

With adequate government funding for public education, it's possible

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QUESTIONS

- 1. Edmonton Public Schools is facing rapidly growing enrolment. How will your party ensure every student gets what they need to thrive?
- 2. What is your party's plan to ensure children who need additional support get the resources they need?

FAST FACTS

- Until recently, the total Education budget was frozen.
- The current funding formula doesn't keep pace with a growing school division and we are not funded for the actual number of students we have in our schools. We are not adequately funded to support students who require specialized supports.
- In eight years (2012-2020), Alberta went from having the third highest per student spending (inflation adjusted) in the country to ranking last.¹
- 77% of Division funds go to support students in the classroom. The remainder covers building
 operations and maintenance, fixed costs like utilities, insurance and software licenses as well as
 administrative costs required for Division operations.

¹ Fraser Institute, <u>Education Spending in Public Schools in Canada 2022</u>

