



October 29, 2023

Dr. Sinda Vanderpool
President and Vice Chancellor
St. Mary's University
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Dear Dr. Vanderpool,

On behalf of the Board of Governors of St. Mary's University, I am pleased to offer support for expanding or altering the Fishcreek/Lacombe C-Train Station and Platform to additionally recognize St. Mary's University.

Having held positions of Chief Superintendent for the Calgary Catholic School District and now of the Calgary Board of Education, I have had the privilege of witnessing the direct impact that St. Mary's students and graduates have on the community. As Chair of the St. Mary's Board of Governors for the past three years I have also had the opportunity to watch St. Mary's grow and increase its scope of programming, and impact in the community through work integrated learning and social justice initiatives.

The iconic red water tower that can be seen from McLeod trail is symbol of strength for St. Mary's University, a testament to the campus' historic past, but also an identifier to community members and Calgarians that St. Mary's exists, that there is a university situated in the south of Calgary that provides a wholistic education to students and prepares them to become leaders who embody a dedication to service above self.

Renaming the current Fishcreek/Lacombe C-Train Station and Platform would highlight the asset that St. Mary's University is to Calgary, drawing direct connections between education and the wonderful assets of our city. It would provide another point of recognition for the university, helping to establish St. Mary's University as a dynamic and lasting community asset in southeast Calgary.

Sincerely,

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Gary Strother
Board Chair, St. Mary's University

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St. Mary's University
Faculty Association

Oct 19, 2023

Dr. Sinda Vanderpool
President and Vice Chancellor
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Dear Dr. Vanderpool,

On behalf of the St. Mary's University Faculty Association, I am pleased to offer support for renaming the Fish Creek/Lacombe C-Train Station and Platform to additionally recognize St. Mary's University.

As a member of the faculty of St. Mary's for close to ten years, I have had the opportunity to watch St. Mary's grow and increase the impact its students and graduates have had in the community through its scope of programming and social justice initiatives.

Renaming the current Fish Creek/Lacombe C-Train Station and Platform would highlight the asset that St. Mary's University is to Calgary, being the only university in the southeast. This will help increase the visibility of St. Mary's and provide another point of recognition for potential students.

It is my hope that Calgary City Council and administration will give this motion its full consideration, and that it will be approved.

Sincerely,



Dr. Carolyn Salomons
President, Faculty Association
Associate Professor, History
Chair of Social Sciences
St. Mary's University



CALGARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Chief Superintendent

October 18, 2023

Dr. Sinda Vanderpool
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Dear Dr. Vanderpool,

On behalf of Calgary Catholic School District, I am pleased to express my support for renaming the Fishcreek/Lacombe C-Train Platform and Station to recognize St. Mary's University.

For students living in south Calgary, St. Mary's University presents an opportunity to attend a post-secondary institution without having the burden of a lengthy commute. St. Mary's is an alternative to the larger institutions in Calgary, an institution that is based upon the personal learning experiences of its students and small classes that allow professors to interact with – and get to know – their students. Being adjacent to the C-Train line also presents an opportunity for individuals to achieve their post-secondary educational goals regardless of means of transportation.

I am fortunate to be able to see the impact that St. Mary's graduates have on their communities as teachers graduating from St. Mary's renowned Bachelor of Education program. These teachers are always the most prepared to enter their classrooms and lead with dignity and compassion and are often recognized as some of the best in their field. The scope of impact these graduates have on future generations is immeasurable and it is my belief that if we can help increase awareness for St. Mary's University and their programming by changing the Fishcreek/Lacombe C-Train Station and Platform name to include St. Mary's that it would be beneficial for all to do so.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Bryan Szumlas
Chief Superintendent
Calgary Catholic School District



October 19, 2023

Dr. Sinda Vanderpool
President and Vice Chancellor
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Dear Dr. Vanderpool,

I am pleased to extend my support for renaming the Fish Creek/Lacombe C-Train station and platform to recognize St. Mary's University.

St. Mary's University is a valuable member of Calgary's post-secondary learning landscape. St. Mary's University has been supporting and empowering Calgary learners for over 30 years through dynamic programming set in intimate learning environments.

Having recently undertaken this same process at Bow Valley College, I am acutely aware of the benefits of including the institution's name on the adjacent C-Train Station and Platform. This additional wayfinding marker for St. Mary's will provide tremendous impact for the institution assisting in aiding potential students find St. Mary's location while also perhaps introducing the school to those in the Calgary community who may not have even known that St. Mary's exists.

Including St. Mary's University's name on the Fishcreek/Lacombe station and platform recognizes the University's history in south Calgary, and its future contributions to the area and beyond. As demonstrated with Bow Valley, SAIT and the Alberta College of Arts, and the University of Calgary stations, there is a precedence to having post-secondary institutions names identified on adjacent stations and it is my hope that this can be the case for St. Mary's University.

It is my hope that Calgary City Council and administration will give this motion its full consideration, and that it will be approved as quickly as feasible.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Misheck Mwaba
President and CEO
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**UNIVERSITY OF
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October 16, 2023

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Dear Dr. Vanderpool,

I am pleased to express my support for renaming the Fish Creek/Lacombe C-Train station and platform in recognition of St. Mary's University as a place of prominence in Southeast Calgary.

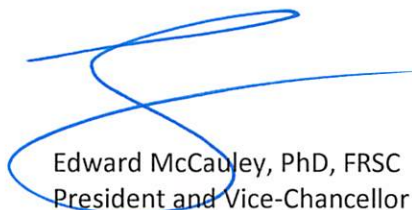
As a commuter school with no permanent residences on campus, public transit and the proximity to the current Fish Creek-Lacombe C-Train station has helped ensure that a holistic St. Mary's University education is not reserved just for those with their own means of transportation. For over 20 years, St. Mary's University has been a pillar of the southeast community, helping Calgarians meet their educational and career goals with accessible, innovative programs.

St. Mary's holds a significant place in the hearts and minds of many individuals within our community. It has been a centre of education, research, and community engagement for many years, making a profound impact on the surrounding communities. By renaming the Fish Creek-Lacombe platforms to include St. Mary's University, it would not only honour St. Mary's contributions but enhance the station and platform's identity and promote community pride.

Updating the name of the Fish Creek/Lacombe C-Train station and platform identifies the location of St. Mary's University directly on the train line. There is precedent for this, as with other post-secondary institutions adjacent to C-Train stations (i.e. University Station, SAIT-Alberta University of the Arts-Jubilee Station, City Hall-Bow Valley College Station) also have their names identified at the station.

Please know that as the president of the University of Calgary, you have my strong support for the motion to Calgary City Council.

Sincerely,



Edward McCauley, PhD, FRSC
President and Vice-Chancellor

Dr. Sinda Vanderpool
President and Vice Chancellor
St. Mary's University
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Dear Dr. Vanderpool,

On behalf of the Student Legislative Council, I am pleased to express my support on behalf of the students of St. Mary's University for renaming the Fish Creek/Lacombe C-Train Platform and Station to recognize St. Mary's University.

Being adjacent to the C-Train line presents an opportunity for St. Mary's students to achieve their post-secondary educational goals regardless of means of transportation. This additional wayfinding marker for St. Mary's will provide tremendous impact for the institution while also perhaps introducing the school to those in the Calgary community who may not have even known that St. Mary's exists.

It is the hope of the students of St. Mary's University that Calgary City Council and administration will give this motion its full consideration, and that it will be approved as St. Mary's University stands as a symbol of the history and growth of south Calgary for which we are extremely proud.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Christian Myers', written in a cursive style.

Christian Myers
President, Student Legislative Council
St. Mary's University