

Information for Parents

Parents can access information about the curriculum and learning resources in a number of ways:

- \geq your child's teacher or school
- **Curriculum Summaries** \geq
- Curriculum Handbooks
- Programs of Study on the Alberta Education \geq Web site.

How Can I Help My Child At Home?

Show interest in school activities by:

- asking questions \geq
- helping with homework and projects \geq
- setting aside time and a place for your child \geq to complete homework
- reading to and with your child. \geq

Use Alberta Education and other resources produced for parents, such as

- > The Parent Advantage—*Tips and strategies* for helping with homework in grades 1 through 9.
- > LearnAlberta.ca Web site—Online *multimedia learning resources that directly* relate to the Alberta programs of study. http://learnalberta.ca
- **TELUS 2Learn Web site**—An education- \geq business partnership that provides Internet inservice, support and mentorship for Alberta teachers. http://www.2learn.ca

Schooling in Alberta

Curriculum describes what students are expected to learn. Alberta Education develops the curriculum in consultation with teachers, administrators, parents, representatives from post-secondary institutions, and professional and community groups.

Teachers use the curriculum to plan learning activities that meet their students' needs and abilities. They regularly assess student progress, reporting to parents, students and administrators.

Provincial Achievement Tests

As well as being assessed by their teachers, students write provincial achievement tests in grades 3, 6 and 9. Grade 6 students write tests in English language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. Parents can obtain information on the tests and their child's test results from their child's school.

Languages

Cree

French

German

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- Blackfoot Italian Chinese (Mandarin) \geq Japanese
 - Punjabi \geq
 - \geq Spanish
 - \geq Ukrainian

These languages as well as others may be available at your child's school. For more information, contact the local school board.

Where Can I Get More Information?

- The Alberta Education Web site http://education.alberta.ca/
- > Arts, Communications and Citizenship Telephone: 780-427-2984 Fax: 780-422-3745 E-mail: curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca
- Digital Design and Resource Authorization Telephone: 780-427-2984 Fax: 780-422-3745 E-mail: curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca
- Distributed Learning Telephone: 780-674-5350 Fax: 780-674-6561 E-mail: DLB.General@gov.ab.ca
- First Nations. Métis and Inuit Services Telephone: 780-415-9300 Fax: 780-415-9306 E-mail: FNMIServices@gov.ab.ca
- French Language Education Services Telephone: 780-427-2940 Fax: 780-422-1947 E-mail: LSB@edc.gov.ab.ca
- Learner Assessment Telephone: 780-427-0010 Fax: 780-422-4200 E-mail: LAcontact@edc.gov.ab.ca
- Mathematics and Science Telephone: 780-427-2984 Fax: 780-422-3745 E-mail: curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca
- Special Education Branch Telephone: 780-422-6326 Fax: 780-422-2039 E-mail: Special.Education@gov.ab.ca



Grade 6

Curriculum Summary





