

Growing Together – Learning Forever

Mission

Create a universally recognized model for enhancing rural community capacity, through meaningful partnerships, that ensures seamless, quality, accessible, and innovative education for all learners.

Vision

Indisputably recognized as a leading educational environment, in personalizing success for all learners in their community.

Outcomes

1. Provide reciprocal and seamless transfer between high school, post-secondary and community
2. Personalize learning to meet diverse needs
3. Create a campus that encompasses and promotes environmental sustainability
4. Advance rural community development

Community Learning Campus Unique in Canada

The Fusion of Government Policy and Community Vision – The *Made in Alberta Solution* for the creation of the Community Learning Campus (CLC) reflects the vision put forth by the Government of Alberta in their 20 Year Strategy, the *Rural Alberta Development Initiative*, and the *Campus Alberta Initiative*. The simple desire to find a way of delivering education to secondary students has grown into a unique educational collaboration that reflects many provincial policies.

Leading in Learning - The CLC vision focuses on providing an environment that brings together high school and post-secondary education in one place, creating a seamless transition for students wishing to enter the workforce, apprenticeship, college, or university. A major goal of the CLC is to encourage rural students to remain in rural Alberta, if they wish, to advance their studies and broaden life choices.

Equal Opportunities for All Albertans - The CLC Learning Plan reaches well beyond the high school and college student population to impact *all* learners, opening doors for continuous learning, retraining opportunities, and professional development, regardless of age and training. Operating on a year-round schedule and offering distance and on-site opportunities, the CLC allows learners greater flexibility to personalize their academic and career paths.

Partnerships for Today and Tomorrow

Olds College and Chinook's Edge School Division (CESD) are the principle partners in this innovative approach to high school, post-secondary and community education. Through a collaborative effort the partnerships have expanded to include Mountain View County, Town of Olds, University of Alberta, Olds Institute of Community & Regional Development, and others.

The unique design process for the CLC has people talking, working together, and looking toward the big picture. Long after the CLC buildings, budgets and reports are complete, friendships and partnerships developed through this project will continue. A legacy of collaboration has been created, and the community is ready and excited about the possibilities the CLC represents.

The Campus

Integrated with the Olds College campus, the CLC consists of four joint use facilities:

Core High School

Fine Arts & Multi Media Centre

Health & Wellness Facility

Bell e-Learning Centre

The construction dates of the CLC buildings will be staggered from summer 2006 onward. The first building to be constructed is the Bell e-Learning Core with completion in fall 2007. Remaining buildings will be completed by fall 2009.

Impact on the Community

The Community Learning Campus will:

- Personalize learning to meet diverse learning needs, build leadership capacity, and promote life long learning
- Provide reciprocal and seamless transition for students between high school, post-secondary, and the workforce
- Create synergy to make efficient use of existing and new facilities and human resources
- Improve access to facilities and technology specifically designed for special learning and community needs
- Strengthen the linkage between the community and education
- Enhance access to arts, cultural, recreation, sports, and wellness programs
- Demonstrate commitment to the environment through a campus that encompasses and promotes environmental sustainability by being as energy efficient as possible
- Build rural community capacity and sustainability by creating opportunities for learners to live and work in their communities
- Advance government rural development strategies

The CLC will provide services to over 80,000 urban and rural residents, not including learners outside of Alberta and Canada. More than just inspiring architecture, the CLC and its Learning Plan will be one of the most innovative approaches to high school, college, and community education in the world.

| Financial Impact ¹ | Area (m ²) | Projected Costs | |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Core High School | Combined with HW | \$14,927,734 | |
| Health & Wellness Facility | 11,851 | \$24,273,988 | |
| Fine Arts & Multi Media Centre | 1,814 | \$ 8,856,204 | |
| Bell e-Learning Centre | 2,499 | \$ 7,987,367 | |
| Remote Facilities – Distance Learning | | \$ 576,902 | |
| Site Development | | \$ 7,456,156 | |
| Bus Maintenance Facility | 333 | \$ 828,949 | |
| College Renovation Costs – CTS Shops & Library | | \$ 188,594 | |
| Contingency | | \$ 203,840 | |
| Totals | 16,497 | \$65,299,734 | \$65,299,734 |
| Less Funding from Provincial Government | | | \$48,795,501 |
| Total Required from Other Sources | | | \$16,504,233 |

¹The total project costs shown in the Olds College Business Plan 2007-2011 are \$62.1 million. Since the printing of this document architectural changes and inflation have increased the CLC's overall project cost. The figures above reflect these changes as of August 2007.



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