



Medicine Hat Public School Division

*Developing Tomorrow's Citizens Through Improved
Learning, Living and Relationships*

Vincent Massey School



Spring 2024 Provincial Achievement Test Summary Report - November 2024

Division Comments:

This year marked the third year of reportable data since the 2020-2021 school year for Science 6 and Social Studies 6. Our data analysis includes the 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 Provincial Achievement Test results. The school's 2024 results are compared to the school's 2022 – 2024 3 Year Rolling Average.

It is important to note a few key items:

- In 2023/2024 (Spring 2024) ELA 6 and Math 6 were not administered.
- 2022/23 and 2023/24 Provincial Achievement Test results do not include students who participated in the optionally implemented/piloted curriculum and were excused from writing the Grade 6 PATs in those subject areas.
- Participation in the Provincial Achievement Tests was impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic from 2019/20 to 2021/22. School years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 are not included in the rolling 3-year average. Caution should be used when interpreting trends over time.
- Participation in the Provincial Achievement Tests was impacted by the fires in 2022/23 and 2023/24. Caution should be used when interpreting trends over time for the province and those school authorities affected by these events.
- **Spring 2024 Grade 6 PAT Note: When interpreting the overall PAT 6 Acceptable and PAT 6 Excellence Achievement Indicators (Ex. "Very High, High, Maintained, Low, or Very Low") the only course that is included in this is **Social Studies 6**.

School Comments:

- **Overall Reflections:** We are pleased that our Spring 2024 PAT results (in Social Studies and Science), both in the area of Acceptable and Excellence, have improved markedly over recent (but limited) VM past year averages. This current result is also markedly higher than the Provincial recent year average in these two areas. It will be important for us to discuss and be mindful of what factors contributed to this while also keeping in mind the limitations of the data (COVID, No ELA and Math PAT's for Spring 2024, etc)
- **Description of the analysis process at the school level:** Vincent Massey Admin has reflected on, prepared summary data, and discussed our PAT results as an admin team. We will also share results in detail with VM Grade 6 teachers, getting them to also reflect on strengths, opportunities for growth, and what we did/can do to continue with areas of strength and also how to improve on areas for growth. Release time will be offered to applicable teachers for this. We will also share main data trends of both the AEA Survey results and our

VM PAT results with all VM teachers, VM School Council, and post data and these reflection documents on our webpage.

- **Celebrations**

- We are pleased that our Spring 2024 PAT results (in Social Studies and Science), both in the area of Acceptable and Excellence, have improved markedly over recent (but limited) VM past year averages. This current result is also markedly higher than the Provincial recent year average in these two areas.

Spring 2024 VM Science PAT Results:

Subject	SCIENCE 6									
	Alberta			Med Hat Public			School Results			
Standard	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	+/- 22-24 Avg.
Acceptable	67.8	66.7	68.8	66.7	71.6	62.8	79.2	69.6	88.9	+9.7
Excellence	23.3	22.5	25.6	19.1	21.7	18.8	21.2	17.4	25.0	+3.8

- Our VM Spring 2024 Grade 6 Science PAT results of students meeting “Acceptable” standards was very strong at 88.9 compared to the Provincial average (68.8) and MHPSD average (62.8).
- This VM Spring 2024 Science PAT result for students meeting “Acceptable” standards was markedly higher than past years averages in the province, MHPSD, and here at VM.
- Our VM Spring 2024 Grade 6 Science PAT results of students meeting “Excellence” standards was positive at 25.0 matching the Provincial average (25.6) and being higher than the MHPSD average of 18.8.
- This VM Spring 2024 Science PAT result for students meeting “Excellence” standards was higher than past years averages in the province, MHPSD, and here at VM.
- In both areas of “Acceptable” and “Excellence”, this is reason for celebration and reflection on these positive results for Spring 2024 PAT results in Science.

Spring 2024 VM Social Studies PAT Results:

Subject	SOCIAL STUDIES 6									
	Alberta			Med Hat Public			School Results			
Standard	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	+/- 22-24 Avg.
Acceptable	67.4	66.3	68.7	66.3	67.1	66.0	77.8	69.6	86.1	+8.3
Excellence	18.9	18.5	20.4	15.3	18.0	14.9	21.2	17.4	25.0	+3.8

- Our VM Spring 2024 Grade 6 Social Studies PAT results of students meeting “Acceptable” standards was very strong at 86.1 compared to the Provincial average (68.7) and MHPSD average (66.0).

- This VM Spring 2024 Social Studies PAT result for students meeting “Acceptable” standards was markedly higher than past years averages in the province, MHPSD, and here at VM.
 - Our VM Spring 2024 Grade 6 Social Studies PAT results of students meeting “Excellence” standards was positive at 25.0 beating the Provincial average (20.4) and being higher than the MHPSD average of 14.9.
 - This VM Spring 2024 Social Studies PAT result for students meeting “Excellence” standards was higher than past years averages in the province, MHPSD, and here at VM.
 - In both areas of “Acceptable” and “Excellence”, this is reason for celebration and reflection on these positive results for Spring 2024 PAT results in Social Studies.
 - Our 2024 PAT results are cause for celebration and reflection in both Science and Social Studies.
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- **Target areas**
 - We will identify reasons and strategies taken that we believe contributed to our success and continue if not strengthen these areas.
 - Though strong, we would like to improve our results in terms of number of students meeting the standard of “Excellence” in Social Studies and especially Science.
 - With two new teachers here at VM this year with little to no Grade 6 experience, it will be important to support and guide these teachers to prepare our Grade 6 students for PAT success. (release time for planning, collaboration with experienced Grade 6 teachers, etc)
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- **Comparison of school and provincial results** (See Celebrations section above)
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- **Action plans**
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 - We will also share main data trends of both the AEA Survey results and our VM PAT results with all VM teachers, and VM School Council.
 - We will post these data reflection documents on our webpage.
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- **How VM 2024/2025 school goals might contribute to the action plan**
 - ***1. In what ways can our focus on differentiation impact teacher practice in instruction, assessment, and reporting at Vincent Massey School?***

- Our focus on differentiation of instruction, assessment, and reporting should better meet the unique learning needs of our VM students, hopefully leading to improved PAT results.
- **2. In what ways will our focus on quality communication of learning at Vincent Massey School enable teachers to provide meaningful feedback to families and students?**
 - Providing quality feedback of learning to students and parents should improve out students' conceptual understanding of curriculum, hopefully leading to improved PAT results.

PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT TESTS

Subject	ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 6									
	Alberta			Med Hat Public			School Results			
Standard	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	+/- 22-24 Avg.
Acceptable	N/A	76.2	N/A	N/A	83.9	N/A	N/A	78.3	N/A	N/A
Excellence	N/A	18.4	N/A	N/A	21.8	N/A	N/A	17.4	N/A	N/A

Subject	MATHEMATICS 6									
	Alberta			Med Hat Public			School Results			
Standard	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	22-24 Avg.	2023 Result	2024 Result	+/- 22-24 Avg.
Acceptable	N/A	64.4	N/A	N/A	66.4	N/A	N/A	65.2	N/A	N/A
Excellence	N/A	15.8	N/A	N/A	12.1	N/A	N/A	8.7	N/A	N/A

Subject	SCIENCE 6									
	Alberta			Med Hat Public			School Results			
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