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District Report Card Highlights Student Success, and Education Quality.

A+ Ranking Provincially!

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October 7, 2016 (St. Albert, Legal, Morinville) Yesterday, the province released the final Accountability Pillar Reports that measure school board performance, including student achievement, the quality of education, school environment and graduation rates. Consistent with previous years, the District continues to receive top marks!

Student achievement is outstanding, with more students performing at the level of excellence, and significantly ahead of the province on their diploma and achievement test results. In addition, we know that students and their families are valuing education as evidenced by having close to 9 out of 10 students graduate within 3 years and the District posting one of the lowest, if not the lowest, dropout rate. What is most encouraging is the results demonstrate that all students can experience success.

Success for all students begins with providing a high quality education and a safe and caring learning environment. The District continues to receive top ranking on these and other measures highlighted in the report card. All of these accomplishments are done within an inclusive school environment and with dedicated staff. Schools will now begin the work of reviewing their results to identify the areas that would impact student learning the most and make adjustments to further success.

"Every year we have the privilege to witness outstanding results and when compared provincially, it's truly an A+ ranking. Our challenge will be to identify those adjustments that will see our schools continue to succeed and retain the District's place as a leader provincially" comments Board Chair, Serena Shaw.

The <u>Province Accountability Pillar Report</u> and <u>District report</u> can be viewed online.

<u>Provincial Achievement Test & Diploma Examination results</u> can also be viewed on Alberta Education's website. For more information on the provincial and District reports, please contact:

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