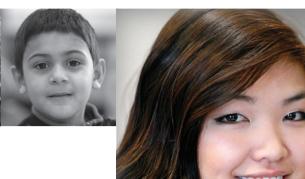
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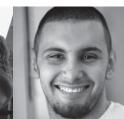
committed to student success











2012 community report

Calgary's | trust | for public education



our vision, mission & mandate

& mandate | Calgary's trust for public education



"School is a very valuable resource that we are so lucky to have access to. It gives us the freedom to learn about ourselves and the world around us."

- recipient of the William Aberhart Alumni Scholarship We are committed to student success today, preparing them to make long-lasting and positive changes in the future.

vision

Our vision is a society that promotes and values excellence in public education.

- We believe that a strong public education system is the cornerstone of a healthy, vibrant society.
- We believe that the best public education happens when the community participates in its development.

mission

Our mission is to promote and facilitate public engagement with public education and to enhance and enrich the education offered to all students – enabling them to fully realize their potential and become valued and contributing citizens locally and globally.

mandate

- enhance public education by providing grants to innovative programs that help students realize their potential and become productive global citizens.
- mobilize resources for innovative programs by offering donors a wide range of funds that demonstrate the commitment of Calgarians to innovation and excellence in public education.
- inspire passion for public education in Calgary by fostering a two-way dialogue about the role of public education in our society.

thanks for contributing to our success

In my leadership role as Chair, I have been inspired by CBE's energy and focus on providing the best learning opportunities for all students. From the moment a CBE student enters kindergarten to the time they finish high school, our children and youth are engaged in building a foundation of learning that will enable them to be successful at work and committed to lifelong learning. EducationMatters is the bridge to community support for students in partnership with the CBE. We are also the voice of the community. Collectively, our Board of Governors, employees and donors contribute to the success of public education and the values it fosters in our students. We believe that CBE students are our future and they deserve the best education that we can provide. Thanks to the ongoing support of community donors and the CBE, we have ended 2012 on a high note. We can never thank our community, employees and Board of Governors enough for their contributions to student success.

messages



Dr. Gene Edworthy Board Chair

Achieving success for 107,000 students in schools requires a strong commitment from the CBE and the Calgary community. Public education belongs to the public and it is the foundation for learning and student success. In collaboration with caring individuals, foundations, businesses and community partners, EducationMatters has once again exceeded our granting, fundraising and endowment goals. Ten years ago, EducationMatters was created by founding supporters, volunteer Governors, CBE leaders and employees who were persistent in their belief that a foundation supporting innovative learning enhancements would help CBE students to realize their potential and become productive global citizens. Today, we are positioned to serve CBE students and support the great work of the CBE – one of the best public education experiences in the world. We are energized by student success and the commitment of our community to invest in personalized learning and innovation. The door is open for even greater investment in the future as we mobilize more resources for student success. Thanks to our generous donors, CBE supporters, hard-working employees and exceptional Board of Governors, students can count on us to be committed to their success.



Barbara Burggraf Executive Director

highlights celebrating success



"Individuals like you make the world a better place and I hope I can help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me."

- recipient of the Grace Hartman

2012

we raised over

\$2 M in gifts & pledges to support:

- literacy
- life skills & transitions
- leadership
- healthy learning
- financial & basic needs

we distributed nearly

in program grants

we provided almost

\$250,000

in scholarships

Since

2003

we supported over

students 250,000 & their

we granted almost \$6 M in program grants & scholarships

we built endowment funds of \$2.3~M thanks to community support

committed to literacy

Douglasdale School

The digital age is changing the way we use our libraries and the way students learn. Most libraries offer a quiet space and the opportunity to read and borrow books to take home. A learning commons provides research and discussion opportunities, meeting rooms and a place to enable students' exploration of course material. The "library" is no longer just a quiet place, in fact it's the opposite – it's a space that brings students together to work, play, learn and socialize. In 2012, donations made by the Heather and N. Murray Edwards Literacy Fund, school parent councils and an anonymous donor established the funding for 11 CBE school libraries to embark on the unique path of transforming libraries into state-of-the-art learning commons. The Douglasdale School was one of those schools.

The official opening of the Douglasdale School learning commons on Nov. 19, 2012 brought the whole school community together in celebration of their renewed space. The hallways were overflowing with the welcoming smiles of excited students, community members and teachers, each taking pride in their school. The excitement and suspense had been building and soon the doors would open and the mystery unveiled. The transformed library space was filled with:

- knee-high furniture to match the needs of the school's K-4 students;
- beautiful paintings prepared by the students;
- new technology;
- QR codes leading to educational websites;
- educational board games for the "board room," and
- a new creation station designed to make animated movies and robotics.

A key to the success of this project is the flexibility it offers. Students are able to come to the learning commons to work on projects and learn on the devices they are eager to use. This transformation offers comfortable and movable furniture while promoting flexible work spaces for students, teachers and community members. The new learning commons encapsulates everything from books and creation stations to robotics, iMacs, iPads and Smartboards. The Douglasdale School learning commons is the true embodiment of their school's motto, "Imagine! Explore! Create!"

"The most exciting thing in the learning commons would have to be the creation station because I like to make funny movies and movies that express me but I also think that it is really fun and creative."

- Amanda, Grade 4, Douglasdale School

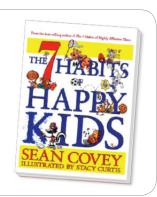


"The Douglasdale learning commons is a lot of fun and exciting! I am very happy to have it in our school and be able to work in it."

- Benjamin, Grade 4 Douglasdale School

The Leader in Me[™]

committed to leadership



"Being a leader at Cappy Smart School makes me feel excited. It gives me goosebumps when I show leadership! It gives me great potential and responsibility when I help other learners."

- Cappy Smart School student

In 2012, the CBE was fortunate to receive a very generous three-year funding commitment from Calgary philanthropist Allan Markin to support The Leader in Me^{T} program implementation in ten schools by 2014. The program, based on Stephen Covey's book, "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People," provides classroom implementation tools to put students on the path to greatness as they integrate timeless principles into their core curriculum and language. The Leader in Me^{T} is proven to build students' self confidence, reduce discipline referrals and increase academic achievement.

Crossing Park and Cappy Smart Schools were identified as initial pilot schools from a list of five schools who expressed interest. Currently, both schools are halfway through their year-one process and on track to continue into the year-two plans.

"The Leader in Me[™] program allows students to be more responsible," reflects Fatima Taleb, parent of a grade four Cappy Smart School student. "I can see a huge transformation in my daughter, she puts first things first and does her homework before she plays, she also helps the younger students to become leaders."

The Leader in $Me^{\mathbb{T}}$ elements and values are a natural fit with CBE goals and provide students with an opportunity to develop the essential life skills and characteristics they need to thrive in the 21st century.

partner



"It is great to see how the students interact with each other; they know that everyone can be a leader. The Leader in Me[™] program empowers the students and provides a sense of community that values their ideas and thoughts. It makes them feel appreciated."

- Jenna Garbaty, teacher, Cappy Smart School

committed to excellence

Joan Ethier Women in Science Scholarship

Nilufer Hasanova, majoring in natural sciences and Abigail Tadigadapa, majoring in biological sciences at the University of Calgary are two dedicated Crescent Heights graduates. They have a common goal of becoming pediatricians to help children and give back to the community.

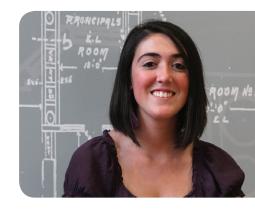
The students' positive attitude towards education and dedication towards helping others was rewarded by Joan Ethier, a former Crescent Heights High School student. Joan Ethier believes that by helping students graduate with degrees in the sciences, more individuals will have the potential for rewarding careers that will benefit them and society. The scholarship is awarded to female students in the Calgary Board of Education pursuing a degree in sciences, engineering or information/computer systems at a Canadian institution. It covers 50 per cent of the university tuition for the first two years.

"It has been a struggle to stay focused but at the end of it all, scholarships like the Joan Ethier Women in Science Scholarship give me strength to push forward and strive to achieve my dreams and goals in life," says Abigail.

The Joan Ethier Women in Science scholarship has changed the lives of Nilufer and Abigail; it was the support they needed to move towards a path of commitment to success and fully realize their potential. "If you are a student who loves education as much as I do, you want to be able to have the opportunity to go to post-secondary." says Nilufer. "Without these donations and scholarships, students would have to say goodbye to their education!"

"My hope is that this award will make a significant difference in the lives of women who receive it now and in the years to come as education is the best tool we have to build better communities for women and men, both locally and globally."

- Joan Ethiei



Nilufer Hasanova
- recipient of the Joan Ethier
Women in Science Scholarship



Abigail Tadigadapa
- recipient of the Joan Ethier
Women in Science Scholarship

FESTO Inc. | committed to innovation



"FESTO Inc. equipment raised awareness for the students to see what's out there. We are teaching them how to think critically and to problem solve; those skills are transferable to just about any discipline."

- Andrew Johnson, teacher



FESTO Inc., a leading world-wide supplier of automation technology and the performance leader in industrial training and education programs, provided the CBE with more than \$150,000 in new equipment and services.

High school students interested in pursuing an academic career in electronics, robotics, mechatronics and preengineering studies are able to access this equipment at the Career and Technology Centre and high schools throughout the system. The pre-engineering program allows students to explore their interest and passion, while keeping them enrolled in school.

"My students don't want to leave the classrooms anymore," says James Spademan, a teacher at Ernest Manning High School. "They are excited to work on the FESTO Inc. equipment and even ask about setting up weekend and evening classes."

For many students in pre-engineering, FESTO Inc. equipment reinforces and strengthens their learning experience and interest in pursuing engineering, electronics and robotics in post-secondary institutions. It allows students to develop a greater understanding of equipment used by corporations, while the e-learning component provides students and teachers with an opportunity to work independently.

"I am grateful to FESTO Inc. for the opportunity and chances they have given us through their donations. It's great to experience new hands-on ways of learning!"

- Sameem Q., Grade 11, Career and Technology Centre student

celebrating community leaders

2012 CBE Distinguished Alumni Awards

In 2001, the Calgary Board of Education Distinguished Alumni Awards were established to acknowledge public education alumni and the meaningful contributions they have made to the community both locally and globally. In 2006, EducationMatters expanded this award into a celebration to pay tribute to these dedicated leaders and to build sustainable support for the Future Leaders Fund, which provides opportunities for CBE students to develop their leadership skills.

The 2012 Distinguished Alumni Awards dinner, themed "Committed to Success," celebrated the best in public education and awarded three successful leaders who are giving back to the community and have a passion for making long-lasting positive changes. It was a true embodiment of a vibrant community, with inspirational role models from wide arrays of life guiding our future leaders and dedicated students of the CBE through the path to success.

Darrel Janz, of CTV Calgary, and Kat Svikhnushin, a grade 12 student from William Aberhart High School, led the evening festivities on Oct. 24, 2012 as guests enjoyed the musical talents of the Central Memorial High School string ensemble. The venue was filled with hundreds of passionate, successful and dedicated leaders along with student ambassadors from Central Memorial, Crescent Heights and Sir Winston Churchill high schools.

Jenn Woods accepted the award on behalf of her former student, Paul Brandt, a graduate of Crescent Heights High School. Paul Brandt, a world-class singer, songwriter, philanthropist, and an inspirational role model is the most awarded male Canadian country artist in history. He recently established The Build It Forward Foundation as a way of giving back to the community.

George Gosbee graduated from Sir Winston Churchill High School and is now the chairman and CEO of AltaCorp Capital, an investment firm he founded in partnership with ATB Financial. He is also vice-chairman of Alberta Investment Management Corp., is on the Economic Advisory Council to the federal finance minister and is active on numerous community boards and charity initiatives.

A distinguished and inspirational graduate of Central High School, Quincy Smith, is considered one of the top lawyers in Canada by Lexpert, a business magazine for lawyers. He has worked in a volunteer capacity with the local United Way, Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra and Calgary Stampede and is dedicated to giving back to Calgary and Alberta.

"I am thankful to people like you, who make a difference in students' lives because it is acts like these that inspire individuals to reach for the stars."

- recipient of the RBC Future Leaders Award



Paul Brandt Crescent Heights High School alumnus



George Gosbee SIr Winston Churchill High School alumnus



Quincy Smith Central High School alumnus

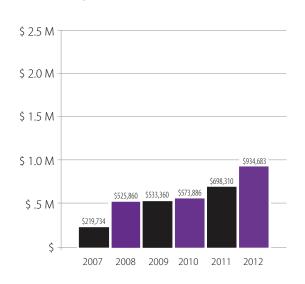
2012 financial highlights

2012 funds overview

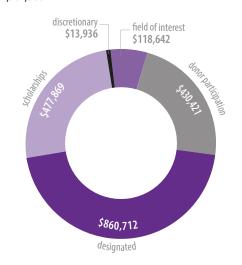
"Your grant allows us the opportunity to expand the sense of pride in Valley View as a member of the broader community."

- Denise Sauverwald Assistant Principal, Valley View School

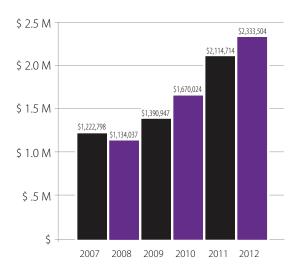
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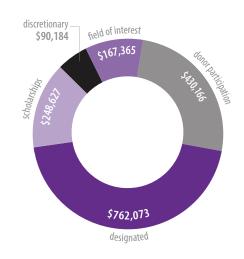
gifts by fund type total \$1,901,580



fund market values 2007 to 2012 endowment



grants by fund type total \$1,698,415



2012 student awards

2012 financial highlights

Scholarship	Amount		Scholarship		Amount	
Aboriginal Students Award	\$	1,000	Green & Gold CTS Scholarship	\$	1,000	
Apache Canada Scholarship	\$	2,000	Green & Gold Fine & Performing Arts Scholarship	\$	2,000	
Archie McKillop Student Award	\$	1,500	Hal Winlaw Health & Nutrition Legacy Award	\$	1,000	
Arrata Family Award for New Canadians	\$	6,300	Henry Wise Wood Class of 1970 Scholarship	\$	600	
Ataturk Peace Scholarship	\$	7,000	Henry Wise Wood Warriors Legacy Endowment Scholarship	\$	2,000	
Bennett Jones Scholarship	\$	500	Hopewell Scholarships	\$	19,475	
Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship	\$	2,000	Hugh Robertson Science Award	\$	300	
Bowness Historical Society Award	\$	500	lvy & Len Freeston Student Award	\$	1,000	
Bruce Leitl Composition Award	\$	500	Jim Hoeppner Award	\$	1,500	
Calgary Board of Education Award for Calgary Bridge Foundation for Youth	\$	7,500	Joan Ethier Women in Science Scholarship	\$	2,666	
Calgary Chamber of Commerce	\$	4,000	Kafe12 Scholarship	\$	2,000	
Carolyn Baxter Memorial Award	\$	500	Keith Yu Memorial Scholarship	\$	1,500	
CBE Staff Association Award	\$	3,000	Kermit Archibald & Jacoba Van Den Brink Entrance Bursary at The Calgary Foundation	\$	40,000	
Chris Pfoh Memorial CTS Award	\$	1,000	Malwyn Jones Memorial Award	\$	4,000	
City of Calgary Degree Granting Scholarship	\$	20,400	Marguerite Patricia P. Bannister Memorial Degree Awards at The Calgary Foundation	\$	44,000	
City of Calgary Post Secondary Scholarship	\$	3,400	Marjorie Taylor Memorial Scholarship	\$	2,000	
ConocoPhillips Canada Awards	\$	10,500	Marofke Family Aberhart Music Scholarship	\$	1,790	
David James Anderson Memorial Award	\$	1,000	M.W. & J.R. Tebo Memorial Journalism Scholarship	\$	600	
Discovering Choices/Leader of Tomorrow Student Award	\$	750	RBC Future Leaders Scholarship	\$	2,000	
Don Hartman Memorial Bursary	\$	1,000	Richard D. Tingle Student Award	\$	1,600	
Dr. Gordon Higgins Student Award	\$	600	Rick Theriault Outstanding Athletic Contribution Award	\$	500	
Edith Berger Memorial Scholarship	\$	500	Samaritan Club Scholarship	\$	2,000	
EducationMatters Career & Technology Studies (CTS) Scholarship	\$	6,000	Shawn Whitney Memorial Award	\$	195	
EducationMatters Future Leaders Scholarship	\$	4,000	Southland Transportation Scholarship	\$	2,000	
ENMAX Environmental Leadership Scholarship	\$	8,000	Steven Irving Memorial Music Scholarship	\$	2,000	
ENMAX Trades Scholarship	\$	2,000	International Science Olympiad Bursary	\$	500	
Gary Weimann Award for Community Service	\$	500	Verna Hart Toole Legacy Award	\$	5,000	
George Morley Memorial Scholarship	\$	250	Western Canada Leader of Tomorrow Award	\$	1,000	
Green & Gold Academics Scholarship	\$	2,000	William Aberhart Alumni Scholarship	\$	3,000	
Green & Gold Alumni Service Award	\$	1,000	William Keir MacGougan Memorial Bursary	\$	700	
Green & Gold Citizenship Scholarship	\$	1,000				

Student Award Totals



"Thank you so much for your generosity and encouragement. I promise to make the most of this wonderful opportunity."

- recipient of Southland Transportation Scholarship

\$ 248,126

2012 financial highlights



"Knowing that there is a stranger out there who is willing to help a student, like me, achieve her dreams is amazing. This scholarship is the little boost I needed to be able to pursue my education."

- recipient of the ConocoPhillips

highlights | 2012 program grants

Program	Amount	Program	Amount	
Beddington Heights School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 25,000	Douglasdale School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 25,000	
Bowness High School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 25,000	EducationMatters: Computer Purchases	\$ 3,121	
Buchanan School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 27,000	Forest Lawn High School: Alberta Skills Competition	\$ 1,425	
Bridlewood School: Playground Enhancements	\$ 7,024	Guy Weadick School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 25,000	
CanLearn Centre/Calgary Learning Centre: Support for Success -		Jack James High School: Alberta Skills Competition	\$ 12,290	
Parent-Child Workshops	\$ 8,160	John G. Diefenbaker High School: Alberta Skills Competition	\$ 380	
Calgary Public Library Foundation: It's a Crime Not to Read	\$ 9,000	John Ware School: New to Debate Tournaments	\$ 500	
Calgary School Athletics Assocation: Student Athletic Fees	\$ 1,200	John Ware School: Transitions III Mental Health	\$ 4,000	
Campus Calgary/Open Minds: 2School Program	\$ 110,929	Keeler School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 18,283	
Cappy Smart School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 36,000	Lester B. Pearson High School: Finance Club	\$ 4,994	
CBE Career & Technology Centre: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 100,000	Langevin School: New to Debate Tournaments	\$ 500	
CBE Discovering Choices: Student Basic Needs	\$ 15,000	Lester B. Pearson High School: Pride in the Properties 2013	\$ 9,851	
CBE Discovering Choices: Student Food Requirements Program	\$ 25,000	Lord Beaverbrook High School: Alberta Skills Competitions	\$ 1,140	
CBE Encore Program for Transportation, Educational Supplies		Olympic Heights School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 25,000	
and/or Emergency Funds	\$ 4,750	Peer Mediation and Skills Training: Peer Mediation and Skills Training Projects	\$ 12,000	
CBE Energy Literacy in Action	\$ 214,960	Piitoayis Family School: For the Love of Literacy Project	\$ 10,000	
CBE Global Learning: International Youth Leadership Summit	\$ 22,400	Piitoayis Family School: "What's my Story?" Artist in Residence Program	\$ 10,000	
CBE Leader in Me [™]	\$ 80,830	Queen Elizabeth High School: School Trip for Students	\$ 1,500	
CBE Learning Services: Calgary Reads/CBE Collaborative Partnership Framework	\$ 60,000	Rideau Park School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 25,000	
CBE Learning Services: Family Oriented Programming	\$ 5,000	Royal Oak School: Digital Literacy/Literacy in the 21st Century	\$ 20,000	
CBE Learning Services: iPads and Software for Students with FASD	\$ 2,400	SEEDS Foundation: Energy Literacy in Action	\$ 25,000	
CBE Learning Services: Supporting Students with Reading Disabilities/Dyslexia	\$ 10,000	Teaming Up 4 Healthy Learners	\$ 255,522	
Centennial High School: Green Earth Program	\$ 7,800	Thomas B. Riley School: Enhancements for Students	\$ 3,694	
Central Memorial High School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 25,000	Tom Baines School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 25,000	
Children's Village School: Creating a Learning Commons	\$ 10,000	Valley View School: Jewel of Dover Mural Project	\$ 10,000	
Children's Village School: Literacy Project	\$ 5,000	Vista Heights School: Library to Learning Commons	\$ 31,000	
Connaught School: English Language Learners – Literacy Through Music	\$ 8,626	West Springs School: Composting Program	\$ 475	
Connaught School: English Language Learners – Oral Literacy Program	\$ 11,995	West Springs School: Playground Enhancements	\$ 1,739	
Cranston School: "How Does Water Build Community!"	\$ 14,800	Western Canada High School: International Youth Leadership Summit	\$ 15,000	

Program Grant Totals

\$1,450,288

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