Case Study

Grande Prairie Public School District

Grande Prairie Public School District (GPPSD) uses SchoolEngage to host all registration forms, demographic information forms, and transportation forms across the district. SchoolEngage is a comprehensive solution that facilitates interaction and communication, including the exchange of information among key stakeholders within schools and school districts. Users in GPPSD include approximately 8,000 students and their parents/guardians, as well as staff members in many different roles. Each user has a unique profile and account managed through a secure online interface. SchoolEngage enables GPPSD schools and the district to publish forms and applications that can be completed and submitted online. Upon approval, data integrates seamlessly with PowerSchool through the write-back process, eliminating duplicate keying into multiple systems.

The attached schematic diagram gives a visual representation of the workflow process between Grande Prairie Public School District’s current processes, including PASI (Alberta Education), EDULOG (transportation), and PowerSchool (SIS). The process demonstrates how the SchoolEngage Form Management System enhances that workflow and allows GPPSD parents/guardians and students to complete and submit forms. It also allows staff members to review and sign off on those forms. However, as Grande Prairie’s needs differ significantly in some areas from those described in Rocky View Schools, it clearly demonstrates how SchoolEngage can be customized to suit the needs and requirements of any school jurisdiction.

The following are ways that Intellimedia’s SchoolEngage has supported Grande Prairie Public School Systems’ needs:

- SchoolEngage currently hosts all registration, demographic update, and transportation forms across the district, and has done so for the past 2 years.
- Forms and information collected include:
  - Registration forms
  - Demographic information forms
  - Transportation forms
  - Program Forms
- As part of the program forms, there are several dynamically assigned forms such as Late Entry French Immersion, sports program applications, and apprenticeship applications. The forms are assigned to each student based on selections made on the student’s registration or re-enrollment forms.
- There are also variants of the above forms, such as registration tailored for international students, Christian programming, and preschool, as well as an “Are You Returning” form for re-enrollment in some grades.
- Student and guardian data is synced on a nightly basis.
- SchoolEngage has integrated with PASI to push the forms produced and the documents collected in SchoolEngage directly to PASI.

Grande Prairie Public School District has experienced a variety of benefits as a result of using SchoolEngage. These benefits include:

- Benefits
- Improved workflow
- Improved data quality
- Reduced time spent entering data by secretaries
- Increased communication with parents/guardians
- Tight integration with Transportation, payment and SIS system

In a recent letter to Intellimedia, GPPSD’s Superintendent of Schools Alexander (Sandy) McDonald stated, “the support from your staff during a tight schedule for planning and implementation of the transition to School Engage was significant and resulted in possibly the smoothest roll-out of any system-wide software we’ve had.” He also described other benefits of using SchoolEngage, including Intellimedia’s flexibility in creating a recently developed feature to help support the district’s COVID-related communications needs.

Intellimedia is a proud partner with Grande Prairie Public School District in the implementation of SchoolEngage to better serve their staff, students and families.
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Schoolengage Form Workflow

- **SIS**
  - **PowerSchool**
    - **Parent Portal**
      - Parent Portal Account Created
    - **SSO**
      - Data Sync
    - Student Accounts are gathered from PowerSchool
  - PARENTS & STUDENTS
    - Complete Forms
  - SCHOOL STAFF
    - Review & Sign-off

- **SchoolEngage**
  - Form Management System
    - **PASI**
    - **EDULOG**
      - Transportation System
    - **Alberta Education**

- **Schoolengage Forms**:
  - Registration
  - Demographics
  - Transportation
  - Program Forms:
    - Christian
    - Athletics
    - French Immersion
    - Apprenticeship
    - ...and others