

Your Opportunity to Support Youth and Water Education

Most young people have no idea how their actions impact the water quality of our rivers!



You Can Make a Difference

Water quantity and quality continue to be critical issues in the 21st century. Climate change, industrial expansion and growing municipalities impact Alberta's water resources. **Hands-on experiences like RiverWatch** are an effective means to convey the importance of water in Alberta and encourage environmental stewardship.

You can support the RiverWatch Science Program as we engage youth in the health of our river systems. RiverWatch is **the most widely-used water education field study** available to Alberta's grade 8-12 science students. Students are guided through a day of travel along a 10 km section of river aboard large, inflatable rafts fully equipped as mobile water quality laboratories. RiverWatch is a non-profit education organization and recipient of the **Prime Minister's National Award for Teaching Excellence**.

We Need Your Help

Support of donors like you has kept us on-the-water since 1995. RiverWatch is **expecting more than 10,000 students** to participate in programs this coming year and is now moving forward with expansion plans and fund development focused in two areas — student bursaries and the purchase of a new equipment bus. Your donation will allow us to engage the hearts and minds of young people to protect and improve a sustainable water supply in our communities. Your support will make a difference!

If the **opportunity to support water education toward a brighter future** is aligned with your interests, we'd certainly like to discuss your support. If you are able to refer RiverWatch to other interested individuals or companies, that would also be appreciated as an important component of our "friend-raising" campaign.

Buy-a-Bus Campaign

Your donation toward the purchase of a new equipment bus will keep RiverWatch traveling to rivers for spring and fall field studies for years to come. On each study day, the RiverWatch bus will park beside a river for one-hundred eager students to file aboard and obtain the rubber boots, PFD's, paddles and water-analysis kits required for a river adventure. Rafts are unloaded from the trailer towed behind the bus and students are then ready to travel on another Alberta river to answer and act upon the question "How do my actions impact river water quality?" Each donation of:

- **\$10 will place one aspiring student-scientist aboard the new equipment bus**
- **\$2,000 will purchase an individual bus seat**
- **\$4,000 will purchase a full bench seat**
- **\$8,000 will fund a row of bus seats**
- **\$50,000 will fund half a bus**
- **\$100,000 will purchase and customize an entire new bus**



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