## EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: E. Dosdall, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: McCauley School Invest in the Future Scholarship Fund

ORIGINATOR: Colin Inglis, Principal McCauley School

## **INFORMATION**

Established to help financially disadvantaged McCauley School students stay in school and pursue a post secondary education, the <u>Invest in the Future Scholarship Fund</u> will provide students with potential funding of up to \$2000 per year for up to four years of post secondary education. To qualify, students must be McCauley residents, have an overall average of 80% at the end of grade 9, and have attended McCauley School for at least two years.

A significant drive to establish a McCauley School scholarship fund was student need. In 1998-1999, a total of 14 students qualified for scholarship funding. Last year, 13 students qualified. The Invest in the Future Scholarship Fund will make it possible to target Edmonton's business and public sectors to invest in the fabric of one of Edmonton's oldest communities. This opportunity will be offered publicly later this year through a media unveiling of our symbolic dedication wall, which will recognize the valued family of participating sponsors and partners as the program grows. Once scholarship donors have been identified and an endowment is established, firm criteria can be set guiding values available to each qualified student.

Tonight we are able to recognize the first two donors participating in the Invest in the Future Scholarship Fund.

The lead donor is the legal team of Pringle & Associates, who through their Mid-Summer Barn Dance and Auction in June 2000 raised a total of \$18,186.80. Tonight, we welcome Alex Pringle for public recognition. Mr. Pringle will accept the certificate on behalf of the team.

Our second donor is the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union Local 1118, who have committed a total of \$1,500 toward the scholarship fund. Tonight we welcome Jack Westgeest, president, to accept the certificate on behalf of the United Food and Commercial Workers.

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