



Building Caring Communities Through Intergenerational Programs

# MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board Chair: Lynn Olenek



#### VISION STATEMENT

Where seniors and youth build relationships that enhance their lives and enrich their communities.



#### MISSION STATEMENT

Linking Generations creates connections between seniors and youth by nurturing relationships built through volunteering and structured mentorship.



# MEASURABLE PROGRAM OUTCOMES & BENEFITS

Our organization places emphasize on achieving our Long-term Goals, ultimately fulfilling our Vision and Mission Statements.

- ✓ To continue to build relationships with youth in the program and within our community.
- ✓ To continue to engage schools to build skills and citizenship in students.
- ✓ To enhance the quality of life of seniors through sharing their wisdom and life experience with young people.
- ✓ To respond to changing environments as we create and deliver innovative programs.
- ✓ To know that Linking Generations is well known for the excellent program it offers.
- ✓ To ensure that Linking Generations provides the best value possible to youth, seniors, Funders, and the community we serve.

#### 2023-2024 SCHOOL AND SENIOR FACILITY PARTNERSHIPS

Junior High School Programs = 6

High School Programs = 4

Elementary School Programs = 2

*Total 2022-2023 Participants = 414* 









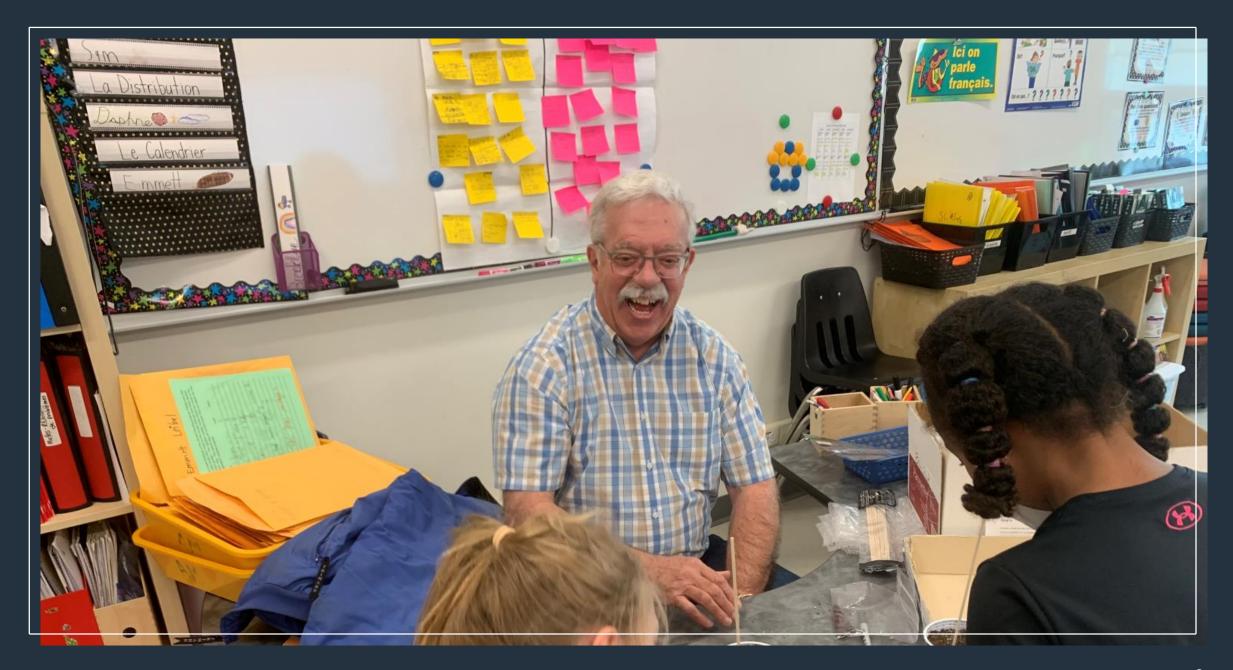
### 2023-2024 VOLUNTEER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

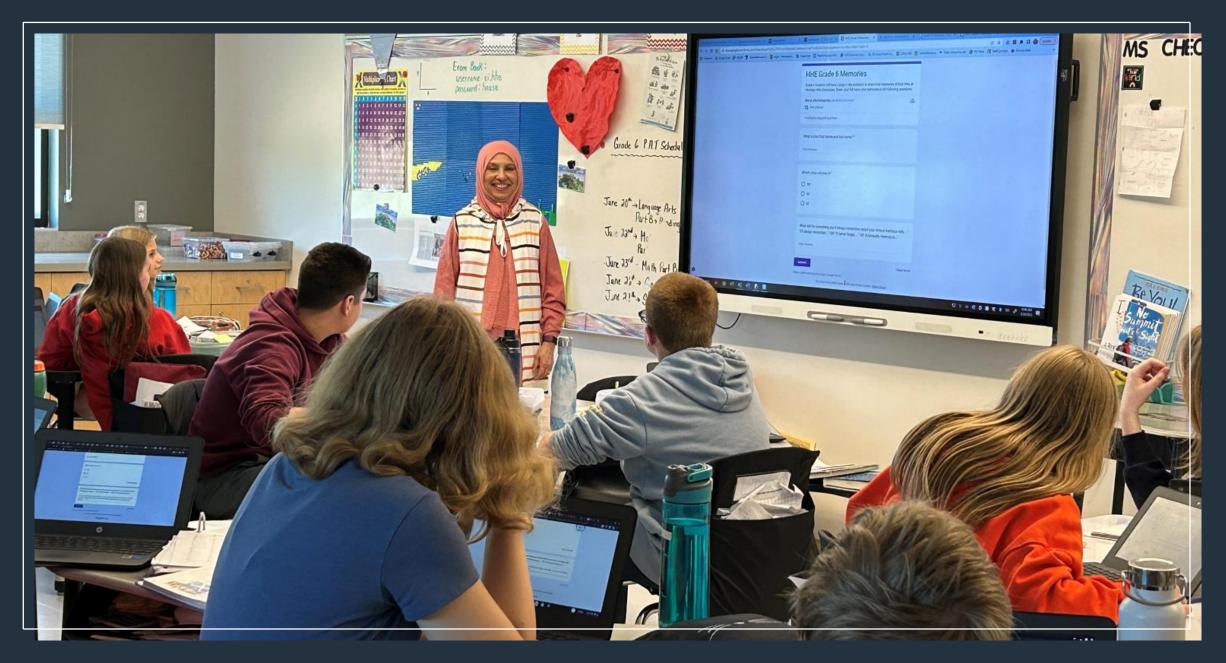
School Partnerships =12

Teacher Participants = 53

Senior Volunteer Placements = 47







# LINKING GENERATIONS PEN PAL PROGRAM

Linking Generations Pen Pal Program is intended to

facilitate meaningful, one-on-one intergenerational connections through the power of the written word.







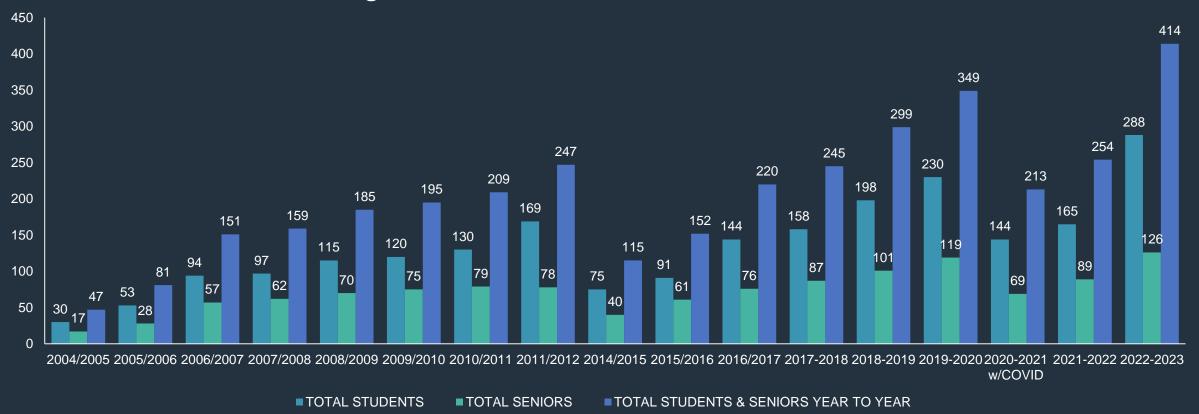
# LINKING GENERATIONS WRITERS IN RESIDENCE PROGRAM

Life stories can provide insight to how life has changed between generations, as well as providing an opportunity for our youth and seniors to become friends through storytelling and shared experiences.





#### **Total Linking Generations Year to Year Student and Senior Count**



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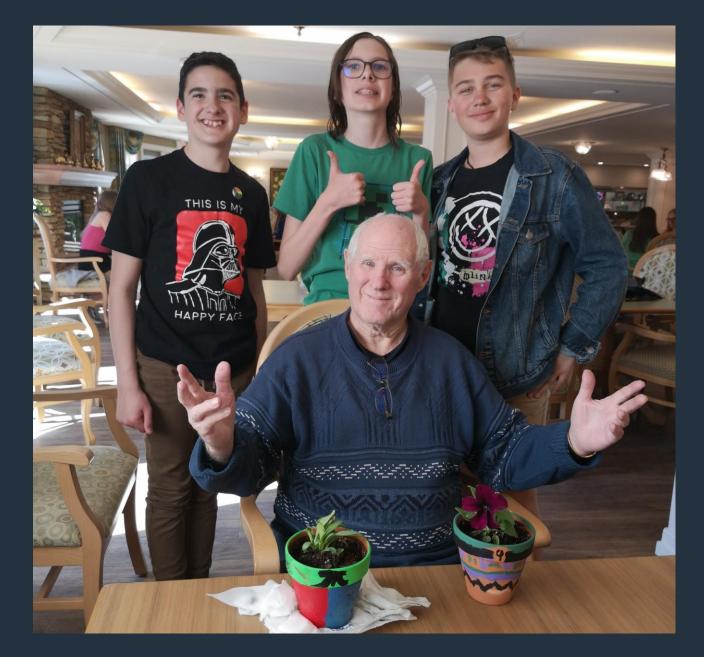
### 4500+ VOLUNTEER HOURS 2022-2023

Linking Generations is all about student and senior volunteers. We recorded 4500 volunteer hours donated from September 2022 to June 30, 2023.. Not only do our seniors and students volunteer their time, our Board of Directors also donate many hours as well.



# THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Each year we benefit from the generosity of our funding partners with whom we work collaboratively to achieve lasting impact in the lives of youth, seniors, and society as a whole.



#### PUBLIC AWARENESS AND RECOGNITION





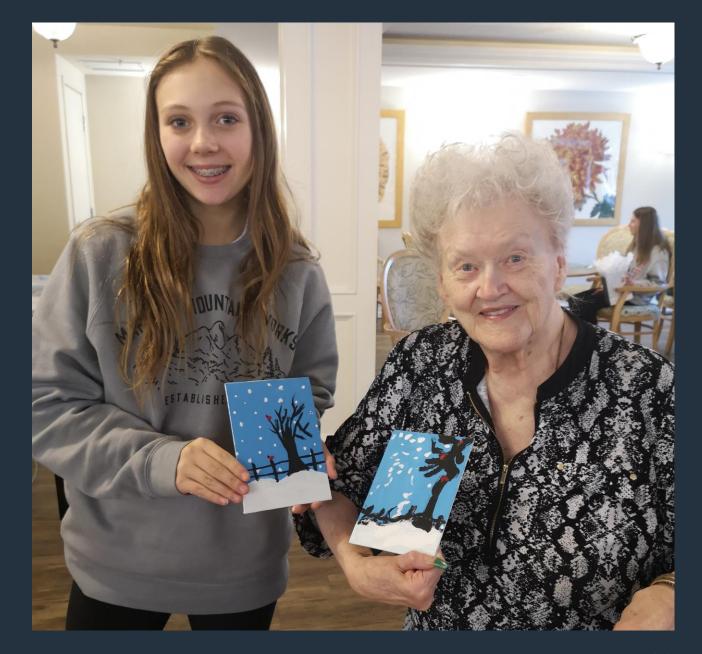
#### SENIOR PARTICIPANT

Linking Generations gives me a purpose for living and enjoying my days. The girls who visit with me are "my girls"- they share stories and insights to what life is like today as a teenager. I look forward to my visits each week with them.



# STUDENT

I am so thankful that I was able to have this opportunity. We have learnt so much about each other and created bonds that will never be forgotten. Linking generations gave us a chance to do crafts, play games, and share stories with our seniors. Thank you for this opportunity and I shout out a huge thank you to the seniors who make the decision to sign up for this program. I know that teenagers can sometimes have a bad reputation, so thank you for opening your hearts and taking a chance on getting to know us. I think that we can all agree that while the generations can seem so far apart, we have all learned that we have so much more in common than we ever could have imagined.





WE HAVE MUCH TO BE GRATEFUL FOR, AND SO MUCH TO BE EXCITED ABOUT.