



Avon Maitland District School Board
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AMDSB Municipal Update 2017

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Outline

- **Our District by the Numbers**
- **Renewed Strategic Plan**
- **Inclusion**
- **Renewed Math Strategy**
- **Pathways to Success**
- **International Education**
- **Looking Ahead**

Our District by the Numbers

- **15,250 students**
 - **10,072 Elementary**
 - **5,178 Secondary**
- **30 Elementary Schools**
- **10 Secondary Schools**
 - **7 are Grades 7 to 12**
 - **2 are Grades 9 to 12**
 - **1 E-Learning School**
- **Over 2,400 full and part-time staff**
- **2016-2017 Operating Budget: \$200M**



Renewed Strategic Plan

- **Strategic Plan for 2016-2020 approved in June 2016**

We Will

Create Positive, Inclusive Learning Environments

And

Maximize Outcomes for Students

By

Engaging our students, staff, families, communities and our world

Inspiring with evidence-informed teaching and learning

Innovating through the creative potential of emerging technologies

Guided by the Principles of Equity, Character, & Stewardship

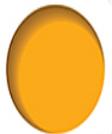


Inclusion

- **More students in regular classrooms**
- **Elimination of self-contained classrooms**
- **Extra supports in place for classroom teachers**
- **Amazing success stories**
- **Review of our work in progress**



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Renewed Math Strategy

Ontario's renewed math strategy (RMS) will help students, teachers, schools and districts in achieving stronger math results and better position our young people for the jobs of today and tomorrow.

There are four key objectives of the RMS:

- **to increase student achievement in mathematics**
- **to increase educator math knowledge and pedagogical expertise**
- **to increase leader capacity to support effective math pedagogy and school improvement**
- **to increase parent engagement in their children's math learning**

Pathways to success

- **We believe:**
 - All students can be successful.
 - Success comes in many forms.
 - There are many pathways to success
- Students now begin education & career planning in elementary school
- We are a provincial leader in providing opportunities to explore different pathways:
 - Co-op
 - College Dual-credits
 - Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP)
 - Specialist High Skills Major programs



High Skills Majors

- **CHSS – Health & Wellness, Information & Com. Tech, Manufacturing**
- **FEMSS – Health & Wellness, Construction**
- **GDCI – Environment, Hospitality & Tourism**
- **LDSS – Construction, Health & Wellness, Manufacturing**
- **MDHS – Agriculture, Hospitality & Tourism**
- **SHDHS – Transportation**
- **St. Mary's DCVI – Environment**
- **SCSS – Arts & Culture, Information & Com. Tech**
- **SNSS – Energy, Health & Wellness, Hospitality & Tourism, Manufacturing, Transportation**

- Over 256 international students, most since launch
- Students from Brazil, Mexico, Spain, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, South Korea, Japan, Vietnam, Denmark, Thailand, Finland and China
- Students placed at every high school and some elementary schools
- Internationalization includes travel opportunities for our students to countries including Taiwan, Italy and St. Maarten
- International student summer program – **Capture Canada** . Up to 50 international students will learn English and explore Huron and Perth counties in an immersive experience



Looking Ahead

- **Declining enrolment slowing, already stable in our elementary schools; Secondary enrolment has some challenges**
- **International Education is growing and providing more opportunities for our students**
- **The future is bright for Avon Maitland Students:**
 - **Continued focus on literacy and numeracy**
 - **Pursuing innovation to improve student outcomes**
 - **Maximizing outcomes for students**
 - **Creating inclusive environments**
 - **Ongoing research to ensure program effectiveness**





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Thank You