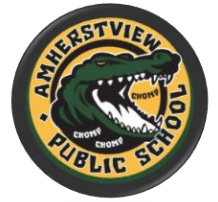




AMHERSTVIEW PUBLIC SCHOOL

At Amherstview Public School, we believe that all students can learn and achieve success. We belong to a school community where we will work together to provide a welcoming and inclusive environment that supports mental, physical, social and emotional wellness in a culture of perseverance, innovation, and high expectations.



SCHOOL GOALS 2018-19

LITERACY

- Our students will demonstrate significant improvement in achievement in critical thinking in reading and writing.

NUMERACY

- Our students will demonstrate significant improvement in achievement in and conceptual understanding and critical thinking skills in mathematics.

SCHOOL CLIMATE

- Our staff and students will create a welcoming and inclusive school culture that supports mental, physical, social and emotional well-being.

STRATEGIES

Literacy

- On-going assessment-based instruction and targeted intervention
- Frequent, timely & personalized feedback
- Guided instructional groups to develop literacy competencies and close gaps
- Focus on noticing and naming literacy strategies
- Effective questioning using "why" to elicit critical thinking
- Students will provide criteria-based responses using "because"
- Students will use "Google Read & Write" (grade 2+) to augment literacy skills

Numeracy

- Encourage risk-taking and an "I can" attitude
- Collaborative problem-solving focused on reasoning and proving
- Incorporate number talks focused on developing mental math skills
- Focus on noticing and naming math strategies
- Use "why" and "because" to provide insight into thinking and promote deeper understanding
- Regular use of concrete materials, visual representations, and technology during instruction
- Guided instructional groups & targeted intervention

School Climate

- Foster a growth mindset in all areas
- Focus on co-regulation and self-regulation
- Focus on noticing and naming emotions
- Recognize and celebrate diversity
- Focus on building community: learning buddies, colour houses, clubs, community garden, student leadership, family partnerships
- Explicitly teach and use a common K-8 vocabulary for problem-solving and conflict resolution