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## May Accountability Pillar Results

The May 2020 Accountability Pillar results were presented at today's public Board meeting. Alberta Education releases the Accountability Pillar each May and October and it is a 'report card' from the province on the achievements of school divisions in Alberta.

The high school completion rate for Edmonton Catholic Schools remains high at 86.5% for the 3-year completion rate and is rated 'Excellent' by the province. Our rate continues to be well above the provincial 3-year rate of 79.7%. Our 5-year high school completion rate is even higher at 90.4% while the province is at 84.9% for the 5-year rate. The Division's drop-out rate\* of 1.5% is less than the provincial drop-out rate of 2.7%.

"High School Completion continues to be a priority," said Chief Superintendent Robert Martin. "Our goal is to ensure that every student in the Edmonton Catholic School Division graduates," Martin added.

Edmonton Catholic Schools was given an 'Excellent' rating by the province in each of the following categories:

- Safe and Caring Schools
- Program of Studies
- Education Quality
- High School Completion Rate
- Post-Secondary Transition Rate
- Citizenship
- Parental Involvement
- School Improvement

Edmonton Catholic Schools Chair Laura Thibert said the Board is very pleased with the May report card, "These results reflect the great work and dedication of our staff in providing the supports necessary for all students to succeed," emphasized Chair Thibert.

*\*The drop-out rate is the percentage of students aged 14-18 who drop out the following year. This year Alberta Education indicated that improvement evaluations were not calculated for school and school authority drop-out rates due to the application of an updated methodology.*