



PHASE VI
THE ATHLETICS AND WELLNESS CENTRE



WELCOME TO THE HOME OF THE GRYPHONS!

This year, we celebrated the much anticipated opening of the Athletics and Wellness Centre. The impact of adding such a special and important building to our campus was truly remarkable to our students, teachers and staff.

The Athletics and Wellness Centre, conceived and generously supported by the parents of our community and designed by Micklejohn Architects, is positioned to be the central gathering place of Aberdeen Hall's athletics programming and special events. What began as a tiny independent school of 70 students has bloomed, twenty years in the making, into a preparatory powerhouse of over 700 students and over 100 staff and faculty. As such, it's been many years since we were able to assemble as an entire school and so we were thrilled to welcome our community into this highly anticipated space in April 2024!

Thank you so much for being part of the Aberdeen Hall community and for enriching the education of each and every student here. Your generosity is something to celebrate!

With gratitude,

Kylee Wilson

Development and Community
Relations Officer

Jennifer Galli

Director of Development
and Community Relations

*Photo caption right: Our first whole school assembly
with all 800 students and employees in April 2024*



more than
IT'S A GYM...

For John Gareau, Athletic Director, the AWC is more than a new gym; it's the actualization of a dream 16 years in the making. John began his career at Aberdeen Hall in 2008 when there was no dome and no sports field. In those early years, John would walk the entire school down to UBCO to use their facilities, and began to dream about what a brick and mortar gym would mean to the students and community. As our beautiful campus began to take shape and more buildings were added, his excitement about bringing to life a venue for training, tournaments, and whole school gatherings also grew. In 2024, the Athletics and Wellness Centre opened, the culmination of careful planning, the generosity of our donor community and of course, the wild hopes and dreams of our students, families, faculty, staff and board.

In John's words,

"Every school has a beating heart of activities, performances and school spirit - this is what the new gym represents. Whether it's a buzzer beater shot or playing your first musical solo in front of a packed gymnasium you can feel the energy vibrating through the room. The new Athletics and Wellness Centre will help foster years of memories for the Aberdeen community and bring together the past, present and future of Aberdeen Hall Preparatory School."



ATHLETICS AND WELLNESS CENTRE *A Journey*

PRECONSTRUCTION

The future site of the Athletics and Wellness Centre.



Photo credit Grant Robinson Photography, 2022)

JUNE 2022

Site Supervisor Carl Wright (Team Construction) Lisa White (Aberdeen Hall Director of Finance and Human Resources), Gord Wilson (retired former owner, Team Construction), Stephen Graham, (project coordinator, Team Construction), Lindsey Grieve (Director of Operations), and Christina Ullyot (Director of Admissions) on the very first day of construction in June 2022.



JULY 2022

Team Construction's site trailer and the first excavators appear onsite.



OCTOBER 2022

Pouring concrete.



APRIL 2024

The Athletics and Wellness Centre completes our 20-year Master Campus Plan.



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APRIL 2024

Our students are so excited to be in this new space.



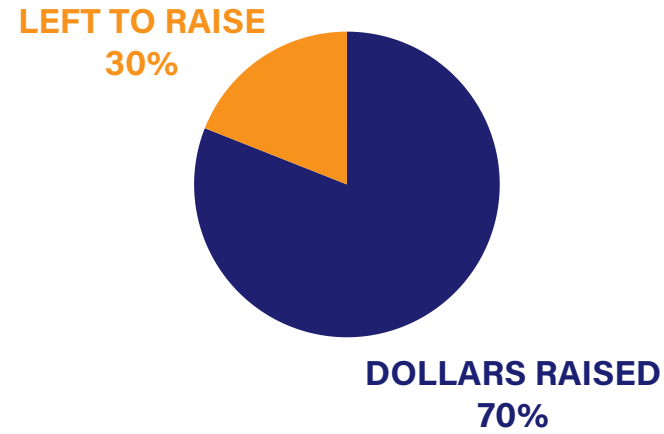
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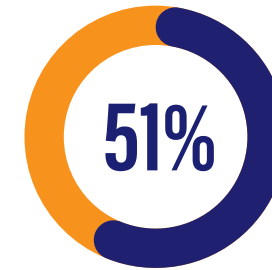
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STAFF PARTICIPATION



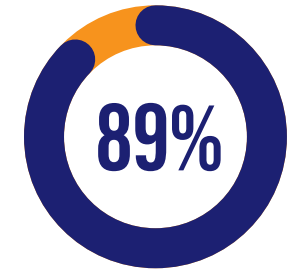
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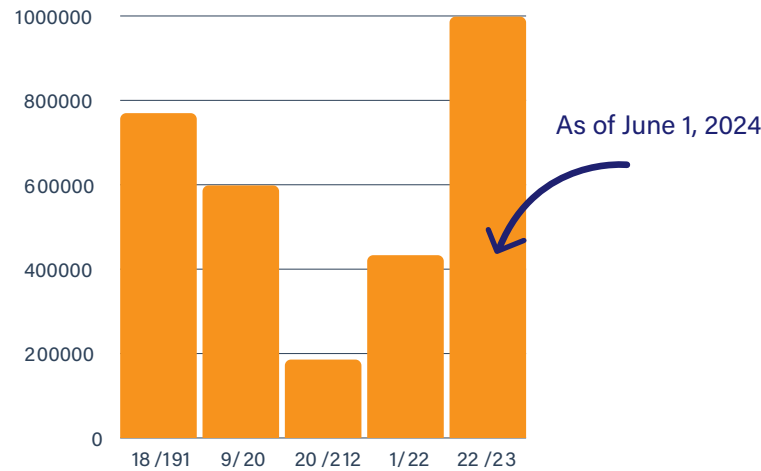
CURRENT SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM PARTICIPATION



CURRENT BOARD PARTICIPATION



DOLLARS RAISED BY YEAR
(including gala proceeds)



312 NUMBER OF DONORS

868 NUMBER OF GIFTS

FAMILY PARTICIPATION



WE ARE ALL GRYPHONS

We wish to showcase the special support shown to the Athletics and Wellness Centre. This publication is our opportunity to celebrate the generosity of our donors and the impact of philanthropy in the Aberdeen Hall community.

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NAMED OPPORTUNITIES STILL AVAILABLE

Philanthropy touches every part of our students' lives at school. Each year, we invite our community members to make a donation. Your gifts make a powerful impact on our school and allow us to offer our students unparalleled opportunities. Because of your generosity, we have built amazing facilities and filled those facilities with teachers, resources, and technology of the highest quality.

We welcome and value your support and gifts at every level are deeply appreciated. We are happy to highlight a few areas of our gym where you may wish to designate your gift.

Athletics and Wellness Centre	\$2,000,000
Gymnasium	Claimed
Entrance and Mezzanine	\$500,000.00
Athletic Director's Suite	\$150,000.00
Uniform Shop	\$100,000.00
Weight Room	Claimed
Scoreboard	Claimed
STEM Lab	Claimed
Wall of Champions (Trophy Wall)	\$50,000

NOW THAT OUR BUILDING IS COMPLETE, HELP US TO CREATE AN UNPARALLELED SPACE BY SUPPORTING OUR GIVING TREE:



TEAM BENCHES - \$800

Help us to buy 4 team benches to host games and tournaments at the school.



PROFESSIONAL VINYL CUTTER - \$3000

GCC Puma IV LX 24" Vinyl cutter plotter optical eye



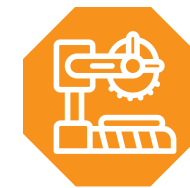
VOLLEYBALL STANDARDS - \$5000

Volleyball nets for our Volleyball team practices, games and tournaments



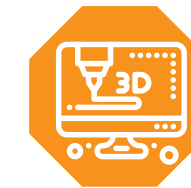
TROPHY DISPLAY - \$4000

Provide a Trophy Display case that will showcase our student athletic accomplishments



INVENTABLE KID-SAFE CUTTING POWER TOOL - \$350

Super safe and super fun. These will be a huge hit, even with the older students.



BAMBU LABS LARGE 3D PRINTER - \$1400

The Bambu Labs P1S with AMS is the ultimate student-friendly printer. Students can pick their colour & focus on their design.



VISIT OUR GIVING TREE FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP US GET TO OUR GOAL!

SPECIAL RECOGNITION *The Ainsworth Fitness Studio*

It is a very special honour to recognize the support of the Ainsworth family and celebrate the opening of the Ainsworth Fitness Studio within the Athletics and Wellness Centre. Thank you Garrett, Chantel, Tessa (Grade 1) and Cassidy (Preschool) for your gift to Aberdeen Hall. We are all looking forward to enjoying endless opportunities to pursue health and wellness in this new space.





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