

news release

Manmeet Singh Bhullar honoured with CBE Legacy Award

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CALGARY – The Calgary Board of Education (CBE) Board of Trustees is honoured to announce Manmeet Singh Bhullar as the second recipient of the CBE’s Legacy Award. The award will be presented at the Public Board Meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 12 p.m.

Manmeet Singh Bhullar attended three CBE schools – Chief Justice Milvain School, Annie Gale School and Lester B. Pearson High School. Bhullar passed away on Nov. 23, 2015, after a traffic accident on the QEII Highway where he had stopped to assist another traveller.

At the time of his death, Bhullar was the MLA for Calgary-Greenway and a member of the Progressive Conservative party. Elected in 2008, Bhullar served as Minister of Human Services, Minister of Service Alberta and Minister of Infrastructure during his political career. Known for his passion for youth, justice and education, Bhullar was well respected by his community, his constituents and his peers in Government.

The CBE announced that the new school under construction in Martindale would be named in Bhullar’s honour earlier this year.

“Manmeet Bhullar accomplished tremendous things during his lifetime,” says Joy Bowen-Eyre, chair, CBE Board of Trustees. “His work in public service, especially in the interest of youth, has truly left a legacy for Albertans. We are so pleased to be honouring him with this award and only wish he could accept it personally.”

The CBE Legacy Award celebrates public education in Calgary and the individuals who have contributed to our communities. In every corner of the city, across the country and beyond, CBE alumni have made a lasting impact.

Public education makes a difference in our communities, our country and our world. Legacy Award recipients will embody the work of the public education system and represent the legacy of the CBE: preparing students for life, work and inspiring life-long learning.

Nominations for the Legacy Award are accepted year round. The form is available on the CBE website at <http://cbe.ab.ca/about-us/board-of-trustees/Pages/legacy-award.aspx>

Media are invited to attend the award presentation. Members of Bhullar’s family will be accepting the award on his behalf.

Date Tuesday, Nov. 29, 2016

Time 12 p.m.

Where CBE Education Centre
1221 – 8th Street. S.W.

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About the Legacy Award

Since 2002, CBE Board of Trustees have recognized significant CBE alumni through the Distinguished Alumni Program administered by EducationMatters, the CBE's charitable trust. In the past 14 years, recipients have included Olympians, philanthropists, politicians, doctors and others who have made an impact on the lives of Albertans, and who exemplify the CBE Results.

The CBE Distinguished Alumni Awards were the catalyst for the creation of EducationMatters' Emerging Leaders fund. Student leadership opportunities, civic engagement initiatives and post-secondary student awards are among the projects supported through this fund.

The CBE Legacy Award is a fresh take on recognizing the achievements of our alumni. Success at the CBE is highly personal, with each student defining how they learn best and our teachers working to recognize the unique talents and gifts of each student. We want to acknowledge the individuals who continue this work, who use their unique talents to make our world better, the former students who are our legacy.