



Welcome Back!

Welcome to all of our new and returning students, teachers, and support staff. We hope you've had a wonderful summer and are as excited as we are about the 2010-2011 school year.

This year the Calgary Board of Education celebrates its 125th anniversary. With both our past and present in mind, it is truly incredible how many things have changed during that time. For example, in 1885 the CBE had 70 students in one school; today we have more than 102,000 students in 222 schools. Six of these schools opened their doors to students for the first time this fall.

Our numbers are greater and our technology is superior, but our central goal remains the same, which is to have students complete school with a foundation for life, work and continued learning. To help us achieve this goal we continue to monitor our students' progress in the areas of academic success, citizenship, personal development and character through annual monitoring reports presented by our Chief Superintendent.

Although these reports are an important measure of improvement and an indication of work that still needs to be done, we recognize that everything our students learn cannot be summed up in a few pages. Learning is individual, on-going and the result of many factors in a student's life.

Parents, teachers, community partners, government, and peers all play an important role in a student's educational journey. As your Board of Trustees, we collaborate with these groups to offer a variety of learning opportunities, to enhance current programs and to implement innovative ideas that promote student success.

Just as we have in the past, we look forward to working with all of you during this new school year.

Please visit our website at www.cbe.ab.ca to learn more about the Board of Trustees, the CBE, and acquire a board meeting schedule. You can also contact us with questions, ideas or concerns at BoardofTrustees@cbe.ab.ca or call 403-294-8487.

Board of Trustees

Alberta Education Update

- On July 7th, the Board of Trustees welcomed Education Minister Dave Hancock's announcement that the provincial government will fund the 2.92% teacher salary increase for this school year.
- In a follow-up to its **Inspiring Education** initiative, Alberta Education produced a discussion paper entitled *Inspiring Action*, which will guide the final draft of the revised School Act. Find out more and have your say about the future of public education in Alberta.
<http://engage.education.alberta.ca/>

Support Public Education in Election 2010

Get involved in supporting public education in this year's civic election being held on **October 18th**.

- ✓ Run for CBE Trustee
- ✓ Volunteer on a candidate's campaign
- ✓ Vote!

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