

Student Achievement Plan: Waterloo Region DSB

The accessible version of this document describes the Student Achievement Plan document for school boards. It outlines SAP goals and how they are measured. Each measure includes a graph in the original document that illustrates the percentage of students at a provincial level versus the percentage of students at a board level.

This document is divided into 3 sections, illustrating the 3 main topics of the Student Achievement Plan.

2023-2024 Academic Year

Section 1: Achievement of Learning Outcomes in Core Academic Skills

Goal: Improve students' literacy learning and achievement

Measure: Percentage of students who met or exceeded the provincial standard on Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) Assessments for Grade 3/6 Reading and Writing, and percentage of first-time eligible students who were successful on the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT/TPCL).

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province in 5 categories: Grade 3 Reading, Grade 3 Writing, Grade 6 Reading, Grade 6 Writing, and OSSLT for the current and previous year.

For Grade 3 Reading, the value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 68%, and the value for the previous year is 73%.

The value for Province for the current year is 71%, and the value for the previous year is 73%.

For Grade 3 Writing, the value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 60%, and the value for the previous year is 65%.

The value for Province for the current year is 64%, and the value for the previous year is 65%.

For Grade 6 Reading, the value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 82%, and the value for the previous year is 84%.

The value for Province for the current year is 82%, and the value for the previous year is 84%.

For Grade 6 Writing, the value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 81%, and the value for the previous year is 85%.

The value for Province for the current year is 80%, and the value for the previous year is 84%.

For OSSLT, the value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 85%, and the value for the previous year is 85%.

The value for Province for the current year is 85%, and the value for the previous year is 85%.

Goal: Improve students' math learning and achievement

Measure: Percentage of students who met or exceeded the provincial standard.

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province in 3 categories: Grade 3 Math, Grade 6 Math, and Grade 9 Math for the current and previous year.

For Grade 3 Math, the value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 58%, and the value for the previous year is 59%.

The value for Province for the current year is 61%, and the value for the previous year is 60%.

For Grade 6 Math, the value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 52%, and the value for the previous year is 51%.

The value for Province for the current year is 50%, and the value for the previous year is 50%.

For Grade 9 Math, the value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 52%, and the value for the previous year is 55%.

The value for Province for the current year is 54%, and the value for the previous year is 54%.

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Section 2: Preparation of Students for Future Success

Goal: Improve students' graduation rates and preparedness for future success

Measure: Percentage of students graduating with an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) within five years of starting Grade 9. Includes students who began Grade 9 in 2018-2019 and tracks their progress until 2022-2023.

The results compare the percentage of graduating students between Board and Province for the current and previous year.

The value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 86.9%, and the value for the previous year is 86.2%.

The value for Province for the current year is 89.5%, and the value for the previous year is 89.1%.

Measure: Percentage of students who earn 16 or more credits by the end of Grade 10.

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province for the current and previous year.

The value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 81%, and the value for the previous year is 80%.

The value for Province for the current year is 78%, and the value for the previous year is 78%.

Measure: Percentage of students enrolled in at least one Grade 12 math or Grade 11 or 12 science courses.

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province for the current and previous year.

The value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 61.0%, and the value for the previous year is 59.8%.

The value for Province for the current year is 57.9%, and the value for the previous year is 58.9%.

Measure: Percentage of students participating in at least one job skills program (Specialist High Skills Major, Dual Credits or Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program)

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province for the current and previous year.

The value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 23%, and the value for the previous year is 16%.

The value for Province for the current year is 26%, and the value for the previous year is 23%.

Measure: Percentage of students who believe their learning has prepared them for the next step in their learning experience (i.e., next grade, post-secondary, etc.)

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province for the current and previous year.

The value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 63%, and the value for the previous year is N/A.

The value for Province for the current year is 63%, and the value for the previous year is N/A.

2023-2024 Academic Year

Section 3: Student Engagement and Well-Being

Goal: Improve students' participation in class time and learning

Measure: Percentage of students in Grades 4 to 12 who were suspended at least once.

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province for the current and previous year.

The value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 3.60%, and the value for the previous year is 3.85%.

The value for Province for the current year is 4.18%, and the value for the previous year is 4.06%.

Measure: Percentage of students in Grades 1-8 whose individual attendance rate is equal to or greater than 90 percent.

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province for the current and previous year.

The value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 64.3%, and the value for the previous year is 66.5%.

The value for Province for the current year is 59.9%, and the value for the previous year is 55.0%.

Goal: Improve student well-being

Measure: Percentage of Grade 6, 9 and 10 students who report being aware of mental health supports and services in order to seek supports for mental health.

The results compare the percentage of students between Board and Province for the current and previous year.

The value for Waterloo Region DSB for the current year is 64%, and the value for the previous year is N/A.

The value for Province for the current year is 60%, and the value for the previous year is N/A.

Source: As reported by schools through the Ontario School Information System (OnSIS), 2021-2022 to 2023-2024, and the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO), 2022-2023 to 2023-2024.

N/A: Not applicable. Secondary student indicators are not available for elementary only school boards. Learning Preparedness and Mental Health Awareness data is not available for 2022-2023.

Section 1: Table 1- Achievement of Learning Outcomes in Core Academic Skills, 2023-2024

Goals	How this is Measured (% of students)	School Board Performance	Provincial Performance
Improve students' literacy and achievement	Students who meet or exceed the provincial standard on GRADE 3 EQAO READING	68%	71%
	Students who meet or exceed the provincial standard on GRADE 3 EQAO WRITING	60%	64%
	Students who meet or exceed the provincial standard on GRADE 6 EQAO READING	82%	82%
	Students who meet or exceed the provincial standard on GRADE 6 EQAO WRITING	81%	80%
	Fully participating, first time eligible students who are successful on the OSSLT/TPCL	85%	85%
Improve Students' math learning and achievement	Students who meet or exceed the provincial standard on GRADE 3 EQAO MATH	58%	61%
	Students who meet or exceed the provincial standard on GRADE 6 EQAO MATH	52%	50%
	Students who meet or exceed the provincial standard on GRADE 9 EQAO MATH	52%	54%

Section 1: Table 2- Additional School Board Measures

Additional School Board Measure	How our Board Performs	Actions our School Board will take to Improve

Section 2: Table 1- Preparation of Students for Future Success, 2023-2024

Goals	How this is Measured (% of students)	School Board Performance	Provincial Performance
Improve students' graduation rates and preparedness for future success	Students graduating with an OSSD within five years of starting Grade 9 (2022-2023)	86.9%	89.5%
	Students who earn 16 or more credits by the end of Grade 10	81%	78%
	Students enrolled in at least one Grade 12 math or Grade 11 or 12 science courses	61.0%	57.9%
	Students participating in at least one job skills program (Specialist High Skills Major, Dual Credits or Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program)	23%	26%
	Students who believe their learning has prepared them for the next step in their learning experience (i.e. next grade, post secondary, etc.)	63%	63%

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Goals	How this is Measured (% of students)	School Board Performance	Provincial Performance
Improve students' participation in class time and learning	Students in Grades 4-12 who were suspended at least once	3.60%	4.18%
	Students in Grades 1-8 whose individual attendance rate is equal to or greater than 90 percent	64.3%	59.9%
Improve student well-being	Percentage of Grade 6, 9, and 10 students who report being aware of mental health supports and services in order to seek supports for mental health	64%	60%

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