

Dear Future Students, Future Parents, and Alumni,

Welcome to our special edition of The Beacon, focusing solely on Recruitment. You may be a student who is considering LCBI High School for fall 2015. You may also be a parent or an alumnus who likely knows a teen who is going to make a decision where to attend high school in the fall. We want to boldly suggest LCBI High School be in that conversation, and here are a few of many excellent reasons why.

#### Academics

- Over 90% of our graduates go on to study at universities and colleges across Canada
- Students are scheduled into Supervised Study Monday through Thursday from 8:00-9:00pm and is overseen by our academic staff
- Average class size is 16 students
- Faculty to student ratio is 1:8

#### Faith

- We are open to all backgrounds; our current student population comprises Lutheran, Catholic, Anglican, United, and other denominational heritages
- We See Jesus in daily chapel time and we start each academic day in the best way by collectively lifting up our concerns to God and being thankful for what He has given us
- Christian Ethics 10,20, and 30 are CORE Classes

### Athletics

- Be a part of a strong program where we proudly display over 80 Provincial individual and team banners in our impressive gymnasium
- Most students who want to be involved in a particular sport can make a team and get playing time

### **Dorm Experience and Friendships**

• Alumni from 50 years ago still state that although academic, athletics, and faith were integral to their development as productive citizens, it was the LIFELONG friendships they made while living here that continue to make the biggest impact in their lives. Town students feel the same way





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The mission of this school shall be to provide a high quality education for youth, helping them to discover their gifts and to develop their potential as members of the family of God, through a sound academic, worship and boarding life.

"We Would See Jesus" John 12:21



### Life

- Our small numbers and supportive and accepting campus culture allows for students to truly be themselves and maintain a healthy moral compass in a Christian community
- Because of our small student population and high staff to student ratio, an awe inspiring 1:3, NO child is left to fall through the cracks
- Our students experience immense growth and maturity living away from home; our graduates are well-equipped for the transition to living on their own or in post-secondary residences as well as meeting the demands of post-secondary life
- Students that have Home Schooled at an elementary and middle years level are succeeding with the high school curriculum at LCBI
- Students who have had negative school experiences have thrived at LCBI and found a safe haven here

#### Admissions

- Our Application process has developed into a rigorous procedure and we believe that LCBI is a great fit for most students and most students are a great fit for us
- We do acknowledge that we cannot be everything to everyone, and our Admissions Policy now reflects that

### Financial

- Yes, an education at LCBI is a financial sacrifice. BUT, the tax incentives can be substantial.
- In certain circumstances, the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) allows a portion of amounts paid for tuition to privately supported secular and religious schools to be considered a charitable donation

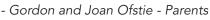






## **Parent Stories**

Sending our children to LCBI for grades 10-12 was a rewarding decision for us, as parents. As local parents, we always knew where our children were, as LCBI evenings were busy with activities. On many weekends, students would come out to our farm for a movie, a home-cooked meal, or time around the fire pit. Some students helped out on the farm and several took advantage of our vehicles to try for their driver's license! We have great memories of talent shows, choir performances, football games, dramas, and other events. We feel blessed that our children had the opportunity to attend LCBI and learn and grow in faith. We would do it all over again in a heartbeat!



"I have been privileged and blessed to teach and coach at LCBI for 35 years. The great memories are a treasure chest. LCBI is a place where students grow in their relationship towards each other and to God. As well as receiving quality education, extra curricular opportunities abound. Students can be their unique selves and know that they are accepted for who they are. God's Word is proclaimed daily and becomes relevant in everyday life. While the names, faces and facilities have changed over the years, our motto "We would see Jesus" is central to all that is done. The strong friendships forged here extend to all parts of Canada and beyond. The friends that are met here become like family and share in our life's journey. They are a special gift that LCBI is able to give all who come here. LCBI is blessed and is a blessing."

- Cliff Adelman Coach, parent, and former teacher











LCBI has been one of the best things that has ever happened to me. I am so happy I was able to spend three years here. It is a great place to be because everybody here is pretty much your family, so it is literally your home away from home!

- Jasmine Romanchuk, Grade 12

I love that the gym is always open and accessible. I can go shoot basketball anytime, even if it's only 10 minutes between classes. Dorm life is awesome too.

- Andreas Graupe, Grade 11

## Candidate School for IB Diploma Programme

If you will be entering grade 11 in the 2016-2017 school year, you may have an additional academic option at LCBI High School- the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program. This academic program is a two year (grade 11 and 12) program of academic and personal rigour. Students work towards credits in the Saskatchewan curriculum as well as working towards IB course credits in hopes of being rewarded with an IB diploma. It is also possible to receive credit for first year university courses- by achieving a particular grade in IBDP courses.

LCBI has been on a journey the past two years:

Effective May 2014, LCBI High School was officially recognized as a candidate school for the International Baccalaureate World Schools Diploma Programme. We are pursuing authorization as an IB World School. These are schools that share a common philosophy: a commitment to high quality, challenging, international education that LCBI High School believes is important for our students.

Last October we received a two day visit from Mr. Andy Krawczyk, an IB Consultant from Vancouver. His visit helped us to ensure we are meeting IB guidelines as set out in the application for authorization process. We are now in the year 2 of a 3 year authorization process, filling out several forms and preparing documents to be submitted to the IBO by April 1st.

As per the requirements of the authorization application all of our History, Biology, Mathematics and Language A: Literature, Spanish, and Creativity/ Activity/Service faculty have attended their respective subject IB workshops. Dr. Cristina Pennington, our IBDP Coordinator designate, is spearheading the authorization process.

In the fall we will receive a second visit by two IB consultants. Based on the forms and documents we will have submitted, they will determine if LCBI is ready to start offering the Diploma Programme.

The 2015-2016 school year will be the third and last year of the authorization process to start offering the IB Diploma Programme. Our intent is to start offering the Diploma Programme to grade 11 students in September 2016.

For further information about the IBDP programme please visit www.ibo.org/ diploma/. To learn more about all IB programmes please visit www.ibo.org.

### **Current Student Stories**

LCBI to me is a family, a second home. It's a place where I feel safe, where I feel like I can be myself. Some of my favorite things are the people for sure! Everyone is so loving and kind and almost always up to chat. Another favorite is the Bison Pride, never have I seen a school that has as much pride as LCBI. This is definitely the place to be. I love LCBI, it's the best decision I ever made to come here.

- Cheyanne Dumont, Grade 10

The best part about LCBI is how much of a family-like home it is. I know that I am accepted here and everyone is always there for each other.

- Alise Kurtz, Grade 11

LCBI is a home away from home to me. It is a place where I can be myself and truly explore my faith.

- Haley Clarke, Grade 12

The first three words that pop into my mind when someone says LCBI are family, home and safe. Three words that don't come up often thinking of school. When you come to LCBI you are forever a part of the growing family. LCBI is my home away from home. At difficult times in my life, LCBI was my home. I feel safe here. Everyone is loving and caring. Amazing!

- Victoria Skelton, Grade 12

# Ready to start your next chapter? Visit LCBI High School!



For an average teenager born and raised in Tokyo, moving to Canada to attend a boarding school was a fairly unusual, perhaps a bit insane, decision to make, but when I found out about LCBI, I felt inexplicably compelled to give this school a try. It was only possible by God's will and guidance, and I'm really grateful for that. The greatest thing about LCBI is that it's a very welcoming place. It's not only that people are kind, friendly and so on, but more profoundly, people are ready to accept you as part of the family. You have caring, patient, loving staff members you can rely on and trust. Living with other students in the dorm helps to build a much closer community, too. Though I was far away from home in Japan for three school years, it was only for the first few weeks that I felt like a stranger, because after then I understood that I was a part of the new home, (which is guite strange to think about now, but it's true.) I'm really thankful and proud that I flew from Japan and spent the last three years of high school at LCBI.

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- Masato Shimokawa, Alumnus 2009, Tokyo Japan

### **Alumni Stories**

LCBI is the epitome of developing life-long relationships. The people I have met in the three years I was at LCBI have impacted my life one way or another. The friends you make become your second family. The staff are willing to put in extra time to see you succeed and show what you are truly capable of. Their consistent support throughout the whole school year just shows how much they care. I have had many positive experiences when I attended LCBI. I was involved in athletics, mission trips and student engagement groups. Each of these experiences have shaped me to be the person I am today. I am in my last semester of University, graduating with a B.ED (Bachelor of Education) and being an active participant in student politics. It was the people at LCBI that has pushed me to grow and strive in all areas my life.

-Wendy Li, Alumnus 2010, Outlook, SK



Ready to start your next chapter?
APPLY NOW!

Applications are available at **www.lcbi.sk.ca**. If you have further questions, contact

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### What makes the LCBI story different?

LCBI is a living entity that has operates within a cycle. While enrollment is currently down and fundraising is always an effort, this is part of a cycle that historically has swung upwards again.

So why should we do anything if the cycle is going to swing up again?

Well, the cycle does not swing on its own, we need the momentum of our supporters to help move us through the low times and push back up to the top.

Here is what LCBI has that will help us build momentum:

- LCBI has an incredible support network of alumni and friends of the school.
- LCBI has a strong support staff that includes an active recruiter who uses every opportunity to promote the school.
- There are dedicated committees that focus on fundraising and recruitment.
- The board and staff are committed to the implementation of the IB (International Baccalaureate) program.

**Most importantly, LCBI has you.** We rely on you as alumni and friends of the school to help spread the word about the school to students and parents who may benefit from the incredible experience that is LCBI. We also rely on you to financially help through the low times. **This would be one of those times!** 

The Fund Development Committee has two active fundraising programs in place.

- The "\$1000 from a 1000" program asks 1000 people to donate a \$1000 each. Many people have taken the opportunity to support this effort. Could you?
- The CAFT (Commercial Automated Funds Transfer) program works through the local Credit Union. You can designate an amount to be withdrawn from your account regularly. It's easy! Forms can be downloaded online. One is also included with this letter. Fill it out and return it to the LCBI Office.
- You could combine CAFT with your \$1000 commitment in manageable segments.
- ALL of your gifts make LCBI's vital work with students possible.

Thank you! During the month of March, the Fund Development committee is initiating a tele-thon to contact supporters of the school. Student callers will thank you for your support and will tell you about their experiences at LCBI that were made possible by your support.

### LCBI is here to stay. Please take this opportunity to support the school. Be part of the future!

LCBI CAFT Payments
Payee Name:
Account Number:
Financial Institution:
<u>Please attach a Void cheque.</u>
Donation Amount:
Transfer Frequency: Monthly Bi-Weekly
Transfer Start Date:
Expiry Date:
I authorize LCBI – Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute – to debit my account through CAFT (Customer Automated Fund Transfer) as per my instructions.
Date Signature
Gifts to this ministry will support programs and projects approved by LCBI. Each gift designated toward an approved program will be used as designated with the understanding that when any given need has been met, designated gifts will be allocated where needed most.
Please return completed form to:
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