



PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS'  
ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA™

# BELIEF STATEMENTS

*Whereas in Alberta, provincial funding is provided for the public, separate, francophone, charter, home, and private school systems; and*

*Whereas public schools serve the majority of students in Alberta;*

*Therefore, we believe the following:*

- **Public schools** are the first choice of our communities. We believe all children can learn and live the values of democracy together, reflecting our hope and shaping the future of our communities.
- **Public schools** are intended to be the first school built in any new community.
- **Public schools** are governed by democratically elected trustees, accountable to communities and the province.
- **Public schools** offer world class education through innovation, diversity, and equitable learning experiences.
- **Public schools** nurture each student's education and well being within a supportive learning community.
- **Public schools** support cooperation and collaboration among all provincially funded school systems, to best serve all students.
- **Public schools** most closely reflect, embody, embrace and promote the diversity within today's Alberta.

