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# Early Foundations Annual Education Results Report – Preschool and Kindergarten

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For Parents

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## Introduction

Parents would be pleased to know that we have applied the same evaluation and measurement criteria used in the top private and public schools in both Calgary and internationally to measure children's learning progress. This data was collected, and condensed, for visual representation to easily understand children's achievements.

Not only did all children achieve Provincial Kindergarten Curriculum learning outcomes in a developmentally appropriate manner, many children even surpassed it. This is great news not only for children, but also parents. Since parents benefit from children being ready for either Kindergarten or grade one entrance after having learned *how* to learn, in an age appropriate manner, it also improves the routine of schooling to allow *Happiness Through Learning: Our Motto*.

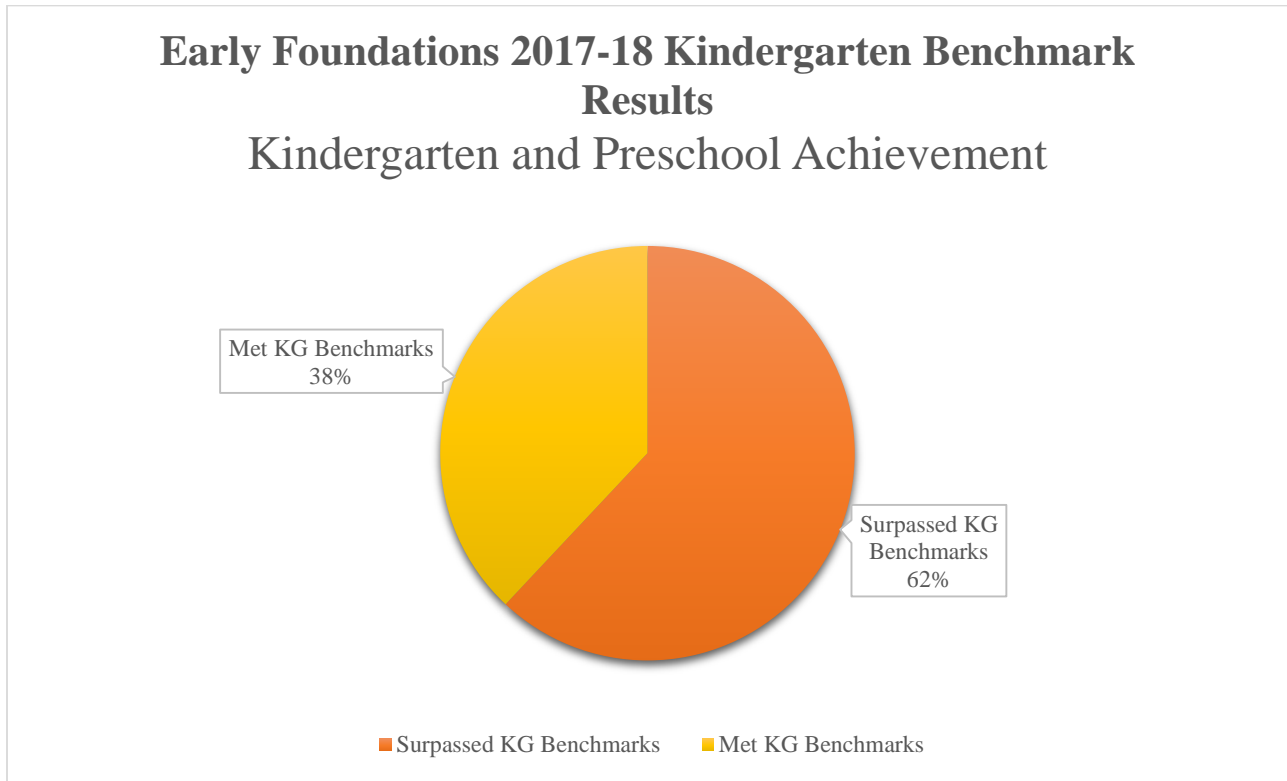
Everyone is happy when children are happy, and children are happiest when learning becomes a source of wonder, joy, and discovery. An attitude of mind that we hope will serve each child attending Early Foundations for a lifetime.

## Play is Paramount

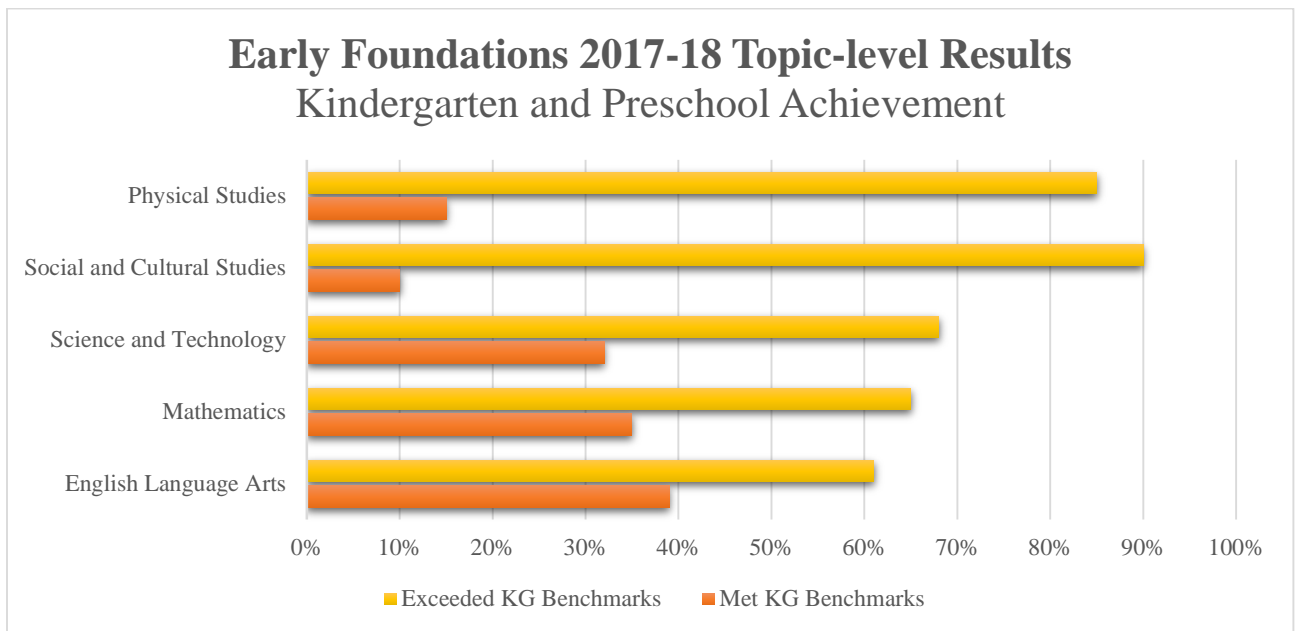
Not only do we believe children learn best through play, but our team takes the best care and maintains the most suitable environment by encouraging, inspiring and appreciating children at play. We love what we do, so when children learn their letters, numbers, practice speaking in front of a group, and engage in leadership development, we frame such learning in a manner most suitable not only for children, but for us all; and that is being open to the discovery of knowledge like a child.

# Early Foundations 2017-18 Academic Year Results Report

Graph 1. Kindergarten and Preschool Achievement Benchmarks



Graph 2. Kindergarten and Preschool Topic-level Achievements



# KINDERGARTEN AT A GLANCE



Kindergarten is a wonderful way for your child to discover what school is like and to have fun while learning new things. In this exciting new community, children's natural curiosity and eagerness to learn are structured through organized activities and purposeful play. Your child will interact, imagine, experiment and explore to add to their knowledge, learn new skills and practise what they've learned.



## EARLY LITERACY

*A is for apple.* Your child will begin to understand that letters have sounds and that together those sounds form words and carry meaning. They will have fun sharing their ideas and experiences, forming letters, printing their names and playing with the new words they learn.



## MATHEMATICS

*Learning numbers and solving problems with patterns.* Your child will represent and describe quantities of things up to 10. They will understand and create repeating patterns and compare objects based on their attributes. They will solve problems involving numbers, patterns and objects, and connect numbers to their everyday life.



## CITIZENSHIP AND IDENTITY

*I am unique and I belong!* Your child will develop a strong sense of identity, self-esteem and belonging by exploring their environment and sharing stories. They will see themselves as unique and discover the connections they have with others.



## ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY AWARENESS

*What do I see, smell and hear in my community? How do I shape the environment?* Kindergarten children explore materials, build structures and use technology to explore, investigate and describe their world. They see similarities and differences and become aware of how one action can cause something else.



## PERSONAL AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

*I know how to act and how to work and play with others.* Kindergarten children develop ways to express their feelings positively and to show respect and care for others. Trying new things and taking risks give them confidence in their ability to learn so they take responsibility for completing activities.



## PHYSICAL SKILLS AND WELL-BEING

*A healthy body is part of a healthy life.* Your child will begin to develop a love for physical activity through movement, games and activities. They will use a variety of equipment and see that they have the power to make healthy food choices and play safely.



## CREATIVE EXPRESSION

*Beauty is in the eye of the beholder!* Drama, art, music and dance give your child ways to express their ideas and feelings, to bring their imagination to life and to see their creativity in a variety of forms. Your child will respond to objects and art, explore music and dance, and develop confidence through drama.