

Our Priorities

Faith Goal - Arise-Get Up, Get Going and Go with God

At SGEC we intentionally address our faith theme (ARISE) in order to help students and staff model and live like Jesus

Excellence - Student Growth and Achievement:

At SGEC we will intentionally focus on increasing our levels of engagement with our students.

Equity - Learning Supports

At SGEC students will have access to educational, physical and mental health supports.

Relationships - Teaching and Learning

At SGEC we intentionally build relationships with students to further educational and emotional growth.

Responsiveness - Governance and Context

At SGEC we will continue to engage our parents, students and staff in the strategies that we use to improve our results.

Our Results

Alberta Assurance Survey Results

Standard	SGEC	Alberta
Safe and Caring	93.5	84.0
Education Quality	90.5	86.3
Academic Engagement	83.8	71.8
School Improvement	95.3	79.1

Division Assurance Survey Results

Standard	SGEC Current	SGEC 2020/2021
Feel Welcome	93.3	92.3
Good reputation	86.7	76.9
Differentiate	93.3	92.3
Access Information	93.3	92.3
Receive Feedback to Improve (new measure)	93.3	N/A
Opportunities to support student engagement (new measure)	93.3	N/A

Celebrating Our Faith

Permeation:

At SGEC we continue to celebrate our faith through liturgies, prayers and connections with our parish and division chaplain. We ARISE to serve our community through social justice projects such as collecting food for Lac St. Anne Parish, our Christmas toy drive, support for Catholic Social Services ministries and our staff faith retreat where we serve by making lunches for under-privileged children in Edmonton.

Our division chaplain utilizes his Chaplain in Residence program to introduce students to reflective activities designed to create deeper meaning and connection to the community and their faith. We also invite Father Ignacy to our events so that we can foster a connection between the students and the parish.

Religious Celebrations:

Thanksgiving liturgy
Remembrance Day liturgy
Advent liturgy
Ash Wednesday liturgy
Easter liturgy
Graduation and Year End liturgy

Father Ignacy from St. Albert Parish presides over our liturgies when possible. Our junior high Online Learning Pathway joins us via Google Meet for our celebrations and liturgies.

A Culture of Service, Safety & Respect

Serving the Oppressed and Those in Need:

At SGEC we ARISE to serve those in need through social justice projects like gathering food for the hungry, collecting toys for children, and supporting Catholic Social Services. Through relationships and deep conversations with students, we are able to identify those in need and support them through our Nutrition program, as well as helping them with making connections to community supports such as housing, mental health, grants for education, and applying for post-secondary schools.

Student Safety:

Our mandate at St. Gabriel Education Centre is to serve the high school students of Greater St. Albert Catholic School Division with their educational needs. Along with students from GSACRD, we also serve a diverse population of mature students, adults, distance, and online learners. With the support of our teachers, counsellor, and administration team, we work daily to provide a safe place for students to learn. We focus on inclusion, respect, support and the premise that all people can learn, regardless of their situation in life. We celebrate differences and diversity and support students to achieve their goals.

Inclusive Learning:

All students who are new to SGEC review with an administrator, teacher, or counsellor their specific learning goals and needs. This intake process allows our teachers to be more aware of, and to celebrate the uniqueness, strengths, and talents of each and every one of our students. Through individualized programming, we include all students in their own learning.

Engaged Learning

Engagement:

Percentage of students who agree that they are engaged in their learning at school:
SGEC - 83.8%
Alberta - 71.8%

Students at SGEC report that they understand the importance of the subjects that they are learning and that their classes are interesting to them. (data source - Alberta Education Assurance Measure).

Well-being:

73.3% of our students report on our division assurance survey that they are taught about healthy living and well-being. With increased counsellor time this year, we will address mental health and well-being with students. Strategies include:

- Individual and group counselling sessions
- Girls Group sessions
- Connections to community agencies
- Grant writing for income support services

We also have an increased focus on mental health by providing a section on our website dedicated to mental health initiatives and support services. Mental health is also highlighted in social media posts and newsletters to families.

Student Leadership in Our School:

A focus for SGEC this year and in the future will be to create leadership opportunities for students. In the past, students were able to participate in Pathways which was a service and leadership oriented group. Between the move and COVID protocols, this group is not operational currently and leadership opportunities are limited at this time.