



Our 10 promises to those who leave a legacy gift to the McDowell Foundation in their will

We know this is a big decision to make, and we want you to feel comfortable about considering your gift. These are our commitments to you.

- ▶ We will always respect your privacy. We recognize and appreciate that your will is completely personal to you.
- ▶ We also realize that your family and loved ones will always come first.
- ▶ Since we are committed to making a difference that will benefit Saskatchewan students, we always encourage people to leave a gift to the Foundation. We recognize that it's your decision, and you need to make it in your own time.
- ▶ You can tell us that you left a gift if you wish. We would love to hear from you, but we don't need to be informed, and we won't keep asking you.
- ▶ If you do choose to tell us, you can choose how we communicate in the future about our work at the McDowell Foundation.

- ▶ We will give you and your family as much choice as we can about how and where your gift will be used to benefit students.
- ▶ We will use your gift carefully and cost-effectively so it has the greatest impact for Saskatchewan students.
- ▶ We will give you the opportunity to be connected with the work we do that is made possible by gifts like yours.
- ▶ At any time in the future, you have the absolute right to change your mind about a gift in your will to the McDowell Foundation.
- ▶ We will handle whatever gift you leave us efficiently and with care, sensitivity, and respect.

The McDowell Foundation encourages you to have open conversations with your family about your decision and to always seek the advice of a financial advisor and lawyer.

Become a founding member of McDowell Foundation's Legacy Society

Our McDowell Foundation Legacy For Learning Society honours teachers and a group of supporters who strengthen the next generations of teachers by providing future support to ensure research is teacher-centred and relevant to successful instruction in today's classrooms. It is open to all. There is no minimum level of giving; no obligations of any kind. It is our way of thanking you now for your support.

Those arranging for a legacy gift are eligible for recognition as a founding member in our McDowell Foundation Legacy For Learning Society. To find out more about how to become a member or for more information, go to mcdowellfoundation.ca.

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LEAD AND LEARN YOUR LEGACY

Let supporting learning discoveries and teaching innovation be your legacy to Saskatchewan students.



“Teachers have the best and the most practical solutions to help students improve their lives.”

Dr. Stirling McDowell, 2002

Saskatchewan children and youth need and deserve all the inspiration and support that great schools and the very best teachers can give them.

As professionals, teachers do research every day in their classroom that helps to better serve these students and keep pace with the change around us. The McDowell Foundation helps fund these efforts with the goal of sharing learning discoveries and teaching innovations with colleagues and others in the education system and beyond.

Ways To Leave a Legacy Gift

Gift in will

By far the simplest way to leave a gift is to include the Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research Into Teaching Inc. as a beneficiary of your will. A gift in your will ensures your legacy lives on, and by doing this, you can also significantly reduce tax payable by your estate. We can provide sample will clauses for your convenience.

Gift of shares or mutual funds

Transferring securities from your brokerage account to Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research Into Teaching Inc. eliminates your capital gains tax. This generates greater tax savings than if you sold the securities and then donated the cash proceeds.

Gift of life insurance

Consider transferring ownership of an existing life insurance policy that is no longer required for your family's financial security to the McDowell Foundation. You will benefit from receiving a charitable tax receipt for the value of the policy. If you wish to remain the owner of the policy, your estate may receive a charitable tax receipt by naming the McDowell Foundation the beneficiary of the policy. You can do this by:

Naming Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research Into Teaching Inc. (our legal name) as beneficiary of a policy.

Donating an existing life insurance policy by designating Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research Into Teaching Inc. (our legal name) as the owner and beneficiary of an existing policy that you no longer need.

Donating a new policy purchased with Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research Into Teaching Inc. (our legal name) as the owner and beneficiary.

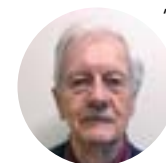
Gift of a RRSP, RRIF, TFSA

You can name the McDowell Foundation as the beneficiary of your RRSP, RRIF, or TFSA. Your estate is entitled to a charitable donation receipt when you name Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research Into Teaching Inc. (our legal name) as the direct beneficiary of a RRSP, RRIF, or TFSA.

Setting up such a donation is as simple as asking your financial advisor or financial institution to change the beneficiary to Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research Into Teaching Inc. (our legal name).

Harold Schultz

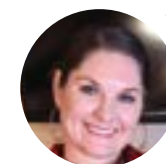
Retired teacher, visionary, life-long learner



“Looking to the future, the need for a research arm of the STF has never been more important. The profession has to stay fleet of foot to stay in the forefront. Looking at global trends in education, how does teaching stay in tune with social change? Teachers today are the first responders in recognizing social conditions. I believe the McDowell Foundation does very profound research in assisting teachers in their day-to-day interaction with students. I feel the Learning From Practice conference is the best form of professional development you could have. That’s why I am leaving a gift to the Foundation.”

Diana Jemieff Hayes

Principal, Delisle Elementary School



“Receiving a grant from the McDowell Foundation for our collaborative ELL (English Language Learners) project helped us learn how to teach students coming from language backgrounds other than English, and it allowed me, bar none, the best professional development in my entire career thus far. Our learning allowed us to develop intervention plans that greatly improved reading scores and provided time to reflect on and assess each student, so we could meet their individual needs. I am very passionate about the Foundation and the important work it does.”

Our Mission

Enriching teaching and learning by supporting professionally led research.

History and Purpose

The Dr. Stirling McDowell Foundation for Research Into Teaching is an independent registered charitable organization established by the Saskatchewan Teachers’ Federation in 1991. We are named in honour of Dr. Stirling McDowell whose visionary work, internationally recognized research, and ability to inspire co-operation and creativity in education was only exceeded by his unwavering pride and passion for student learning and the teaching profession.

Our projects and activities are student-centred and relevant to successful instruction in today’s classrooms.

With almost 300 teacher-led research projects funded and a total of over \$1.6 million in grants awarded, the results of our endeavours have had significant influence on students, teachers, and communities all across Saskatchewan. We continue to be honoured every year to support passionate and engaged teachers in exploring innovative ways to best meet the educational needs of students.