

ALMADINA LANGUAGE CHARTER ACADEMY

Annual Education Results Report (AERR) Summary for Parents and Community – Priorities and Accomplishments

At Almadina Language Charter Academy we encourage our students to become contributing global citizens who understand what it means to give back. We believe our students can become local, national and international leaders who navigate using a strong moral compass. We stress academic excellence and strive to be Alberta's premier English as a Second Language school.

Quick Facts:

- 20 years in operation
- 2 campuses (looking for third)
- Kindergarten to Grade 9
- 17 bus routes
- Full day Kindergarten
- 1,112 Student Enrolment
- Student waitlist of over 700 children

Teachers & Learning Support Team:

- 61 Teachers
- 2 Inclusion Teachers
- 6 International Language Instructors
- 31 Education Assistants & Support Staff
- 1 School Councillor
- 1 ELL Coordinator
- 1 Educational Technologist

Innovations in Learning:

At Almadina, we optimize student academic potential while focusing on English language learning (ELL).

- Homework Club is available four days per week
- Emphasis throughout schools is on "learning academic content through language" rather than English as a Second Language
- We utilize the "learning by design" unit planning format aligned with the Alberta Program of Studies and our Charter
- We offer Saturday School for students who require extra academic support

Almadina Highlights:

- Consistently high Provincial Achievement Test (PAT) results
- Excellent Pillar results
- 2016 is Almadina's 20 Year Anniversary
- 2013 CD Howe names Almadina one of the Top 12 performing schools

Almadina Cares:

Our staff, students and community do extensive fundraising locally and internationally to help those less fortunate. At Almadina we believe that character and citizenship is developed through giving. We encourage our staff and students to participate in local events.

Discover Reading:

We are now in our fifth year researching the Discover Reading program in partnership with the Reading Foundation. This is an innovative project that is designed to help struggling readers. The results so far are outstanding.

Virtues Program:

Our Virtues Program is provided throughout our curriculum and provides our students with the foundations for good citizenship and character.

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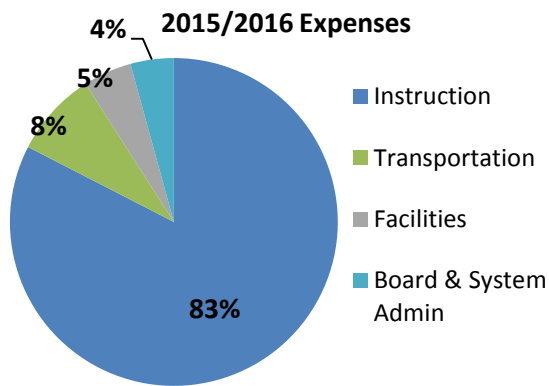


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Opportunities and Challenges:

We continue to reach out to students and community for ideas about bettering the options program (Program of Studies). As a small school we have limited ability to provide a large range of options; however, we endeavor to engage students in authentic, interesting options.



Staff Engagement – Professional Development:

Our teachers are supported to engage in Professional Development that will enhance their teaching practice.

Parent and Community Engagement:

We have a diverse community that represents over 35 countries, many languages and many cultures.

- Increase the opportunities for sharing
- Continue to support and encourage research and partnerships
- Continue to emphasize respect throughout the student body
- Continue to engage parents in authentic conversations about education
- Continue to provide Board and School Council training opportunities focused on governance

Combined 2016 Accountability Pillar Overall Summary

Measure Category	Measure Category Evaluation	Measure	Almadina School Society			Alberta			Measure Evaluation		
			Current Result	Prev Year Result	Prev 3 Year Average	Current Result	Prev Year Result	Prev 3 Year Average	Achievement	Improvement	Overall
Safe and Caring Schools	Good	Safe and Caring	84.9	84.8	85.6	89.5	89.2	89.1	High	Maintained	Good
Student Learning Opportunities	n/a	Program of Studies	71.3	74.8	76.7	81.9	81.3	81.4	Low	Declined	Issue
		Education Quality	89.6	90.6	91.1	90.1	89.5	89.5	Very High	Maintained	Excellent
		Drop Out Rate	0.0	3.7	1.9	3.2	3.5	3.5	Very High	Maintained	Excellent
		High School Completion Rate (3 yr)	n/a	n/a	n/a	76.5	76.5	75.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
Student Learning Achievement (Grades K-9)	Excellent	PAT: Acceptable	88.1	86.3	88.0	73.6	72.9	73.4	Very High	Maintained	Excellent
		PAT: Excellence	27.7	32.2	32.3	19.4	18.8	18.6	Very High	Maintained	Excellent
Student Learning Achievement (Grades 10-12)	n/a	Diploma: Acceptable	n/a	n/a	n/a	85.0	85.2	85.1	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Diploma: Excellence	n/a	n/a	n/a	21.0	21.0	20.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Diploma Exam Participation Rate (4+ Exams)	n/a	n/a	n/a	54.6	54.4	53.5	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate	n/a	n/a	n/a	60.8	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Preparation for Lifelong Learning, World of Work, Citizenship	n/a	Transition Rate (6 yr)	n/a	n/a	n/a	59.4	59.7	59.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Work Preparation	86.8	88.3	86.7	82.6	82.0	81.1	Very High	Maintained	Excellent
		Citizenship	78.1	80.1	80.5	83.9	83.5	83.4	High	Maintained	Good
Parental Involvement	Good	Parental Involvement	80.9	84.1	85.1	80.9	80.7	80.5	High	Maintained	Good
Continuous Improvement	Excellent	School Improvement	83.6	82.9	85.1	81.2	79.6	80.0	Very High	Maintained	Excellent

For Almadina's Combined 3-Year Education Plan & AERR and Detailed Financial Information visit:

<http://esl-almadina.com/about/board/documents-and-publications/>

For the provincial roll up of Audited Financial Statements visit:

<https://education.alberta.ca/financial-statements/combined-statements>