

Sponsorship Package 2023

Loonies for Literacy is an initiative to celebrate the books and stories students love

Partnering with local authors, community members, and Calgary Board of Education (CBE) schools, EducationMatters is raising funds to invest in school literacy programs for Calgary Public Schools, while also generating awareness of the fundamental importance of literacy. The initiative kicks off on Read Aloud Day- February 1st. The campaign will run through to World Book Day- April 23rd, with students raising funds for their own schools.

To make literacy more equitable across the city, for every dollar raised by a school during this campaign, another dollar will be provided to a school in need through contributions from community partners like yourself.

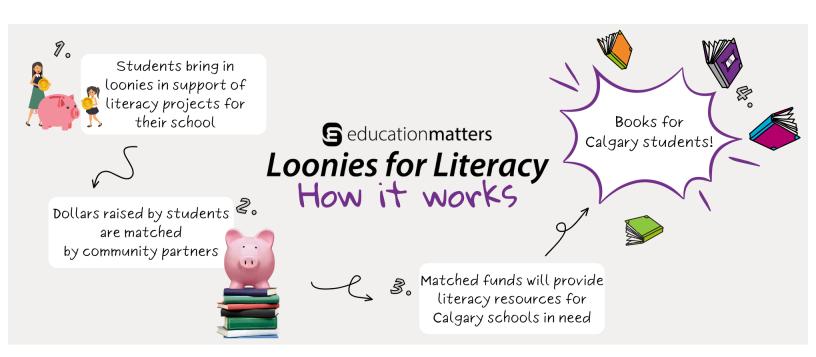
The funds raised by Loonies for Literacy will be used towards literacy programs, including but not limited to:

- o Books for school libraries
- o E-books or e-learning resources
- o Early learning resources
- Decodable texts to help students who are struggling to read

Learning to read opens up a new world of information, imagination, and communication; literacy is essential to developing self-esteem, an understanding of the world, and one's place in it. Please join us in ensuring that no student falls behind.

For more information please contact:

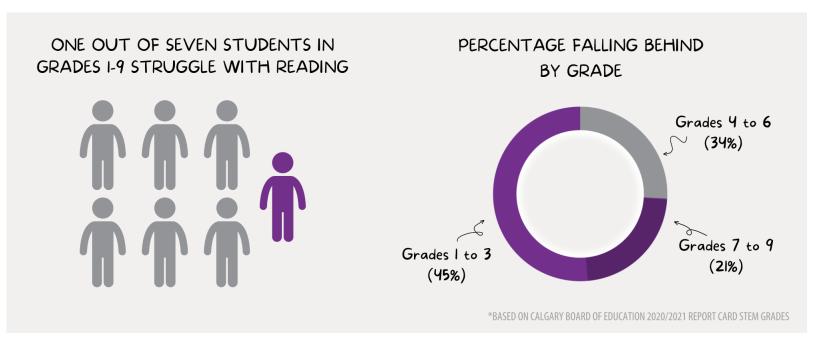
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We need to act now

Kindergarten to Grade 4 are formative years for students. The skills learned in their first five years of education set the foundation for everything that follows. By Grade 5, students have typically moved past 'learning to read' and have transitioned to 'reading to learn'; at this point reading fluency and comprehension are critical to success in all other areas of their education, and students who have fallen behind, tend to struggle throughout the rest of their academic experience.

Many factors contribute to students falling behind from learning differences to language barriers, to socioeconomic challenges – Loonies for Literacy sponsorship dollars will provide support for students in need of a hand up in their education to help them find success in school.



COVID-19 has disrupted every aspect of our lives, and it is also compounding the learning gap. **Pandemic disruptions in children's learning are forecasted to cause a 30% increase in socioeconomic skills gaps**¹; this is on top of the existing data that identifies that **children in lower income neighbourhoods have almost double the chance of being behind in early development skills than children in higher income neighbourhoods².**

Nearly half of Canadian adults have below desired literacy skills for a modern knowledge-based economy³. Investing in students now will help to close the gap over time and give all students similar opportunities for success as they move through their time in school. This is an investment in their future and our community's future; when all of our young people are able to reach their potential, we all benefit.

¹ Research Group on Human Capital and Department of Economics, School of Management, Université du Québec à Montréal

² Pan-Canadian Public Health Network

³ Deloitte LLP. An Economic Overview of Children's Literacy in Canada

Potential Sponsorship Reach

EducationMatters Social Media

Twitter:

3748 followers Average 2.72% engagement rate

Instagram:

1567 followers Average 10.47% engagement rate

Facebook:

1091 followers Average 7.95% engagement rate

LinkedIn:

284 followers Average 5.89% engagement rate

Calgary Board of Education Social Media

Twitter: 17,476 followers

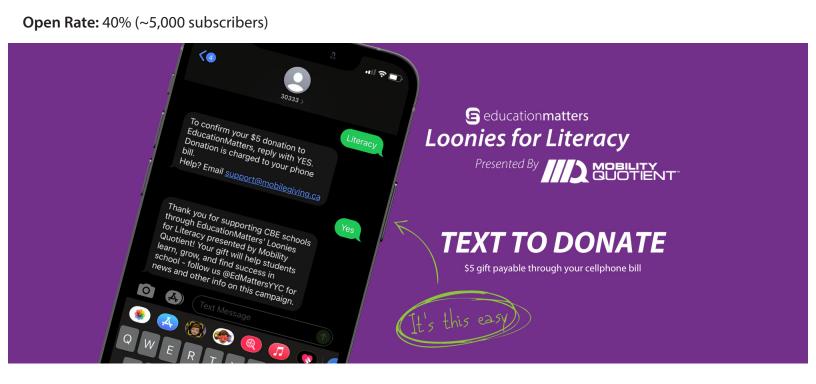
Instagram: 1603 followers

Facebook: 970 followers

LinkedIn: 17,003 followers

EducationMatters Newsletter





Sponsorship Levels

Title Sponsor - Only one (1) opportunity at this level

\$30,000

- Provides naming designation and first right to refusal for future years of Loonies for Literacy
- "Presented by" designation on all online and printed materials
- Exclusive Text-to-Donate messaging to all Text-to-Donate donors (In 2022, 477 donors)
- Included in all potential advertising spots radio, tv, digital

Included feature in EducationMatters 2023 Report to Community

Ability to write a blog for the Education Matters website detailing why they are giving and to share more about their organization

- Logo included on all bookplates which will be placed inside books purchased through Loonies for Literacy
- Name and logo included on EducationMatters website under Loonies for Literacy sponsors



Imagination Level

\$10,000

- Matches student-raised donations up to \$10,000 and will be used to support literacy initiatives for schools in need
- Included on all printed materials for in-school and community promotion
- Logo on 250 bookplates which will be placed inside books purchased through Loonies for Literacy
- Specific mention and thank you in EducationMatters 2023 Report to Community
- Name and logo included on EducationMatters website under Loonies for Literacy sponsors
- Specific social media thank you for contributing on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram



Exploration Level

\$5,000

- Matches student-raised donations up to \$5,000 and will be used to support literacy initiatives for schools in need
- Logo on 100 bookplates which will be placed inside books purchased through Loonies for Literacy
- Specific mention and thank you in EducationMatters 2023 Report to Community
- Name and logo included on EducationMatters website under Loonies for Literacy sponsors



Award Level

\$5,000

- Matches student-raised donations up to \$5,000 and will provide top fundraiser incentives to students and schools
- Logo on 100 bookplates which will be placed inside books purchased through Loonies for Literacy
- Specific mention and thank you in EducationMatters 2023 Report to Community
- Name and logo included on EducationMatters website under Loonies for Literacy sponsors



Discovery Level

\$1,000

- Matches student-raised donations up to \$1,000 and will be used to support literacy initiatives for schools in need
- Logo 20 bookplates which will be placed inside books purchased through Loonies for Literacy
- Name and logo included on EducationMatters website under Loonies for Literacy sponsors
- One social media thank you on Instagram stories