



THE PARKLANDIA PROJECT- UPDATE

SEPTEMBER 19, 2017

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- Initiated in 2013
- Coordinated every year since
- Staff are preparing for January 2018



ABOUT THE PROJECT



- Educational Program about Local Government and Planning
- Fulfills curriculum requirements
- Offered to local grade six classes
- Coordinated by Parkland County
- Supported and run by teachers
- Classroom Session
- Video Lessons
- Final Project



FINAL PROJECT



AWARDS

- 2014 Alberta Professional Planners Institute Award of Excellence and was featured in the APPI Planning Journal (Spring 2015, Issue 15).
- 2015 Canadian Institute of Planners Award for Planning Excellence for New and Emerging Planning Initiatives and was featured in Plan Canada (Fall 2015, vol. 55 no. 3).



SCHOOL PARTICIPATION

Parklandia Participation

January 2014 Schools	Classes	Students
Blueberry School	2	53
Duffield School	1	28
Ecole Meridian Heights School	1	33
Muir Lake School	1	37
St. Thomas Aquinas	2	27
Total	7	195
January 2015 Schools		Estimated
Blueberry School	1	22
Seba Beach School	1	22
Connections for Learning	1	22
Muir Lake School	1	22
Forest Green School	1	22
Total	5	110
January 2016 Schools		Estimated
Ecole Broxton Park School	1	22
Connections for Learning	1	22
Blueberry School	1	22
Forest Green School	1	22
Total	4	88
January 2017 Schools		
Connections For Learning	1	10
Seba Beach School	1	7
Forest Green School	2	35
Blueberry School	3	64
Total	7	116
Grand Total	18	509

LONG-TERM STRATEGIC PLAN – 2040 AND BEYOND

One Parkland: Powerfully Connected

Responsible Leadership

- The program is a collaborative effort between County departments, the School Division, neighbouring municipalities, and Mayor and Council.
- Through educational outreach, the Program fosters open and transparent engagement.
- Students learn about many aspects of local government and leadership. Students can gain an interest in complete communities at a young age becoming engaged and informed residents.



CONCLUSION

“LOVE LOVE LOVE
PARKLANDIA project and
working hand in hand with
the County of Parkland!”

-Teacher comment

