



MENNONITE BRETHERN COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE



MBCI AT A GLANCE: 2019 - 2020

Staff: **57**
Students: **417**
International Students: **17**
Students with membership
in MB Churches: **22%**
Students with Church affiliation: **79%**

As a team of teachers and staff at MBCI we look to our students as the evidence of our vision at work. It is our privilege to celebrate their learning and growth. At the same time, we also focus on continuous improvement, and how best to serve our students and families.

Looking forward - keeping as our central point of reference our vision for providing Christ-centered education that equips students to learn, love and engage with the world - we have three areas of focus.

A focus on developing student character, faith, and culture is vital for MBCI to equip students both for their time in our hallways and for life after high school. We are committed to supporting teachers and students in embodying and nurturing a Christ-centered spirit on campus, and in practicing the habits and characteristics of a Christ-centered community.

Providing effective and rigorous education for students requires a focus on staff development and support. We continue to move in the direction of collaboration and coaching for teachers, providing support and practical tools for digging deeper into course content, taking risks, and leading students in meaningful learning.

A third area of focus is on developing our facilities as 21st century learning spaces. We want our campus to be bold, creative and flexible; able to motivate learners and support collaboration and innovation.

We are grateful that God has entrusted us with this work, and particularly grateful for the opportunity to celebrate MBCI's 75th anniversary in the fall of 2020. While much has changed since 1945, we continue to build on the solid footing we find in our founding verse: *'For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.'* 1 Corinthians 3:11.

Andrea Neufeld,
Principal

Life Well Learned.

LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2019 - 2020

- In November, our grade 9 students hosted a Canadian Citizenship Ceremony in Jubilee Place, offering a warm welcome to newcomers. Students took care of many of the details preparing for the ceremony, with band students playing the national anthem and nutrition students preparing snacks for a reception.
- Grade 11 Art and Woodworking students designed, built, and installed a new nativity scene at Donwood Manor. The beautiful silhouette scene features a stable framed by a roof in the shape of a cross, representing the broader meaning of Christ's birth, death, and resurrection.
- Students are planning and leading chapels as part of their Biblical Studies classes, providing all students with the opportunity to shape the character of our corporate worship, to offer both public and behind-the-scenes gifts of leadership, as well as a tangible way to serve our school community.

