year demonstrate that students in the Greater St. Albert Catholic School Division have reason to pause and celebrate their achievements on the Provincial Achievement Tests and Grade 12 Diploma Exams. We also applaud the commitment and dedication of their teachers and the continued support of their parents for being engaged in their child's education and supporting and promoting academic success.

The 2011 Provincial Achievement Tests, written by all grades 3, 6 and 9 students and the 2010-2011 Diploma Examination Results continue to demonstrate a tradition of achievement. "Maintaining strong performance year over year allows the school division to focus its efforts on moving more students to a level of achieving excellence in all subject areas" said David Keohane.

These tests are one of the tools used by school divisions to measure trends over time and progress towards the goals that are set in the Three-year Education Plan. Teachers and administrators review test results to identify areas in their methods of instruction that can be modified to enhance areas of excellence and increase achievement. These results are shared with individual school communities and incorporated into their school improvement plans. More information on the school division's results will be shared at the public board meeting at Notre Dame School on Monday, October 17, 2011.

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Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools delivers a faith-based education to over 6,000 students in the communities of St. Albert, Morinville and Legal. The school division is consistently a top performing division in the province that offers programming from K-12 including the International Baccalaurete program, French Immersion, Sports Academies and Full-day Kindergarten options.