



**MIKISEW
HIGH SCHOOL**

OUR CHILDREN. OUR FUTURE. OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY.

Education is a human right. Every child matters.

Mikisew High School • Family & Community Guide 2026–2027

1 COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT



5,111+

residents
served



2,145

youth (0–19)
42% of
population



22

Median age
Manitoba 38



+7%

Population
growth

2 WHY EDUCATION MATTERS

CROSS LAKE VS MANITOBA



Adults 15+ with no
certificate, diploma,
or degree:

52%

22%



Average income:

\$26,960

\$49,240



Employment rate:

35.0%

59.1%



Unemployment rate:

23.6%

8.3%



Education builds stronger families, better employment,
higher incomes, and a stronger community.

3 WHERE OUR STUDENTS ARE TODAY



558

students
Grades 9–13



ABOUT 70%

of assessed students
in Grades 9–12 are
reading below
Grade 4 level.



Grade 9
repeat rate:

37%–42%



**Graduation
is improving**

Class of 2028
projected:

59%–65%



Manitoba Indigenous benchmarks: 55.1% (4-year) • 62.4% (5-year) • 62.9% (6-year)

4 OUR 2026–2027 PRIORITIES

Major priority: restructure and expand the Student Success & Support Department.

1



**GRADE 9
TRANSITION &
ORIENTATION**

Support a strong
start and smooth
transition to high
school.

2



**LITERACY &
NUMERACY
INTERVENTION**

Targeted supports
to build essential
skills in literacy and
numeracy.

3



**MENTAL HEALTH
& WELLNESS**

Promote well-being
through trauma-informed,
culturally responsive
supports.

4



**ALTERNATE
PATHWAYS &
PROGRAMMING**

Provide flexible
pathways to help
students reach their
graduation goals.

5



**FAMILY, COMMUNITY
& AGENCY
PARTNERSHIPS**

Work together to
support students
and strengthen our
community.

6



**SPACE, STAFFING &
PROGRAM CAPACITY**

Build the foundation
for programs, people,
and spaces that
support success.

Every Student. Every Day. **A Pathway to Graduation.**



Sources: Statistics Canada 2021; Mikisew School Plan 2026–2027.



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HOW FAMILIES CAN HELP STUDENTS SUCCEED

*Parents, grandparents, caregivers, and community
all have a role to play.*

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1 IMPORTANT DATES



August 24–28, 2026

Student registration



August 31, 2026

Teachers return to work



September 8, 2026

Students return to school

Let's use the weeks before school to help our children get ready.

2 WHERE WE NEED PARENTAL SUPPORT MOST



Attendance
every day and
on time



Daily reading
and talking about
learning



**Strong home
routines:**
sleep, homework,
school supplies



**Communication
with school:**
answer calls, check
PowerSchool,
attend meetings



**Encouragement,
responsibility,
and future goals**

3 10 TIPS FOR PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS



1 Talk about
school



2 Establish a
good sleep
routine



3 Get school
supplies
ready



4 Create a quiet
place for
homework



5 Make
attendance
a priority



6 Stay
involved



7 Encourage
reading



8 Limit
distractions



9 Teach
responsibility



10 Celebrate
effort, not just
grades

4 OUR CHILDREN NEED TO HEAR

Most importantly: Encourage your children.

- “ ♦ *I believe in you.*
♦ *You can do this.*
♦ *Your education is important.*
♦ *Don't give up when something is difficult.*
♦ *We are here to support you.* ”

5 HOW THE SCHOOL WILL COMMUNICATE WITH FAMILIES

Communication Channels



Phone calls



Email



Notes home



School
Facebook page



In-person
meetings



Parent-teacher
interviews



PowerSchool
Parent Portal



Open-door
visits



**Our children are our future. The support we give them today
helps shape the people and leaders they become tomorrow.**

School + Family + Community = Stronger Students



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