



RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL

WONDER LIVES HERE

STRATEGIC PLAN 2016 – 2021



VISION

To curate opportunities for learning and discovery that are as dynamic as the world around us.

MISSION

To be an exceptional educator that embraces the unique talents of every child. Our adaptive model of educational delivery supports different learning styles to ensure that every student is capable of achieving their personal best.

VALUES

Independence
Creativity
Citizenship

At River Valley School, we value social and character development as much as academic development. 🦋



I. GUIDING PRINCIPLE

We cultivate and facilitate **experiences that inspire** and support **academic excellence, creativity and risk taking** for our students.

OBJECTIVE

Personalize the learning experience for our students to ensure each child is provided with what they need to achieve greatness.

STRATEGIES

Therefore, we will:

Advance implementation of educational technologies and flexible learning spaces to deepen, support or extend opportunities for individual and collaborative inquiry.

Establish enrichment programs for students that encourage cross curricular projects, experiential hands on learning opportunities and partnerships in the community.

Determine an appropriate campus design to unite all students with a variety of academic, athletic, social & fine arts spaces inside and outside.



II. GUIDING PRINCIPLE

We believe people are **capable of greatness** when they are **engaged and inspired**.

OBJECTIVE

Be an engaging & dynamic educational community committed to the development of each individual.



STRATEGIES

Therefore, we will:

Contribute to and draw upon promising practices in the areas of education, technology and health & wellness.

Employ, develop and retain the best faculty and staff.



III. GUIDING PRINCIPLE

We **connect and involve** our students, staff and families to ensure RVS is a **dynamic and responsive place to learn**, now and in the future.

OBJECTIVE

Reinforce a robust and engaged school community.

STRATEGIES

Therefore, we will:

Provide opportunities to educate and empower our students, teachers and families (i.e., create a speaker series on childhood development, learning theory and wellness and establish a student council).

Complete a feasibility study of continuing RVS programming into grades 7-9.

Implement a strategic enrolment management plan (SEM) to increase engagement with students, staff, parents, alumni and the broader community.



IV. GUIDING PRINCIPLE

We operate an **ethical and responsible not for profit organization** with a strong governance model.

OBJECTIVE

Ensure the sustainability of the school society.



STRATEGIES

Therefore, we will:

Actively set policy that reflects best employment and organizational practices.

Ensure River Valley School has the resources to carry out the mission.

Establish guidelines for a strong succession plan for the Board of Directors & the Head of School.



Continue to evaluate and pursue beneficial accreditations and strategic partnerships.

Engage in brand identity development.

V. GUIDING PRINCIPLE

We are a community that is **conscious of the strength of partnerships** and their **power to affect change**. We **nurture young leaders** who value the importance of making a **difference in the world**.

OBJECTIVE

Promote school culture, partnerships and outreach work.

STRATEGIES Therefore, we will:

Build and sustain positive and collaborative relationships with our local community.

Maintain & generate partnerships with local and global outreach initiatives.

Offer financial assistance (in the form of bursaries and scholarships) to children in the immediate area of Bowness/Montgomery.

Nurture a commitment to personal excellence, respect for self and others, leadership, good personal work habits.

Promote environmental stewardship throughout the school and broader community.

Develop relationships and maintain contact with alumni network.



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