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Prairie Valley graduation rates some of the highest in the province

Graduation rates in Prairie Valley School Division are among the highest in the province.

The on-time graduation rate (three years to graduate from Grade 10 to 12) for all Prairie Valley School Division students is 10 percentage points higher than the provincial average and increased from 85 per cent in 2015-16 to 86 per cent in 2016-17.

The Government of Saskatchewan released provincial graduation rate results on September 22, 2017. (<http://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/news-and-media/2017/september/22/prov-graduation-rate>).

First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students' on-time graduation rates are also more than 10 percentage points higher than the provincial average at 54 per cent for the 2016-2017 school year.

"The success of our students is a direct reflection of not only their own hard work and dedication, but that of our teachers, administrators and support staff," said Ben Grebinski, Director of Education in the Prairie Valley School Division. "We set the bar high for our students and staff, and every year, they meet the challenge."

The Division's overall five-year graduation rate (five years to graduate from Grade 10 to 12) stayed at 90 per cent in the 2016-2017 school year. While the First Nations, Metis and Inuit five-year graduation rate dropped slightly from 65 per cent in 2015-2016 to 64 per cent in 2016-2017, the rate has increased nearly 20 percentage points over the last five years.

"This year we are developing a graduation rate team to support our students in meeting their graduation goals through our framework for student success," Grebinski explained. "We know we still have work to do to close the achievement gap and give every student the best possible opportunities, but we've come a long way and I am proud of what our students and staff have accomplished."

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