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REPORT TO THE PICKERING COLLEGE COMMUNITY 2017-2018



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Once again, the people of Pickering have continued the tradition of philanthropic support for PC. More than \$1.6 million was donated last year by our generous community through annual fund gifts in support of programs, facilities and financial aid; through building our endowments; and through leadership support for *Light The Way* capital campaign for our Campus Master Plan. This support has helped fund those things that go to making Pickering the special place it has always been.

Our teams of dedicated volunteers have held spectacular events, including another grand Gala, our highly-regarded Holiday Home Tour, a fun-filled day of Golf, a heartwarming Grandparent and Special Friend Day, and our popular Coffee Socials. Alumni have come back to support these events and to get involved with the school as mentors and leaders for the Global Leadership Program.

This warm and welcoming community is a reflection of PC values, caring and commitment. The continued support from all corners of the PC community—families, alumni, staff and friends—is what helps make the difference. Alumni who graduated in earlier eras still see the same Pickering values in today's graduates as we prepare our students for their place in this rapidly-changing world. That is what keeps all of our families—past and present—connected and supportive.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the success of Pickering College during this past school year and who join us in looking forward to the next exciting stage in our school's history with our Campus Master Plan. We deeply and truly appreciate your involvement, your generosity and your commitment.

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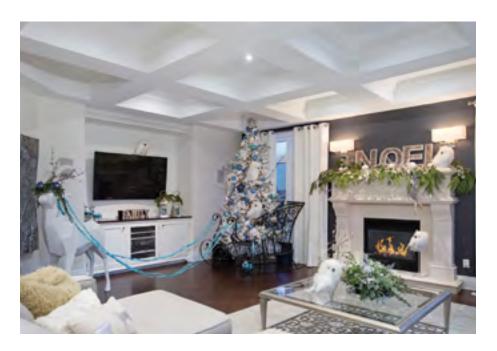
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Signature events enhance the student experience by raising funds, which support capital projects, academic programs, and innovative technology. Signature events such as the gala, the annual golf tournament and the Holiday Home Tour & Seasonal Boutique also serve to bring parents together to get to know one another encouraging a cohesive community highlighted by mutual respect, and appreciation for our diverse community.











## 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Pickering College Holiday Home Tour and Seasonal Boutique NOVEMBER 17 & 18, 2017

Feedback on the 2017 event was very positive; guests enjoyed the variety of homes, the decor, the music, and the warm welcome they received from our volunteers. Thank you to participants and to our generous sponsors for their support of this tour. A special thank you to our title sponsor, Buckley's Insurance Brokers Ltd. The tour raised \$70,000, with proceeds benefitting both Pickering College and Doane House Hospice.

As an added feature to the 2017 tour, guests were treated to a festive concert series at the historic Sharon Temple with performances by our own Pickering College Senior Choir, as well as our Jazz and Strings ensembles. The Saturday series highlighted the tremendous musical talents of alumni Kat Harper '07, Garrett FitzGerald '17, as well as the North York Concert Band and the Salvation Army Kettle Band. Friday at the temple was "magical" said one vocal student.

The Pickering College Seasonal Boutique & Café welcomed over 800 guests who kicked off their holiday shopping from 44 vendors. A delicious menu was offered to shoppers and tour guests in the Seasonal Boutique Café. The 2017 Boutique opened the "Designers' Hall" where guests were invited to shop from Holiday Home Tour designers while listening to the tranquil acoustic sounds of alum David Howard '88.

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### Cirque de Rêves – Dare to Dream! Gala April 28, 2018

The Cirque de Rêves – Dare to Dream! Gala, with lead sponsor ADM Design, celebrated our shared vision for the Centre for Creativity and Innovation, which will provide learning spaces to inspire generations of global leaders. This much anticipated Pickering College event took place on our own beautiful campus, with friends coming together to celebrate and enjoy an enchanting evening.

Egan House was utterly transformed by our committee under the direction of the immensely talented Mr. Stephen Widdrington '83. Décor features were spectacular, replete with cirque designs, vivid colour through lighting by Fortis Consulting, centre ring models, a mime, magician, stilt walker and our own Jamie MacDougall '18 juggling. Centre ring entertainment included aerial silks, a gala ensemble performance of "A Million Dreams" and a pixel poi to open the Delirium Dance Club.

Cirque guests enjoyed theme-inspired pink elephant martinis, champagne and delectable hors d'oeuvres in the Busker Reception before being led by gala parade to the main event in Egan House. Aramark Food Service wowed with a "gastronomies" dinner menu, and scrumptious late night snacks of mini carnitas, one-bite icy treats, mini root beer floats and ice-encrusted elixirs. Guests danced to the beats of Rhythm Force while bidding on unique auction items through the Givergy electronic auction.

We are thrilled with the feedback received from our guests, specifically the warm welcome and feeling of community that our guests enjoyed. We were so pleased to welcome alumni parents, current parents, alumni, friends of PC, sponsors and special guests to celebrate Pickering College.

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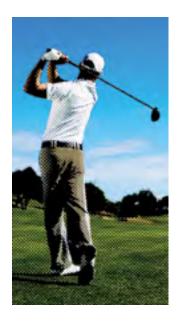
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## The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Pickering College Golf Tournament June 21, 2018

The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Pickering College Golf Tournament was a resounding success thanks to the support of our many participants. Golfers enjoyed a spectacular day on the course under sunny skies, with a slight breeze to keep the heat at bay. Thanks to the generosity of our community, the 2018 golf tournament has raised \$73,498, with proceeds directed toward the rejuvenation of Memorial Field and the track.

Players showed their PUMA Spirit by dressing in House colours, decorating their golf carts, and through healthy rivalry at the course games and House competitions. Congratulations to Blue House, this year's winners of an ice-cream party and dress down day for students in their House.

The committee was pleased to work with Mercedes-Benz Newmarket for a second year running as our event Title sponsor, and are grateful to the many sponsors, donors and golfers for their support of this event. Thank you to the golf committee for their contributions to a great day, and congratulations to the winning foursome James Tovell, Joseph Ricci, Simon Spina and Mark Sum!

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