



SPIRIT E LEARNING SCHOOL

2020/2021

YEARBOOK



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PRAIRIE SPIRIT SCHOOL DIVISION
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From the school principal



To the Spirit eLearning classes of the 2020-2021 school year,

Thank you! Thank you for trying something new, thank you for adapting and overcoming challenges, thank you for working so hard even when it wasn't easy. What you have accomplished and created this year will have a lasting impact on education in Prairie Spirit School Division and you should be proud of your contributions. I know I am.

We began this year uncertain about many things, our direction, our process, our end goal. What we did know is that student learning was most important, we just needed to figure out what that looked like. There were times when we made mistakes - as we should when we are learning. There were times when we had to completely change everything, but it was all to make it better. There were times when it felt like we were failing more than we were succeeding, but ultimately what kept us going was you - the students. You reminded us of what was important, you easily adapted to all the changes and demonstrated strength and intelligence, which inspired and motivated us to find new ways to do familiar things. This year could not have been what it was without you.

As teachers, this year online will forever change the way we teach, think and do. We have had to think in ways we hadn't before and because of you, we know we will never go back to what we used to do. My hope is that this year has stretched your thinking too, that you see yourself as a learner who can think critically, who can explore new ways of doing what has become familiar and view your mistakes as opportunities for growth and learning.

This year will forever change me, and I am so thankful you were a part of it. Spirit eLearning is a beautiful school full of passionate, intelligent, and capable learners and you will forever be imprinted on its journey forward.

Have a wonderful summer and all the best in the 2021-2022 school year!

KRISTEN MATHISON
PRINCIPAL - SPIRIT eLEARNING SCHOOL

#teacher moments



YOUR TEACHERS HAD SOME FUNNY MOMENTS - HERE'S A FEW!

"It's funny how shocked they were to realize they've been saying my name wrong."

"The time Ms. Mountain talked about her smoker and burned her Fiance's BBQ tools and then TOUCHED THEM!"

"Anytime Ms. Mountain would dance or be super excited!"

"When Ms. Mountain talks about crying - like all of the time"

"When Ms. Britton forgets to put her mic down"

"Mrs. Lang made me laugh so much this year!"

"A couple of us pranked Ms. Lang and it was SO funny"

"My sibling came in with drawn on eyebrows when I was in a one-on-one meeting with my teacher!"

"Mr. Hallgrimson - not FUNNY he is just SO awesome"

"Ms. Lang's dog would be going crazy in the background!"

"When Ms. Britton would leave meetings accidentally"

"Honestly, any time Ms. Mountain would say 'can you guys see my screen?'"

"When you could hear your teachers singing in the background of someone else's call"

"Mr. Eaglesham doing workouts in his office!"

"When Ms. Mountain couldn't hear us in the meet, and then she had Mrs. Mathison try and help her and then she ended up leaving the meeting and took her FOREVER to figure it out - she had just muted the tab but forgot"

"I was practicing auto-tune and forgot my mic was on! So my entire class heard"



#growingup

WE ASKED EVERYONE WHAT THEY WANTED TO BE WHEN THEY GREW UP ...

work on a dairy farm

photo journalist

Police Officer

cosmetologist

Automobile Manufacturing

Streamer

Vetrenarian

Teacher

Something in Robotics

Someone who specializes in diseases

Chef

Welder

Pharamacist

Agricultural Equipment Technician

Anesthesiologist

ASL Interpretor

Horticulturist

Radioligist

Soldier

Zoo Keeper

Hockey Player

Sheep Farmer

Architect



Best Takeaways



WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT BEING A STUDENT AT SPIRIT E-LEARNING?

"just seeing a different perspective on how to learn"

"we can make our own schedule"

"getting to make new friends and getting to express my true self to others without being judged"

"that all teachers are really funny"

"the teachers - they were always so understanding and awesome!"

"getting to meet new people and making new friends (I also liked doing school with my dog on my lap)"

"I really enjoyed our homeroom meetings"

"that I got to stay home and not have to wear mask all day"

"everyone is so nice here"

"I met so many new people! Most people were so lovely"

"Getting to talk about Marvel with Ms. Britton"

"Making new friends here"

"All the teachers and students are really nice"





Best Takeaways



WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT BEING A STUDENT AT SPIRIT E-LEARNING?

"Fun teachers"

"I love how friendly and helpful the teachers are"

"Not have to go to school in person and I can have my camera off if I want to"

"Meeting new people"

"Listening to teachers and classmates talking during the homeroom meetings and reading the chats"

"Getting good lunch breaks and no tests"

"the time to be able to work"

"All the friends I've made, and how my learning has grown"

"Having very nice teachers and friends"

"Having freedom in doing whatever assignments there is"

"You have really helpful teachers"

"Learning about history and science"

"Being able to work at my own pace and getting assignments handed in"





Best Takeaways

WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT BEING A STUDENT AT SPIRIT eLEARNING?



"Meeting my new best friends, and spending time with them when I can"

"My most favourite thing is the welcoming and understanding community"



"Arts Ed! I love learning about music"

"That everyone is nice and caring"

"I loved Coffee Time"

"I love math and Kahoots!"

"being able to work on my own and having coffee time"

"Hanging out with cool people"



"Getting used to being online and knowing the software functions, making friends from Spirit eLearning, having incredible teachers to work with"

"I can stay at my house while doing school!"

#improud

HIGHLIGHTING SOME OF OUR PROUD MOMENTS

THESE ARE ALL SNIPPETS FROM YOUR CLASSMATES!

- Attendance
- Getting to my meets!
- Asking questions!
- Made new friends!
- Kept up with all of my school work!
- I learned how to tune out distractions
- Getting really good grades!
- Asking for help when I needed it!
- Learned how to budget my time!
- My effort!
- My writing!
- MYSELF
- Being able to accomplish hard assignments
- I stayed focused and tried my best on everything
- I am proud of how more social I was this year!
- Coming out as transgender!
- I am proud of my consistency and my motivation!