

Welcome to

AWARDS NIGHT

2021-22 School Year



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7:00 p.m

The story of us: WHO WE WERE

The Camrose community has faced a lot of challenges since its inception as a town on December 11th, 1906. But equal to the challenges presented by life, Camrose has been shaped by ideals, hard work, toil, risks and tireless hours serving and caring for families, friends and neighbours during the tough times.

Originally, in the 1920s, Camrose High School was called “Normal School.” The original school building structure still stands where it was constructed and is now home to Rosehaven. It is where high school offered subjects like history, latin, trigonometry, calculus and the classics of English literature. It is a distant memory when one considers the subjects of today: robotics, computer coding and technology, psychology, sociology and math, social studies, science and English.

Though the last 115 years have seen many changes and transformations, one constant has remained-Camrose is a city characterized by generosity, and by those who reach out to help others. The pioneers who settled here were people who cherished education, who sought ways to build a future that valued new beginnings, without sacrificing timeless traditions. Interestingly enough, 100 years ago, Camrose was in the midst of a terrible flu pandemic that tested the resilience of virtually every family in the town. The strength to get through that terrible time, along with witnessing two world wars and the great depression, made that generation’s legacy great. Camrose Lutheran College (now University of Alberta Augustana campus), was one of the first structures built when Camrose was incorporated into a town. Our ancestors understood that learning is the answer to many of life’s challenges. Education gives hope and lifts people up, education is healing, redemptive and most of all, education is a way to bring new vision into the world. Camrose Composite High School and tonight’s special ceremony is truly a product of our community’s ideals.

The names of donors in this brochure are familiar to members of the awards committee, but are perhaps less well known to the Camrose community as a whole. We want to share their stories and their legacies to acknowledge their very special contributions to make us one of the most generous schools in Alberta.

The Myginds (Battle River Community Foundation)

The Myginds came to Camrose from Denmark in the 1950s. While on a working honeymoon they found themselves in Donalds, they worked and eventually bought a home east of Camrose. What was to be a one year exchange, became a lifelong commitment to the skills of farming. Their legacy is one which remains many years after its beginnings.

The Hamblys (Battle River Community Foundation)

Dr. Stan Hambly was superintendent of schools, and saw education as a place where students could grow and achieve success by continuing their studies beyond high school. The funds that provide this were started by Dr. Hambly’s daughter and her husband. They still actively contribute to it.

Reynolds Family Scholarship

Academic A student in good academic standing who plans to attend a university.

Vocational For a student who plans to enroll in an apprenticeship, RAP or certified ticket program in vocational studies.

Sharon Mae Saunders Memorial (Battle River Community Foundation)

She was a student who attended CCHS. She was a much loved daughter and all round good student.

Sandy and Carl Krenning Culinary Fund (Battle River Community Foundation)

Carl and Sandy Krenning were in the food service/restaurant business in Camrose for more than 38 years until their retirement. They enjoyed successful careers, both personally and financially, during that time. They are happy to support an award that starts a graduate on a similar path.

The McLearys (Battle River Community Foundation)

The McLeary wing of the high school is named after a dear alumni of the ÉCCHS family. Mr. McLeary was often referred to as a “renaissance man” by his fellow teachers. He was a musician, an academic who loved books, literature and the power of history. Charlie McLeary understood the critical role of the arts in enriching personal experiences for students. He was the creator of the ÉCCHS mantra “Be true to yourself.” which remains to this day.

Melissa Austrom Memorial (Battle River Community Foundation)

Melissa was a fine student who loved learning. She had a warm and ready smile, offering to help others whenever the opportunity presented itself. She was a student who had many plans for her future and was dedicated and motivated by her studies.

Ross Huebner Memorial (Battle River Community Foundation)

Ross Huebner, brother of Pam Brodie, teacher and alumni of Camrose Composite High School, had many interests in life including reading, riding his Harley, cooking, exercising, and taking care of his cats. He had a gentle spirit, a witty sense of humor and was a loyal friend. Ross’s life exemplified an interesting balance of wisdom and intelligence mixed with boyish innocence and wonder. He used his education to deepen his life experiences and to investigate what was, for him, a world of wonder.

Erik Eriksson Memorial (Karen Anderson-Falkenberg)

The Erik Eriksson Memorial award started in 1993 in memory of Erik. Erik’s sunny personality and warmth was admired by his friends when he was a boy attending Charlie Killam junior high. Sadly, Erik developed leukemia when he was 13. Despite struggles with ongoing illness and physical challenges, he found comfort in his studies. His favorite subject was biology. Erik dreamed one day that he would become a wildlife photographer. He was creative and artistic as well. After enjoying traveling on the high school’s spring international trip, Erik returned joyful, but tired. He passed away one month later. He was 17.

Craig Foss Memorial (Maureen Foss)

Craig Foss was a gifted and intuitive artist who took pride in craftsmanship with wood and construction design. The student who receives this award reflects a spirit of talent and passion in the pursuit of wood work.

Norm and Eloise Umbach Fund (Battle River Community Foundation)

Norm and Eloise arrived in Camrose in the 1950s after both served in the second world war. Norm was a navigator and Eloise was a nurse. Norm and Eloise felt that they had benefited from education and from having great teachers. This fund is for students planning to enter the education field to become teachers.

Hershita Sainbhee Memorial Scholarship (Parampreet Sainbhee)

Hershita Sainbhee was a rising star in academic excellence and in her work within the school community. She was an exceptional and much loved student. She had planned to follow in her parents footsteps and become a physician. Hershita's life was one that, while short, was extremely rich. She passed away on June 28th 2018. We still miss her.

Steven Phillips Sportsmanship Scholarship (Ruth Phillips)

Steven Daryl Phillips was born in Camrose on November 12, 1980. Steven was a quiet, easy-going guy who wasted few words yet had the courage to say what he believed. He had a tremendous sense of fun and enjoyed practical jokes and water fights - his warm and mischievous smile being a trademark since childhood. Steven was gentle and thoughtful, often demonstrating a wonderful capacity for warm-hearted affection with those closest to him.

Schloss Endowment (Battle River Community Foundation)

The Schloss family lived in the city of Camrose until the 1980s. Mr. and Mrs. Schloss were advocates of education who believed that to make the world a better place, others must be elevated. The best way to help students grow and have opportunities opened to them was through the discipline of learning. Though the family left Camrose and relocated to Edmonton, their legacy and financial support over the last 20 years, remains an example of what service and kindness looks like.

Glen and Audrey Lett Scholarship (Battle River Community Foundation)

Glenn Lett was a principal at Camrose Composite High School. Mr. Lett was a firm believer that participation in performing arts developed life skills that enabled participants to succeed in a wide variety of professional activities. He also believed in the value of a post-secondary education and in the value of what is now Augustana Campus of the University of Alberta to students in and from Camrose.

Rhine Family Fund Cosmetology Award (Battle River Community Foundation)

This award goes to the cosmetology student who has shown the greatest improvement during the year. The award is based on effort and conduct.

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Under the guidance and ongoing consultation of Dana Andreassen and volunteers like Leon Lohner, the Battle River Community Foundation has been a critical advocate working in an advisory capacity to administer the funds and provide guidance by supporting the school's awards program. BRCF has spent countless hours in their role and we are grateful for their support.



Battle River School Division

Funds donated by private citizens as well as trusts, are managed by BRSD. This enormous undertaking requires months of careful planning, organizing and preparation to make sure the distribution of awards is a process that is equitable, fair and managed responsibly. We are grateful to the dedicated efforts of the accounts managers who monitor and support the complicated finances of the Awards program.

Elks Lodge No 70

Gerry Czapp has spent years in public service to the high school supporting our many CTS programs which are highlighted in their donations to cosmetology, construction, automotives and welding fabrication. Gerry has been an emissary of the Elks for more than two decades. Since 1912, the Elks of Canada have given countless volunteer hours to promoting and serving community needs across Canada. Gerry Czapp, along with all Camrose Elks Members, would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the students on their success and wish them the best in the future.



The Order of Royal Purple

The organization of the Royal Purple supports students around the Camrose Community by donating both time and resources to worthy projects including the Boys and Girls Club, the Stollery Hospital and by investing in Camrose Composite High School students. Inaugurated in 1937, they have had a long tradition of community volunteerism. They are looking for new members to continue providing programming.

Women of the Moose

This organization began in Chicago, Illinois and has been running for over 100 years. Their mission is to give to the community and have been volunteering to support and donate resources to local schools and community based programs. If you want to volunteer time and be a part of an organization that makes a difference to others, please contact the lodge at 780 672 2502. We are presenting the awards on behalf of Judy Sturek and Freda Kushnerick.

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The story of us: WHO WE WILL BECOME

Faith Adam

Faith Adam was an extremely gifted English student who participated in the Advanced Placement Program in both English and European History. Her university aspirations include finding ways to increase access to mental health support for students in rural school divisions. “My experience at the Camrose Composite High School has taught me about compassion, hard work, perseverance and hope. My dream is to work to improve the lives of young people. A goal to provide hope to the hopeless. To help people who suffer silently.” Faith’s mature and empathetic outlook will ensure that her gifts reach many others in the years ahead. Faith Adam receives the Gilbertson Award, the Alberta Teacher Association Award and the Mygind Scholarship.



Adia Andersen

Adia was a student who took her courses seriously. She excelled in and enjoyed studying the sciences the most. “I appreciated being a student of ECCHS because for the first time teachers saw potential in me that I had never experienced before. This caused me to become excited about school, often conversing with other students in the class. I enjoyed the atmosphere. The more I studied Biology the more interested I became in studying viruses. Especially after I saw the impact of Covid 19. It was an epiphany moment that made me change my plan.” Adia is attending Mount Royal University. Adia receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.



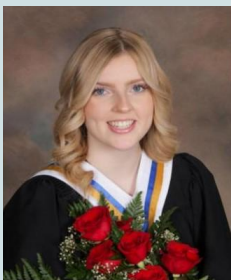
Anders Bouck

Anders predicted his own future when, as a grade 9 Language Arts student, he wrote an essay to his future self. “In grade 12 I hope to have close friends and be signed to play post secondary volleyball.” Anders can officially say he has completed both of these goals and is now attending the University of Calgary to study Engineering. “These high school years have given me leadership qualities, friendships, and great relationships with teachers and peers.” Anders receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship and the Ross Huebner Memorial Scholarship.



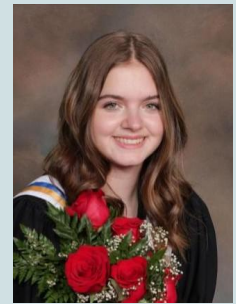
Cadence Bratrud

Cadence appreciated the warm and inclusive atmosphere of ECCHS. “ There were always smiling faces when you entered the building. The faculty didn’t just support me, they guided me into finding my passion.” For 5 years, through both Junior and Senior High School, Cadence had a passion for Design Studies taught by Mr. Angelstad. Cadence is attending MacEwan University for this very specialized program. Cadence receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.



Taylor Brady

Taylor is attending the University of Saskatchewan this fall. She credits a lot of role modeling from her teachers as a gift that helped her cultivate her interests in biology. “I am interested in working in a marine animal rehabilitation center where I hope to learn more about the ocean and the animals inhabiting the waters. I also hope to look for ways to keep that environment healthy and diverse. 95% of our oceans have not been explored, I plan to be one of the scientists to learn about the mysteries of these sea creatures and gain knowledge that others do not have.” Taylor receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.



Marissa De Hoog

Marissa thrived by participating in the ECCHS Drama Program. She was the lead of the play “Anne of Green Gables” last year. She also was deeply impacted by being a part of the Leadership class. Impressed by her new friendships, and the guidance of teachers, she has decided to enroll at the University of Alberta with a plan to go into Elementary Education. “Through all the activities of the school, I have gained confidence in myself, and I want to share my love of learning by encouraging others to discover new abilities and new ideas. It’s a gift to know I will be able to help others build friendships, like I have.” Marissa receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship, the Alice Thom Memorial Scholarship and the Charlie and Helen McCleary Endowment.



Kiah Easton-Ihediohanma

Kiah is an example of a talented student/athlete who thrived at ECCHS. “I competed on the Volleyball, Basketball and Badminton teams and really enjoyed the atmosphere of the games. We received 2nd place for volleyball, Provincial 3A title for basketball and 1st place in mixed doubles for badminton.” She also enjoyed the Advanced Placement Program. Her area of interest is in CTS Design Studies. “I found the software and the 3D printing a real privilege to learn about. I was able to submit a portfolio and it ultimately resulted in gaining an admission into a Bachelor of Design program at the University of Alberta.” Kiah also speaks to the many strong friendships she gained as a student. Kiah is playing basketball at the University of Alberta this fall. Kiah receives the Agnes Boness scholarship, the Sharon Saunders Memorial Award and the Errol Moen Award.





Emily Eggink

Emily has appreciated the diverse program offerings at ECCHS particularly in the options. These choices enabled her to find her true interests. She also appreciated being a student of the French Immersion Program. “Learning in French has not only taught me the discipline that allowed me to build a tight knit group of teachers and friends, but I was also able to take the DELF exam which is a French certificate that is recognized globally. I also know that my future lies in a science related field especially biology and psychology. I am interested in Speech Language Pathology and hope one day to work with children.” Emily receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.

Aiden Krebs-Elaschuk

Aiden participated in the Advanced Placement Program and had a warm and generous demeanor with all his classmates. He is pursuing Education at the University of Alberta Augustana Campus. “The staff at Camrose Composite High School inspired me to pursue a career in Education. I saw true passion in educators and it was evident that they loved what they were doing. I feel this passion myself and want to spread inspiration and encouragement. I will pursue a bachelor of science and begin teaching as soon as I graduate.” Aiden receives the Mygind Scholarship and the Stan and Gladys Hambly Scholarship.

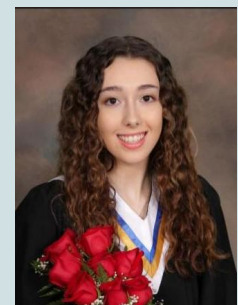


Meadow Haugen

Meadow realized that she would like to become a teacher after having to be one during a drama project.”This project taught me the importance of being respectful and taking on a professional manner and to have good organizational skills. I have worked on my ability to talk to others, to give directions and to give and accept constructive criticism.” Meadow’s hard work and enthusiasm have been her hallmark while attending ECCHS. Meadow receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship, the Melissa Austrom Scholarship, and the Stan and Gladys Hambly Scholarship.

Keirah Heise

Keirah found her time at ECCHS to be eye opening and inspiring. She has enjoyed making new friends and appreciated how the teachers made her feel welcome after she transferred in the middle of her grade 11 year. “ I hope to benefit those that are in need of comfort in mental and emotional ways. I am going into Psychology for my BA at the University of Alberta and then pursue a master’s degree. “ Keirah receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.





Semira Hillman

Semira participated in Advanced Placement class and also became involved with the school's leadership opportunities. She enjoyed music and CTS option classes provided by the school. "Another thing I love about the school is the student council. Very inclusive for all classes, and it allows people to become leaders. They get significant roles in the school. They are the voices of those who are not heard. They plan many events to keep up the school spirit and make school fun for everyone." Her future plans include supporting others by pursuing sciences at Grant MacEwan University. "My plan is to go to MacEwan university where I will be taking general science. I plan to major in psychology and later apply to social work." Semira receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship

Isabella Hoppe

Isabella Hoppe enjoyed both the academic and creative ventures of ECCHS. "One particular class that spoke to me through the years was fashion studies. I enjoyed the artistry and enjoyed becoming a creative person. I will continue to be in touch with that creativity." But Isabella also appreciated the rigors of the academic courses. "I hold dear to me a great sense of strength and positivity that I felt being able to attend ECCHS. Isabella is pursuing a degree at the Edmonton campus of the University of Alberta to pursue a degree in Psychology. She receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.



Wesley Joyce

Wesley is attending the University of Calgary pursuing a degree in accounting. Wesley accelerated in all his classes and built great friendships with peers. "I am very honored to have been able to be involved with the environment created by this school and look forward to being able to use the experience I have gained to help others and better the community through which I grew up. As I begin this next step in my life, I will remember the people who contributed to my success." Wesley receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship and the Jesse Burgess Chamber of Commerce Award.

Dawson Mairena

Dawson has an enormous amount of talent when it comes to CTS courses, especially welding. He has been interested in pursuing his trade certificates and has now made plans to apprentice to become a full time welder. "Mr. Huslage was a wonderful teacher and put in a lot of hours to support my studying and the completion of my projects." Dawson enjoyed athletics, automotives and a variety of courses while attending ECCHS. Dawson receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship and the Reynolds Vocational Award.



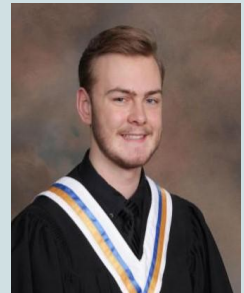


Tyler Mokry

Tyler has been accepted into the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Alberta. “Why is high school such a critical and unforgettable time? Because this is where you make friendships, and acquire an array of knowledge and intelligence that prepares us for university.” Being an active member of the Advanced Placement Program has also helped him grow academically. “I hope to do a lot of volunteering at the U of A.” Tyler receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.

Chad Nichol

Chad has been involved in all aspects of learning while attending ECCHS. He is a gifted musician, who participated in music with the Youth Wind Symphony. His love of science led him to participate in a program called “Young Medical Minds.” His interest in academics led him into Advanced Placement courses, and was the grade 12 Valedictorian at the school’s graduation. “Being a Camrose resident and ECCHS student benefited me in a variety of ways, including accommodating classes and teachers as well as many other disciplines such as AP, athletics, trades and arts. ECCHS has given me a lot of vital lessons and introduced me to many new opportunities that have shaped my future.” Chad receives the Al and Ann Schloss Scholarship and as well as the Governor General Award for highest overall academic standing.

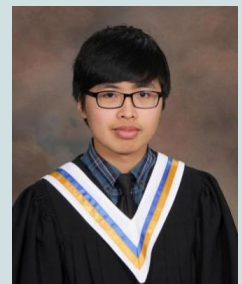


Kurt Niehoff

Kurt is attending Concordia University in Edmonton. He has been an athlete, and a student who appreciated both CTS and core courses. “During my four years at the Camrose Composite High School I learned lots of new things, and ways to help others out. I am walking out of this building with lots of benefits from CTS and core classes. The level that all these classes are taught at has shown me the different types of careers and pathways I could take next year. As well as the sports teams I was involved with, the whole time I was at the Comp I was benefiting from the teachers and coaches.” Kurt receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.

Tri Nguyen

Tri immersed himself in his studies at Camrose Composite High School. He was an avid and enthusiastic learner who participated in extracurricular subjects ranging from student council, drama, studies of science, to Advanced Placement. He also participated in several STEM competitions. Tri won first prize at the Provincial Alberta Envirothon, he received a Bronze medal at the Canada wide Science Fair in 2022. He received a gold award for APEGA Science Olympics in 2020 and in 2021. Tri is the embodiment of a STEM student. Tri is attending the University of Alberta Edmonton campus. Tri receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.





Kotaro Okada

Kotaro is studying for a Bachelor of Sciences in Animal Health, at the University of Alberta. Kotaro flourished at ECCHS. He speaks highly about the athletics program and what it meant to forge friendships with students by collaborating and bouncing ideas off peers. He thanks his coaches for guidance and team work. Finally he acknowledges that high school did much to help him prepare for future studies and that “I am thankful to my family, friends and school community for the support and encouragement they have given me. I hope to give other people around me the same love and kindness I have been shown.” Kotaro receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship and the Ross Huebner Memorial Scholarship.

Dorian Park

Dorian Park was a music enthusiast from the time he arrived at ECCHS. “I believe our band program is the best. It allowed me to participate in Northern Alberta Junior Honor band and recently the Youth Wind Symphony. The music programs at ECCHS made me realize how much I enjoyed band and enabled me to follow it through as a potential career. I want to become a band or music teacher.” Dorian receives the Glenn and Audrey Lett Award as well as the Mygind Scholarship.

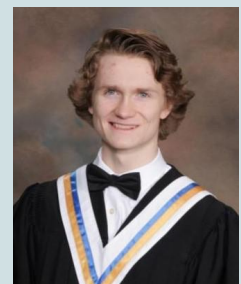


Isaac Swanson

Isaac is attending the University of Alberta this fall. He has appreciated all the programs ranging from woodworking, foods to cosmetology. But the program that really inspired him was Athletics. He is pursuing this passion by enrolling in the University of Alberta for Sports, Recreation and Tourism this year. His long term goal is to eventually go into business and set up his own fitness center. “ It’s really important for people to have an active fitness lifestyle. I feel as though I possess the tools needed because both my dad and grandfather have owned their own businesses.” Isaac receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.

Colby Sych

Colby is attending NAIT and pursuing a Mechanical Engineering Technology degree. Colby arrived at ECCHS ready to learn. He quickly adapted to the school and enjoyed both the competitive aspects of learning as well as opening his social circles, making new friends. “ECCHS has impacted my future plans by motivating me to use the skills I’ve developed to attend a quality program that will lead to a successful career. The excellent teaching allowed me to learn course material extremely well.” Colby receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.





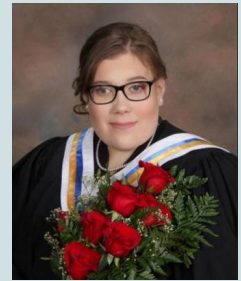
Faith Taylor

Faith Taylor has been not only a high achieving student with her academic studies, but an extreme physical education enthusiast who found great friendships in her FACT class. Faith has worked with young students as a coach and an instructor through Crossfit. This has led her to pursue a career in the field of nursing.

“Experiences that impacted my plans were working with ‘Serve and Connect’ which helped first responders and spouses find support during the pandemic. Both of my parents work in the medical field and I have seen first hand how the pandemic impacted them.” Faith came up with fundraising ideas and found retreats where first responders could take time off. She has also worked as a pharmacy assistant. Faith receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.

Justice Wollman

Justice has been a student who persevered in her studies despite serious health challenges. Despite hardships that would overwhelm many people, Justice faces these difficulties searching for opportunities to encourage others and to make the world a better place. She babysits, takes family acquaintances to the park, freely lends a hand whenever it's needed. She has made the very best of her high school education and was inspired by her teachers who worked to support her. Justice is attending Red Deer College and studying Early Childhood Learning. “I have learned that I am warm hearted, and like being kind to others. I really feel like I can help children to learn and grow.” Justice receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship.



Nathan Yu

Nathan Yu is attending the University of Calgary with a major in Commerce. “The staff and everyone in between made a friendly environment unlike any other for the incoming students. From that point forward, I knew ECCHS would help me grow into the confident, intellectual, and outgoing young man I am today. During my time at ECCHS, I've made a lot of new friends and received essential experience that will help me move into adulthood.” Nathan receives the Agnes Boness Scholarship and the Stephen Phillips Sportsmanship Memorial Award.