

**Mother
Teresa** 
Middle School
A Jesuit Academy



BLUES BELIEVERS
STUDENT SUPPORT PACKAGE

2020-2021 Academic Year

WHO ARE THE BLUES?

Mother Teresa Middle School (MTMS) Blues are highly-motivated, economically disadvantaged children who live in inner city Regina, Saskatchewan. Many students at MTMS have faced unthinkable trauma and their potential has been compromised by social and economic factors affecting them and their families. MTMS focuses on the students' strengths and operates using a Response to Intervention (RTI) model that works to cultivate students' hope, engagement and well-being. MTMS curriculum is enriched through extended school time, small class and school size, transitional supports and an innovative middle years program. This transformative model continually strives to engage students' intellectual curiosity, celebrate their culture and equip students to use their academic learning as a foothold for social and economic development. With your support, the Blues will become the next generation of leaders, employees and community-minded citizens.



MTMS AT A GLANCE

► Mission

MTMS aims to break the cycle of poverty by providing an enhanced holistic Saskatchewan Ministry approved, faith-based middle school education to highly motivated, economically disadvantaged students from inner city Regina.

► Vision

To graduate young men and women of character with intellect sufficient enough to ensure that they will become post-secondary graduates, and more importantly, they become role models and leaders in their communities.

► Philosophy

MTMS is built on the Jesuit idea of *cura personalis*, which means care for the whole person. This includes tending to students' intellectual, social, physical, spiritual and emotional needs.

INVESTING IN THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW

MTMS strongly believes that education is key to breaking the cycle of poverty and creating a better future for students. The nominal fee paid by families (\$50 monthly) and government support cover only 25% of what it costs to educate a middle school student annually. MTMS relies on the philanthropic support of many individuals, foundations and our community to meet our cost to educate and change the narrative for the MTMS Blues.

The three years at MTMS (from Grade 6 to Grade 8) sets the foundation; instilling a positive school experience and work and life habits, while providing the necessary supports to ensure students' overall well-being and success. MTMS programming provides an innovative and holistic approach to education. This progressive model involves tending to students' intellectual, social, physical, spiritual and emotional needs by providing extra supports, while removing barriers that hamper their success.

Your investment will help to provide the following supports to a student annually:

- School clothing and outerwear
- Transportation to and from school daily
- Two meals and two snacks daily
- Eye exams/glasses
- Dental care
- Auditory care
- Professional counseling
- Student laptops and technology
- Cultural programming
- Band fees and equipment rental
- Family Support
- 40+ after-school enrichment opportunities
- Sports and healthy lifestyle programming
- Mentorship program
- 3-weeks of Summer Leadership programming

► Becoming a *Blues Believer* is a powerful investment that provides the supports needed to foster a brighter future for MTMS students, drive social change and build stronger communities.

BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES

As a **Blues Believer**, your support sets the foundation for a long and fulfilling educational journey and opens a door to lifelong opportunity that has otherwise been out of reach for MTMS students and their families. **Blues Believers** can commit to supporting the cost of students' education for the first three years of their MTMS career (Grade 6, 7 and 8).

Blues Believer Annual Student Support Levels:

- Full-year Support - \$18,000
- Half-year Support - \$9,000

Believers may be anonymous or may have the opportunity to meet and get to know some of the Blues being supported. It is up to you. One of the most rewarding aspects of your investment is seeing firsthand how your generosity can positively affect students' lives. We will support this process by:

- Inviting you to engage and journey with our students through outings, lunch meetings, after-school programming, extra-curricular activities and other opportunities;
- Including your name and/or company logo on digital Donor Recognition Board located at the school; and
- Giving recognition in the MTMS Annual Report and other school related documents such as the monthly communication pieces and social media platforms.

We look forward to working with you to acknowledge your gift in a way that is meaningful to you!

In creating a support agreement, we will work with you to recognize your contribution how you best see fit. Whether your company is trying to increase its corporate social responsibility, you are trying to reach a new audience, or you want to provide opportunities to deserving students - Investing as a **Blues Believer** is the answer!

► Prefer to fulfill your **Blues Believers** pledge through monthly payments?

We can do that!

(Mark your preference below)

- One-time payment (annual)
- Full-year = \$1,500 monthly
- Half-year = \$750 monthly

BECOME A BELIEVER TODAY!

- All gifts are receiptable for Canadian tax purposes under the Charitable Registration BN 8211 93604 RR 001.

Cheques can be made payable to:

Mother Teresa Middle School

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To set up credit card payments - call or email:

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FOSTERING HOPE. UNLOCKING POTENTIAL. BREAKING THE CYCLE OF POVERTY.

“*Mother Teresa Middle School is different compared to other schools. MTMS gave me many opportunities and helped me to find stability. It shaped me to be the student and individual I am today. I graduated from a great high school, made the Honour Roll, played on the basketball team and I stay involved. Next year, I will be attending the University of Regina to pursue social work education. I now see myself having a future and without MTMS, I truly believe this would not be the case. I would like to believe that my mom and dad would be proud of me today for becoming the young woman I am as a result of the support I received from MTMS.*

MTMS Alumni, Grade 12 graduate

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