



## PROJECT REFRESH

## **FURNISHING THE FUTURE**

At Aspengrove, we are fortunate to be situated on a beautiful campus in a stunning part of the world. But our buildings are humble. And as we grow and further build our programs, we need to enhance our buildings.

We have an incredibly talented and dedicated team of educators who do exceptional work with your children every day in these modest buildings. And while our goal is to build more permanent facilities like the new Ravens Nest facility, our first step is to work with what we currently have.

We are asking for your support to provide our students with enhanced educational opportunities through purchasing new classroom furniture. With your donation, we will purchase new furniture for the Early Learning Centre through to Grade 12. Furniture pricing ranges from \$150 for a student chair up to \$6000 for cabinetry. The total cost to outfit the entire school, library, and DP Lounge will be \$600,000.

Donations of \$2000 and more will be recognized on our permanent donor wall. Gifts of \$25,000 will sponsor an entire classroom refresh and will be recognized with a permanent wall plaque. Pledge payments can be made over 3 years.

Our students come to school each day with purpose – prepared to be challenged and to work hard. With your support, you are transforming our campus and enriching the educational experience not only for our current students but also for those who attend our school for decades to come. Please join us in Furnishing the Future!



Example of Classroom Layout with New Furniture





## WHY NEW FURNITURE?

We know that well-designed learning spaces have a positive impact on student's physical, mental, and social well-being. We also know that all classes have unique needs. To best support those needs and engage our students as active participants in their learning, we need diverse classroom furniture that uses our classroom space wisely and enables greater opportunities for innovative and active learning experiences.

With your support, we will purchase innovative classroom furniture designed to create learning spaces that can be easily reconfigured for different educational delivery and learning needs. We have partnered with VS America, a leader in educational furniture, who has been recognized for its ethical and environmental business practices. Their classroom furniture is environmentally friendly, ergonomic, and is built to provide superior strength and longevity.

This classroom furniture is modern, with a minimalist design that can easily be moved by both students and teachers. The furniture options allow for comfortable break-out spaces, areas for standing, and both individual and group workspaces. The furniture includes an assortment of cheerful and comfortable student chairs and desks; movable storage cabinets; stand-up desks; activity tables; movable teacher podiums and desks; teacher chairs; whiteboards; recycling centres; and soft seated areas. Additionally, we would like to refresh and outfit the DP lounge as well as the library.

Look at your learning space with 21st century eyes: Does it work for what we know about learning today, or just for what we knew about learning in the past?

Trung Le, Cannon Design



# THE IMPACT OF PHILANTHROPY AT ASPENGROVE

Like all independent schools, donations are critical to providing our students with exceptional experiences and facilities. The Ravens Nest facility, this beautiful campus, the sports court, playground, bursaries, financial aid, laptops, library books, art supplies, and much more have all been made possible at Aspengrove because of donations. Tuition and government grants are used to cover staff compensation and school operations. Philanthropy covers the rest!

New, minimalist classroom furniture will promote student-centered learning and is in line with modern teaching practices. Because of its versatility, the furniture can easily be changed for content-based teaching, adapt to future changes in educational best practices, and can be moved to a new building. The option for diverse seating and standing solutions supports the different movement needs of individual students and enhances the opportunity for different types of learners to engage.

With your donation, you are creating possibilities. Not only does your generosity impact our students now, but it is also part of a greater legacy - to provide the opportunity for future students to receive an excellent education in central Vancouver Island. Creating exceptional programs also attracts dedicated, experienced faculty enabling them to thrive in their teaching practices.

We are deeply grateful for each and every gift, no matter the amount. We ask that you consider a gift that is meaningful to you.



## **WAYS TO GIVE**



**ONE TIME GIFTS** 



GIFTS OF SECURITIES



GIFTS OF SCHOOL BONDS



**MONTHLY GIVING** 



MATCHING GIFTS



**PLEDGE** 

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#### WHAT DO OUR STUDENTS SAY?

"I love the new furniture because there are a variety of chairs and the desks feel more spacious. The chairs are comfortable too! There are more options with these desks and they look neat and tidy."

### WHAT DO OUR TEACHERS SAY?

"Giving students flexible seating choices - with other students, alone, standing, sitting at a table or on the floor - gives students more agency over their learning."

Manon van Wamel, Grade 3 Teacher





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