

FROM ME TO YOU FEBRUARY 2022

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Sunil Mattu's Newsletter

IT'S EASTER: A TIME FOR REFLECTION!

Easter reflection leads me to reach out to all Third Schools families at this time. Yes, hope springs eternal... and yes, I am excited as we look forward beyond what has been a super year on many fronts as Third Schools moves into 2022-2023. To remind ourselves of our successes:

- LYNX ECS established in Calgary for September 2020
- LYNX Cochrane & Calgary grades 1-9 launched
- **ursa** Shared and **ursa** Distance enrollments double for 2021-2022, year on year

- **ursa** Parent Directed enrollments stable, year on year
- We welcomed many new students, new families, and new staff into our community
- Third Academy West fully embraces its Glenbrook SW home for the long haul
- Third Academy East sees its new home in the northeast take shape on the horizon
- all this and more as we wrestle ourselves from the grip of a global shutdown

These accomplishments, as always, reflect a community effort. I want to thank

every student, parent, staff member, Board member, and Friend of Third Schools for your tireless efforts. We do this all for two reasons: we believe in our students and we know that as long as we stick together as a family that we can work it out.



Sunil Mattu, Head of Schools



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Congratulations to Joe Smith, Principal LYNX, on receiving Alberta Education approval to expand LYNX to two sites in Calgary, West and East, each offering ECS-Grade 1-9
- Joe and I have agreed that there will also be an opportunity for LYNX Calgary students to attend classes 'onsite' in the mornings rather than being distance online at home
- Congratulations to Tracy Gilluley, Principal **ursa**, and her Associate Principal, Thera MacKinnon, opening the doors to deliver international distance education to the Spanish speaking new world to the South of us
- Congratulations to Christos Kazyas, Principal Third Academy East, as he plans to move junior/senior high from our Calgary Farmer's Market school site to the new Third East site in the last week of July 2022- first week of August 2022
- Congratulations to Rehana Mattu, Principal Third West, as she moves to build a new elementary staff for the new Third East site

Finally, I would like to officially announce the launch of our East School Campaign. To date, \$3 million has been raised. ViTreo, our fundraising consultants, are focused on helping Third Schools raise the balance needed to purchase this school: \$2.6 million. A campaign strategy is in place. Philanthropists and Philanthropic Foundations have been contacted. We have launched a fundraising website at <https://eastschoolcampaign.ca>.

We are all invested in the success of this campaign. We all know someone— a family member, a friend, a community member, a service club, an employer— who would support this very worthwhile project. If you have not done so already, I ask you - parents, staff members, Board Members, and Friends of Third Schools - to reach out to me now so that we may leverage our community networks in reaching our fundraising goal.

Contact me by email at smattu@thirdschools.ca or cell 403-690-1408.

REGISTER NOW

Applications for 2022-2023 are being processed now.

If you need more information, please send a note in to info@thirdschools.ca

If you need help to complete your application, please send a note in to info@thirdschools.ca

We will begin to fill all empty seats with first time applicants in May.



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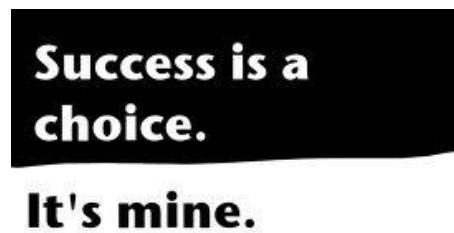
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- Fully accredited by Alberta Education since 1997
- Third Academy: 2 Calgary schools serving special needs students in Grades 1 through 12
- Parent directed home education through **ursa** Parent Directed
- Shared responsibility home education through **ursa** Shared
- Fully teacher directed distance education through **ursa** Distance
- LYNX 'Nature inspired' programming, ECS-Gr9, Calgary & Cochrane
- A non-profit, charitable organization
- Doing whatever it takes to help your child succeed

We believe that how a person thinks, affects how they feel, and hence how they act.

"Third Schools gives hope... hope for kids, families, and our collective futures."
Dr. S. Lal. Mattu, Third Academy Ambassador-at-Large



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Be sure to visit our websites. We now have four!

<https://thirdacademy.ca>

<https://goursa.education>

<https://lynx.education>

<https://lynxecs.education>

We encourage you to "spread the word" about how we are helping students succeed by posting links to our websites on your social media channels.

