

Establish a Granting Fund

Provide educational enhancements to Calgary's students



EducationMatters works with donors to help finance programs and initiatives that fall outside the scope of government funding through grants and student awards. Grants enable schools to invest in the things that their students need to succeed. We create opportunities today that will help this generation of students earn a living wage and be happy, healthy, productive adults. There are more than 125,000 students studying in CBE schools at any one time, all with different strengths, challenges, and needs. By funding grants, you can make a meaningful difference that has immediate benefits today, and a lasting impact tomorrow; when we invest in our children, we invest in our future and reap the rewards for generations to come.

Invest in Students Now

Invest in students now As the founder of a fund, you determine the criteria by which grants are made. CBE educators apply for grants in late summer/early fall with funding being disbursed by December of that year. Without exception, the donor's wishes are strictly honoured. A donor can participate in the selection of the grantee(s) or can defer the decision to the EducationMatters Grant Committee.

Types of Granting Funds

ScholarshipsSchool Specific - these funds provide annual grants to a specific school or schools. They can be limited to specific uses or be designated at the discretion of the Principal.

Field of Interest - these funds are typically open to all schools to provide support for a specific purpose, educational focus, or student need.

Grants are distributed at every grade level, can be applied for by any CBE school or program and help to fuel innovation in our public schools. With your help, our future leaders will be ready to find their path to success after graduation.

Fund structure

Endowed Fund - a gift provided to be invested where the interest is used to distribute up to 4.5% of the endowed fund. The balance of the interest is rolled back into the capital to allow for future growth. EducationMatters withdraws a 1.5% fee annually for the administration of the award, which is typically covered through the interest earned on the fund. Currently, we utilize the professional services of Mawer Investment Management Limited to manage all funds. A minimum investment of \$5,250 is required to establish an endowed fund.

Flow-through Fund - granting funds can also be established with a flow-through donation. A gift is provided for an award and typically gets distributed within a short period of three to five years. A minimum contribution of \$5,250 is required. Flow-through gifts do not earn interest. EducationMatters withdraws a 3.5% fee on flow-through contributions to cover administration costs.

