

Queen Elizabeth Regional High School

2012-13 School Development Report



Mission

We at Queen Elizabeth Regional High School are committed to developing each student's abilities to his or her fullest potential in a safe and positive school climate which fosters initiative and independence and encourages life-long learning.



A Message From
DARRIN PIKE
CEO/DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

This school development plan for 2012-13 outlines your school's successes and highlights, while also determining the direction of the school in matters such as student achievement and professional development for the coming year.

The planning and execution of a school development plan is an important process that must be undertaken by the entire school community. A thorough plan lays the foundation for a productive and successful school year and will be beneficial to every member of the school community, most importantly the students of your school.

The school development plan contained in this report will be the final one completed under the strategic plans of the former English school districts. As we move forward with the development of a new strategic plan for the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District I thank our administrators, teaching staff, school councils and school communities for their efforts in developing and implementing the previous plans to ensure student success and achievement.

I look forward with great enthusiasm to the progress we are going to make as we build upon these school development plans and continue to provide a quality education for every student in our province.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Darrin Pike'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Darrin Pike
CEO/Director of Education

Message from Principal

This school report provides you with an overview of Queen Elizabeth Regional High School during the 2012-2013 school year. I invite you to review the information contained within with view to gaining a more thorough picture of our school. The staff and I are extremely proud of our students and their accomplishments, some of which are highlighted in this report. Last year, we once again published our School Report on-line and because we experienced such positive feedback, we are again going to do the same. You can visit our web site at www.qerhs.k12.nf.ca . Please take an opportunity to have a look at other items of interest on our site as well.

Queen Elizabeth Regional High School has a long and proud history in Conception Bay South and just a few years ago we celebrated our Fiftieth anniversary. Our aim was to reunite our school community through a number of celebrations and events. As always, we invite you to partner with us as we work toward the common goal of providing our students with a quality education and a rewarding school experience.

Last year, our school development plan was validated by an external team; validated meaning the school development process was followed correctly and a review of the internal and external data justified the identified goals:

1. To improve student achievement through an enhanced focus on student engagement.
2. To create a safe and caring schools environment in which students are engaged.
3. To improve the school's communication.

Sincerely,



Vincent Wayne Rodgers
B.A. B.Ed. M.Adm.

Message from School Council

On behalf of our School Council, I am pleased to bring greetings to you. The Queen Elizabeth Regional High school council remains a strong voice and advocate for the students, parents and teachers. I would like to express a sincere thank you to all members of the school council, who have worked and volunteered to continue to improve the learning environment at our school.

We will be welcoming two new parent representative next year and offering our departing parent representatives our best wishes. Continuing with the goals set in previous school reports, we continue to discuss ways to keep the environment in and around the school conducive to a positive learning. We also continue to work on increasing and maintaining our technology department capabilities by replacing outdated equipment and trying to expand our Wi-Fi for student's access.

In an effort to show support to staff for their commitment, this school council has provided a Christmas lunch, a potluck lunch for Staff Appreciation week and final exam soup and sandwich luncheon. We have worked with our student council on our 1st annual Christmas at QE craft fair and CBS Christmas float as well as supported a showcase of musical talent at our Holiday concert and our Spring Fling Show and dessert and a silent auction.

We continued to work hard to bring important issues to the forefront. School Development continues to guide so much of the agenda of our School Council. We are working on better communication between students, staff and in the community. Areas of concern have been windows and parking lots. We look forward to a new leadership under the NLESD and for improved communication.

Our members energetically work and support the school's administration, staff, and students in advancing literacy, a safe and caring school, and student organization. We are still exploring areas to develop and maintain the work done so far. Some ideas for next year are recreational development as well as enhancing scholastic achievement.

We acknowledge and thank the staff and students, as well as the school community for their efforts and accomplishments over the past year and look forward with anticipation to the coming year. Being in my forth year as chairperson, I continue to enjoy working with Principal Wayne Rodgers who has been a supportive and collaborative partner and should be commended for his hard work and leadership.

Sincerely,
John D. Smith
Chairperson

Overview of School

- Queen Elizabeth Regional High School has been serving the communities of Paradise, Topsail, Chamberlains, Manuels, Foxtrap, Kelligrews, Upper Gullies, Seal Cove and part of Holyrood since 1954. It was the first regional high school in Newfoundland and Labrador and was under the trusteeship of the Conception Bay South Integrated School Board.
- The first Queen Elizabeth opened in the Fall of 1954 and at that time had a registration of 108 students in Grades 9 to 11. The graduating class of June 1955 had 12 students. The school was located in the community of Foxtrap across from All Saints Anglican Church and today the building still stands as Fred Kirby Intermediate School.
- The second Queen Elizabeth was built on the Foxtrap Access Road. Located in the centre of Conception Bay South it opened its doors in the Fall of 1969. It had a registration of 502 students in Grades 9 to 11. There were 170 students in the graduating class of June 1970. This building is now the site of Frank Roberts Intermediate School.
- Our present home, located just behind the Frank Roberts School on the Foxtrap Access Road, opened in the Fall of 1989.

Our Staff and Classes

- Our 2012-2013 enrolment of 584 (Level I-IV) has largely remained unchanged from last year. Presently we have 35 teachers on staff. We also have 1 secretary, 1 maintenance custodian, 2 custodians and 1 half-time cleaner.

As you read through our school profile you will become more familiar with our present school community. Our school motto: Deo Et Patriae (For God and Country) is proudly displayed on all school logos and crests. Our school colours, wine and white, decorate our publications. Our team name, "PIONEERS", is well known throughout the province and our mascot, the Bulldog, is a symbol of our staff and students' determination to succeed.

Visit our school's homepage at www.qerhs.k12.nf.ca

Key Highlights/Special Projects

QE Athletic Accomplishments 2012/2013

Girls Volleyball Accomplishments

Juvenile A: Gold medal at AAAA Regional Qualifier
AAAA Provincial Sportsmanship Banner

Midget A: Gold medal at Midget Provincial Championships

Boys Volleyball Accomplishments

- Dalhousie High School Volleyball Invitational

Dalhousie University Athletics Dalplex, Halifax

4th place Senior High Boys

-Volleyfest- Memorial University, St. John's-Silver

-Volleycentral- Gander Collegiate, Gander-Silver

-Subway Classic- Clarenville High, Clarenville -Silver

-Regionals -Queen Elizabeth Regional High, CBS-Gold

-Provincial AAAA Boys Volleyball Tournament

EVH, Grand Falls-Windsor- silver

Boys Baseball Accomplishments

Champions of the 2012/2013 ESDNL High School Baseball Tournament

Girls Softball Accomplishments

Silver in 4A Regionals

Silver in 4A Provincials

Girls Ice Hockey Accomplishments

Girls Hockey - Silver medal in the Metro League

Boys Softball Accomplishments

Gold in 4A Zones

Silver in 4A Regionals

Girls Ball Hockey Accomplishments

Silver in 4A Regionals

Boys Ice Hockey Accomplishments:

Repeated Champions for the Fred Squires Shield

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Mrs. Clarke's Fashion & Design class showcased their creations via a well attended **Fashion Show.**

Students participated in the **Operation Christmas Child** projects and collected over 100 boxes for children in need.

Christmas at QE craft and trade fair raised over \$3000.00.

To promote a safe and caring atmosphere staff and students hosted a **Pioneers for Peace Week** event. Topics covered during the week included: Monday – Earth Day; Tuesday – Disability Awareness Day ; Wednesday - Pink Day; Thursday - World Malaria Day; Friday - Love is Louder Day.

Four students won gold medals at **Skills Canada Competition** held at the College of the North Atlantic. The students competed in Cooking , Graphic Design, Baking and Public Speaking. Queen Elizabeth came in second place overall. Two of those students went on to place in the finals at the National Skills Canada competition.

The Queen Elizabeth **Improv team** finished 2nd in the Newfoundland Improv Games.

Jazz Band won a silver medal at Rotary Music Festival

School Choir won a bronze medal at the Rotary Music festival.

Partnerships

- Platinum Construction once again partnered with our Student Council to enter a float in the CBS Christmas Parade.
- Mr. Gerry Kirby continues to financially support our Breakfast Program to the tune of approximately \$6000 a year.

Scholarships

- Andrews Memorial Scholarship
- Blagdon Tilley & Company Award
- Bob French Memorial Scholarship
- CBS Kin Club Marilyn Foote Memorial Award
- CBS KIWANIS – The Alex A. Meek Memorial Scholarship
- CBS KIWANIS – The George Herbert Haines Memorial Progress Award
- CBS Lions Club Memorial Scholarship #1
- CBS Lions Club Memorial Scholarship #2
- CBS Lions Club Memorial Scholarship #3
- CBS Lions Club Memorial Scholarship #4
- Compass Group Canada Mathematics Scholarship
- Fred Kirby Memorial Scholarship
- Gary Francis Corbett Memorial Scholarships
- Graduating Class of 1964 Awards
- Hayward Parsons Memorial Scholarship
- IODE Scholarship
- Janine Howse Achievement Scholarship
- Knights of Columbus Scholarship
- Lodge Conception SC Award for French Studies

- Loyal Orange Family 181 Foxtrap Award
- Nicholas Coates Memorial Scholarship
- Queen Elizabeth 50th Anniversary Scholarship
- Queen Elizabeth Pioneers Hockey Alumni Scholarship
- Queen Elizabeth Retired Teachers Scholarship
- Queen Elizabeth Student Council Scholarship
- Rick Tilley Memorial Scholarship
- Robert R. Regular Law Office Scholarship
- Ros Butler Memorial Scholarship
- Rotary Scholarship
- Seabreeze Engraving Award
- Tara Beck Memorial Awards
- Tara Tucker Scholarship
- Town of CBS Scholarship
- University of Toronto Book Award
- Queen Elizabeth Excellence Awards
- Medal of the Governor General of Canada