



River East Collegiate

2014-2015 Report to the Community

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Our Mission

River East Collegiate challenges individuals to explore and grow within changing environments by developing academic skills and by encouraging the development of personal and social values, leading to achievement at the highest possible levels.

Value Statements

River East Collegiate is a UNESCO school and shares its values of:

- **Learning to Know** – providing the cognitive tools required to better comprehend the world and its complexities and to provide an appropriate and adequate foundation for future learning.
- **Learning to Do** – to provide the skills that would enable individuals to effectively participate in the global economy and society.
- **Learning to Be** – to provide self-analytical and social skills to enable individuals to develop to their fullest potential psycho-socially, affectively, as well as physically, for an all-round complete person
- **Learning to Live Together** – to expose individuals to the values implicit within human rights, democratic principles, intercultural understanding and respect and peace at all levels of society and human relationships to enable individuals and societies to live in peace and harmony.

About River East Collegiate

- We are located in an urban area serving the community of North Kildonan, East St. Paul and St. Clements and have served the community since 1960.
- We are a grade 9-12 school with a total of 1190 students.
- We offer strong academic programs, advanced placement programs, technology education, languages, international education, German bilingual and special education programs.
- We have 76 teachers and 35 support staff to support our community.
- We are a community school offering over 160 course selections and a wide range of program choices.
- We have an extensive co-curricular and extra-curricular program.

2016-2017 School Priorities

Our school priorities have been influenced by provincial and divisional priorities, student, parent and staff feedback, data gathered in 2015-2016 and our mission statement and values.

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To strengthen assessment practice in order to inform teaching and to enhance learning. All teachers will use outcomes based gradebooks for all courses.

(2) Technology

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(3) Safe Schools

To promote a positive approach to safety and belonging; continuing to create a positive school wide culture.

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Our Successes 2015-2016

- We had 298 graduates (278 Regular Diplomas, 3 Dual Diploma Honours – Software Technology Diplomas, 1 Dual Diploma Honours – Business Education Diploma, 3 Dual Diploma – Business Education Diplomas, 4 Individualized Senior Year Program Diplomas, 9 Mature Student Diplomas).
- We had 7 students complete the High School Apprenticeship program and 8 completed the Community volunteer credit.
- We had 14 Advanced Placement Scholars, 2 Advanced Placement Scholar with Honours, 1 Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction and 1 National Advanced Placement Scholar Canada.
- Grade 9 students participated in Take Your Kid to Work Day, a Volunteer presentation and a Free the Children presentation.
- Students exceeded the average on the grade 12 provincial ELA assessment.
- Multiple students received scholarships. Rashawna Blair won the MAST Citizenship Award and the George Harbottle Memorial Award in total one received \$10,000.00 towards her education.
- Nicole Rogowsky won a Gold Achievement Duke of Edinburgh's Award and did a presentation honoring a former Ukrainian female trustee at the legislature.
- Students had access to 60 laptops in the classroom and library.
- Outstanding achievements in athletics:
 - Grade 9 girl's volleyball team won provincials (second year in a row)
 - Kodiak football: Leo Robertson was awarded most courageous, Noah Lexier-MVP Defense & John Potter Award, Mike Brennan-MVP Special Teams, Brendan Barylski-MVP Rookie, Jason Henderson-MVP Utilities, Mike Geglawa-MVP Lineman, Josh Bevan-John Potter Award and Birhanu Yitna-MVP Gord Puttaert Award
 - Basketball – varsity girls Tier 2 finalists; KPAC all-stars: Sarah Buchan, Gordon Njesic, Katarina Gomes and Dolapo Ogungbemi. (Manitoba graduating all-star in basketball was Jeanelle Hauser)
 - KPAC indoor track and field: Taryn Warnock won the 60m, 200m, 400m races for JV girls. Darnell Wyke won the long jump for Varsity Boys, Kezia Balzer won the 800m and 1500m races for varsity girls, Angela Kroeker placed 2nd in 1500m and 3rd in the 800m for JV girls.
 - MHSHL hockey all-stars were: Dane Coubrough, Cory Boehm, Tyler Pal and Liam Hutchison.
 - Women's hockey player Kelsey McHolm was the top scorer in the WWHSHL
 - KPAC outdoor track and field championships: JV girl's category, Angela Kroeker won the 1500m, 3000m and 2nd in 800m. Allison Lage placed 2nd in the 1500m and 3000m. Taryn Warnock won the 100m, 200m and the 400m! Skyler Abreham was 2nd in the 400m. JV boys, Ness Dalling finished 3rd in the 3000m race, varsity girl Kezia Balzer won the 800m, 1500m and 3000m races! Alba Andres placed 2nd in the 200m. In the varsity boy's category, Brayden Sul won the Javelin event and Darnell Wyke won in triple jump, and placed 2nd in the long and high jump events.
 - Junior varsity girls won KPAC in all running sports this year (cross country, indoor and outdoor track)
 - Badminton - Rachel Ferstl – KPAC finalist, grade 9 girl's doubles – finalists
 - Soccer - girls KPAC champions and provincial bronze medallists
 - Lacrosse - Division 1 champions and provincial champions
 - Parent Council held 6 meetings throughout the year.
 - REC students participated in many school trips including: Encounters in Canada, Fernie ski trip, multicultural exchange experience – Camp Cedarwood, Hamburg/German exchange, service learning trip – Costa Rica, Silicon Valley technology tour – San Francisco, canoe trip to Lone Island, MHSAA track and field provincials – Brandon
 - REC hosted 16 International students and 7 German exchange students.
 - Student council hosted a grade 9 orientation and barbeque, a dance, the spring Kodiak "Karnival", karaoke in the cafeteria, spirit week, Remembrance Day, grad garden party and a pep rally.
 - Our music program held a winter and spring concert at North Kildonan Mennonite Brethren Church, a New Music concert, winter jazz/choral concert, participated in the Brandon and Optimist festivals. Our jazz ensemble went to Lansing, Michigan to participate in a regional Ellington festival. We participated in the WSO event; shared our music at several middle and elementary schools and participated in the Winnipeg Jazz Orchestra concert. Our REC chamber choir was chosen to perform at the Winnipeg Evening of Excellence.
 - The UNESCO team/Students without Borders participated in numerous local, national and international events. They organized an assembly delivering a positive message about mental health awareness. Four student and 2 staff attended the International UNESCO conference.
 - REC partnered with MSIP focussing on incorporating UNESCO's core value into our daily work.
 - Run for the Cure team won the School Challenge and raised over \$5,800.00.
 - Key Club completed fundraising and awareness campaigns including the Healthy Initiative Week, Humane Society, Ronald MacDonald House and visitations to Donwood Manor and raised funds for Harvest.
 - REC students participated in the Natural Helpers retreat; Drama Fest, MADD presentation, Breast Cancer Awareness hockey game.
 - REC production of "Almost Maine".
 - Big Brother/Big Sister mentors participated in a variety of activities throughout the year.
 - A female student represented REC at the International Day of the Girl.
 - Soapstone artist Michael Many Eagles worked with our art students and AAA students.
 - Mr. Kula was nominated as an Outstanding Educator by a former University of Manitoba Science student.