

THE LEARNING PARTNERSHIP
Champions of Public Education Across Canada

Annual Report

July 2010–June 2011





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Message from the chair and president

Canada has one of the best public education systems in the world and we must ensure this continues to be the case in the future. Our young people deserve and need every opportunity available to help them succeed. It is therefore crucial for all of us to collectively foster the success of students.

Your support makes possible everything we do, whether it is to ensure young people have enriched learning opportunities and are prepared for school; to celebrate outstanding individuals whose commitment to public education contributes so much to students' success; or to engage all Canadians in discussion about key issues affecting public education.

Our volunteers are also invaluable supporters and champions of our initiatives, which enables us to leverage our funds and maximize program delivery while minimizing operating costs.

In doing so, we are making an impact – each year, 400,000 students and 18,000 teachers across Canada participate in one or more of

the programs we have developed and provide in association with our education, government, business and community partners.

Executive leadership training programs offered in association with the Joseph L. Rotman School of Management and the Sobey School of Business are helping make outstanding senior education leaders even stronger ones. Enhanced skills and knowledge mean more power for these individuals to make even more positive impact on students, schools, communities and public education as a whole.

We are very proud of the accomplishments achieved in 2010-2011 through innovative programs such as *Change Your Future*, *Entrepreneurial Adventure*, *Take Our Kids to Work™* and *Welcome to Kindergarten™*.

Your support is making a difference, as you will see in the program highlights section of this year's annual report. Together, we are ensuring that students are prepared for their paths to success.

The Learning Partnership summarized financial information

(Year ending June 30, 2011)

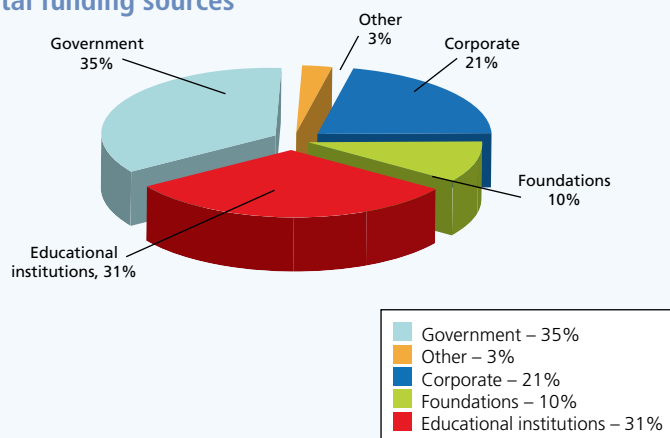
Revenue	2011	2010
Contributions	5,819,677	5,437,599
Other income	163,890	93,751
	5,983,567	5,531,350
Expenses		
Programs	3,616,986	3,559,692
Administrative, Fundraising and Information Technology	1,698,393	1,733,347
	5,315,379	5,293,039

Excess of revenue over expenses	668,188	238,311
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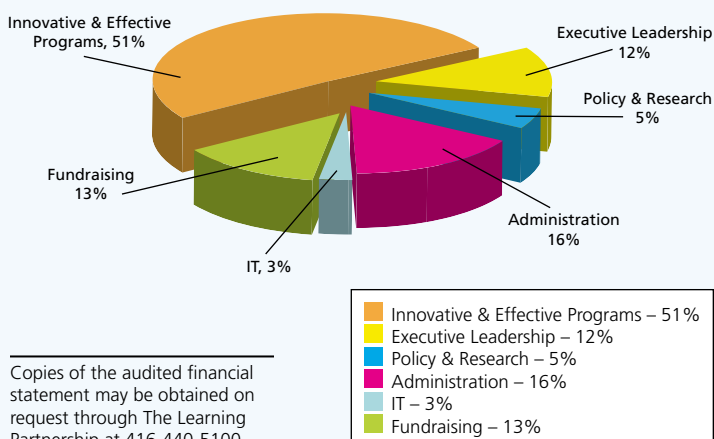


Parents and children at one of The Learning Partnership's Welcome to Kindergarten™ family orientation sessions.

Total funding sources



Total expenses



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The Learning Partnership programs

INNOVATIVE & EFFECTIVE PROGRAMS

- Change Your Future
- Entrepreneurial Adventure
- I³ – Investigate! Invent! Innovate!
- Passport to Prosperity
- Round Table on Technology
 - Information and Communication Technologies Leadership Institute
- Take Our Kids to Work™
- Turning Points
- Welcome to Kindergarten™

POLICY AND RESEARCH

- Progress report on the quality of public education in Canada:
 - *Early Years* (2010)
- *Building Capacity to Foster Resilience* sessions (2010)
- *Round Table on Labour Market Trends and Implications for the Public Education System* (2010)
- *National Dialogue on Resilience in Youth* (2008)

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

- Atlantic Provinces Executive Program for Educational Leadership and Management
- Canada's Outstanding Principals™
- National Academy of Canada's Outstanding Principals
- Ontario Directors of Education Institute on Leadership and Strategic Impact
- Ontario Supervisory Officer Executive Program on Leadership and Management

2010-2011 TRIBUTE DINNER & LUNCHEON CELEBRATIONS

- Toronto, May 10, 2011
- Vancouver, June 17, 2011



Top right: Donald A. Stewart, CEO of Sun Life Financial, during his acceptance speech as an honoree at the Champions of Public Education Toronto Tribute Dinner, May 2011.

Bottom left: Student explains his class's business venture to a visitor at the *Entrepreneurial Adventure Showcase* in Toronto, June 2011.

Bottom right: Education leaders at the *Atlantic Provinces Executive Program for Educational Leadership and Management* listen to a speaker, June 2011.



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Change Your Future



2011 *Change Your Future* student award winners.

Change Your Future is an innovative mentorship program giving students from culturally diverse backgrounds the help and opportunity they need to stay in school and positively change their direction. In 2010-2011, 600 students (grades nine to 11) from 24 schools in six school boards and districts across the Greater Toronto Area and in other areas of Ontario, participated in *Change Your Future*. In May 2011, students who achieved the most personal and academic growth were honoured at the annual *Change Your Future* awards ceremony. Seven qualifying students received *Change Your Future* scholarships through the support of the RBC Foundation in 2010-2011.

Entrepreneurial Adventure

In *Entrepreneurial Adventure*, students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 learn business and critical-thinking skills giving them a foundation for future success. The program instills both entrepreneurial spirit and a sense of social responsibility through developing ideas into real fund-raising business ventures. In the 2010-2011 school year, 3,750 students in Calgary, the Greater Toronto Area, Simcoe, Ont., Ottawa, Fredericton, Saint John and Halifax participated in creating 88 ventures raising over \$70,000 for charitable organizations. Twelve groups of students received BMO Financial Group *National Student Innovation Awards* in teamwork, enterprising spirit, impact on school or community, originality and judges' choice categories. Since 1995, more than 34,000 students have experienced *Entrepreneurial Adventure* and raised over \$2.4 million for charities.



Toronto District School Board students who were winners in the 2011 BMO Financial Group *National Student Innovation Awards*.

I³ – Investigate! Invent! Innovate!

I³ – Investigate! Invent! Innovate! is an integrated science and technology program for elementary school students in grades seven and eight. The goal of *I³* is to instill passion in all students for learning about science, mathematics and technology. This year over 8,500 students from 89 schools in 12 boards joined in on the fun. Each spring, *Invention Convention* is held to showcase the students' projects to the public. In 2010, *Invention Convention* showcases were held in St. John's, Calgary, Edmonton and Toronto.



A student explains her invention to Toronto Councillor Gary Crawford (Ward 36) at The Learning Partnership's *Invention Convention* in Toronto.

Passport to Prosperity

Passport to Prosperity is a program delivered by The Learning Partnership on behalf of the Ontario Ministry of Education. This province-wide initiative is designed to increase employer involvement in school-to-work programs for secondary school students. It provides a range of experiential learning opportunities including work experience, career talks, workplace tours, job shadowing, apprenticeships and co-operative education placements. In the Greater Toronto Area (GTA), The Learning Partnership delivers *Passport to Prosperity*. The Learning Partnership's team works with 10 school boards across the GTA. The program connects teachers with employers wanting to provide learning opportunities through EmployerRegistry.ca. In 2010-2011, more than 1,800 employers (including francophone businesses) and 750 educators were registered on EmployerRegistry.ca.

Round Table on Technology

The *Round Table on Technology* is a dynamic community of partners from both the public and private sectors who have a common vision of how Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) can enhance public education in Canada. The *Round Table* meets four times a year.

In 2010-2011, the *Round Table on Technology* looked at how technology could be taught differently so that it is more appealing to girls; ways chief information officers can enhance the ICT strategic vision for their organizations; women in technology careers on the 100th anniversary of International Women's Day; and how social media can be used in today's classrooms.

Take our Kids to Work

The Learning Partnership's flagship program, *Take Our Kids to Work™*, connects employers, parents and students from coast, to coast, to coast. Annually, more than 200,000 grade nines and over 75,000 employers participate in *Take Our Kids to Work* day the first Wednesday in November.

Take Our Kids to Work is designed to help ensure young people make the best choices for success. Grade 9 students get a practical taste of the workplace that's safe, interesting, engaging and educational. Hosted by a parent, relative or family friend, students spend an

experiential learning day in the workplace.

An extension of the program is the *Ultimate Dream Job Contest*, a national online photo contest run prior to *Take Our Kids to Work* day. The contest encourages Grade 9 students to submit a photo depicting their dream job along with a short description, for a chance to win weekly prizes and a grand-prize trip to Ottawa on *Take Our Kids to Work* day. The 2010 *Ultimate Dream Job Contest* ran from Aug. 16 to Oct. 25, 2010. The grand-prize winner was Melanie from Nova Scotia, who met Prime Minister Stephen Harper and the Speaker of the House of Commons, the Honourable Peter Milliken. She also toured Parliament Hill, the Royal Canadian Mint and the Canadian Museum of Civilization.



Melanie, the 2010 *Ultimate Dream Job Contest* winner, met Prime Minister Stephen Harper in Ottawa on *Take Our Kids to Work* day in November 2010.

Turning Points

Turning Points is a character development and literacy program that helps students in grades six to 12 gain new self-insight while developing their literacy skills. The program, offered in both official languages, is provided in association with school boards in St. John's, the Greater Toronto Area, Brantford, Ont., Sudbury and Calgary. Students must write an essay about a critical point in their lives. In 2011, The Learning Partnership received over 11,500 submissions. A total of 428 judges selected 115 award-winning essays in English, French and aboriginal categories that were published in the 12th annual *Turning Points* anthology. Award winners were recognized at events in the spring of 2011.



2011 *Turning Points* student award winner.

Welcome to Kindergarten

Welcome to Kindergarten™ is an early learning initiative. In The Learning Partnership's *Welcome to Kindergarten/Bienvenue à la maternelle* program, families are given resources and experiences to prepare their children for school success and lifelong learning, prior to starting school.

The program touches families in British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. In 2010-2011, the number of families reached is 93,500 with 2,550 schools participating – almost 78 times the number of families, and 85 times the number of schools, reached when the program started in 2004.

Policy and Research

Through the efforts of the Policy and Research department, The Learning Partnership reaches out and engages Canadians in dialogue

on important issues facing public education across Canada. In 2010, The Learning Partnership shared a presentation entitled *Building Capacity to Foster Resilience* during six regional sessions held with senior Ontario education leaders and members of the Council of Ontario Directors of Education. *Building Capacity to Foster Resilience* explored asset-based approaches and shared promising practices that foster strength and resilience. In the fall of 2010, The Learning Partnership also published its sixth *The Quality of Public Education in Canada* report, on early learning. The report is available on our website.

The Policy and Research department also focuses on program evaluation, which is designed to improve the effectiveness and delivery of programs. The department is continuing the implementation of annual evaluations including its three-year national evaluation of *Welcome to Kindergarten* that began in July 2009 with funding from the Max Bell Foundation.

Executive Leadership

Fostering world-class leadership in education is one of The Learning Partnership's four pillars. We have a full slate of professional development courses for senior education leaders offered through associations with the Joseph L. Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto, and the Sobey School of Business at Saint Mary's University in Halifax.

In 2010-2011, The Learning Partnership offered a variety of programs including Series 2-4 of the **Ontario Supervisory Officer Executive Program on Leadership and Management**, and Series 3 of the **Ontario Directors of Education Institute on Leadership and Strategic Impact**. We also held the first **Atlantic Provinces Executive Program for Educational Leadership and Management** for senior education leaders from throughout Atlantic Canada.

In February 2011, through The Learning Partnership's **Canada's Outstanding Principals™** program, we honoured 32 principals for the positive impact they are making on their students, schools and communities. The principals were honoured with a gala dinner, and week-long executive leadership course at the Joseph L. Rotman School of Management. The Honorary Aboriginal Award recipient was Joanne Alex for her commitment to students at We'koqma'q Mi'kmaw School in Waycobah, N.S., by ensuring the school has a culturally relevant curriculum, and social programs to help aboriginal students in need.



Canada's Outstanding Principals of 2011.

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Danielle Thomas, a *Change Your Future* program graduate and *Change Your Future* scholarship recipient.



Excited young students participating in The Learning Partnership's *Entrepreneurial Adventure* program.

LEADERS IN LEARNING

Launched in the fall of 2005, Leaders in Learning is an annual giving program reaching out to organizations and individuals who support the work of The Learning Partnership and who want our programs to reach as many educators, families and children as possible across Canada.

Partners in Learning \$10,000+

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CIBC
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Durham District School Board
Eastern School District, St. John's
Halton Catholic District School Board
Halton District School Board
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RBC Foundation
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Scotiabank Group
Simcoe County District School Board
TD Bank Financial Group

The Catholic Principals' Council of Ontario
The Future Focus Foundation
Toronto Catholic District School Board
Toronto District School Board
York Catholic District School Board
York Region District School Board

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Toronto Catholic District School Board
Toronto District School Board
York Catholic District School Board

Entrepreneurial Adventure

BMO Financial Group
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Stock Transportation – Toronto
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I³ – Investigate! Invent! Innovate!

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada
TELUS Calgary Community Board
TELUS Edmonton Community Board
Imperial Oil Foundation
Telus Atlantic Canada Community Board

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First Student Canada – Calgary and Area
Calgary Board of Education
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Stock Transportation - Toronto
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Thames Valley District School Board
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Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board
Toronto Catholic District School Board
Toronto District School Board
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2010-2011 TRIBUTE EVENTS



2011 Toronto Tribute Dinner – The Learning Partnership held its most successful to date Tribute dinner on Tuesday, May 10, 2011, with over 1,300 invited business, education, government and community leaders attending the dinner to celebrate the efforts and commitment of four champions of public education being inducted into The Learning Partnership's *Champions of Public Education Hall of Fame*: Darren Entwistle, the president and CEO of TELUS; Dr. Jane Gaskell, the former dean of the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education; her brother, J. Robert S. Prichard, O.C., Ont., the chair of Torys LLP and president emeritus of the University of Toronto; and Donald A. Stewart, the CEO of Sun Life Financial.

◀ **From left to right**, 2011 Toronto Tribute honourees Dr. Jane Gaskell, Darren Entwistle, J. Robert S. Prichard and Donald A. Stewart with Veronica Lacey, the president & CEO of The Learning Partnership, and Courtney Pratt, vice-chair of The Learning Partnership's Board of Directors.

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2011 Vancouver Tribute Luncheon – On Friday, June 17, 2011, more than 300 of British Columbia's business, education, government and community leaders joined The Learning Partnership in celebrating one of the province's best-known business leaders for his commitment to education over the decades. Joseph Segal, C.M.,

O.B.C., C.B.H.F., O.ST.J., LL.D. (Hon.), who built the Zellers Canadian retail empire, was the sixth British Columbian inducted into The Learning Partnership's *Champions of Public Education Hall of Fame*. The keynote speaker was another notable Canadian, astronaut Dr. Robert Thirsk.



▲ **From left to right**, Mike McKay, superintendent of school district 36 (Surrey); Steve Cardwell, superintendent and CEO of school district 39 (Vancouver); honouree Joseph Segal; Veronica Lacey, president & CEO of The Learning Partnership; and Lorne Segal, president of Kingswood Capital Corporation.



▲ **From left to right**, Veronica Lacey, the president & CEO of The Learning Partnership; honouree Joseph Segal; the Vancouver Tribute Luncheon keynote speaker, Canadian astronaut Dr. Robert Thirsk; and Catherine Van Alstine, chair of the Vancouver Tribute Luncheon Committee.

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