



A BOY WHO IS **GUIDED**
IS A MAN WHO HAS **PURPOSE.**

MEN OF CHARACTER FROM BOYS OF PROMISE





CRESCENT FACTS AT A GLANCE

MISSION

Men of Character
from Boys of Promise

ESTABLISHED

1913

GRADES

3 to 12

CORE VALUES

Respect, Responsibility,
Honesty and
Compassion

CAMPUS

30 acres in
midtown Toronto

NUMBER OF STUDENTS

750

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

15 - 20 students

STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

9:1

ACCREDITATION

Canadian Accredited
Independent Schools
(CAIS)
and the Ontario
Ministry of Education

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE ANNUALLY

Over \$1,200,000

CRESCENT
Lower School



Welcome to Crescent School

Thank you for taking this opportunity to learn about Crescent School. I am pleased you are considering us on your quest to find the ideal school for your son.

Crescent is proudly a school where boys can learn about who they are, how they can lead and begin to discover the legacy they can leave behind – all so important, when the need for good men in this world has never been greater.

As a father myself, I deeply know how important it is for you to send your son to a school where he is known and valued, and where his full potential can be reached.

I believe that we are that kind of school.

For over 100 years, we have maintained an unwavering focus on character development. Our mission, *Men of Character from Boys of Promise*, recognizes that boys with curious minds and open hearts have the potential to develop in a manner that will fit their mission in life, whatever it might be.

Our desire is to be a place where boys come to be well. This is what motivates our ambition to nurture their social-emotional and physical wellness in addition to their academic achievement.

Our actively involved and culturally diverse community of staff, faculty and parents steadfastly supports our efforts and our vision. And because lasting friendships and strong bonds are an inherent part of the Crescent School experience, your son will graduate with an alumni brotherhood that will be with him for life.

We look forward to welcoming you and your family to our campus and our community.

HEADMASTER MICHAEL FELLIN
& HIS SON FIONN,
CRESCENT CLASS OF 2024



A BOY WHO IS **WELCOMED**
IS A MAN WHO IS **INCLUSIVE.**

Developing character for today and tomorrow.

Character development is alive at Crescent School. It is in our DNA and we do everything with one goal in mind: to have our boys of promise become men of character.

We cultivate our boys' moral, performance and civic character throughout their Crescent journey.

A Crescent graduate knows who he is, understands how to lead and realizes what is involved in creating his own legacy. What's more, he exhibits six essential qualities that will help him meet the demands of the 21st century.

He is committed to being a **positive leader** who builds relationships and understands the importance of serving others to inspire action and accomplishment. He is a **critical thinker** who listens clearly, communicates effectively and collaborates well. He is an **engaged citizen** who respects other people's differences, is mindful of interconnectivity and seeks betterment in his local and global community. Finally, he is **adaptable, resourceful** and **creative** in meeting the challenges of an increasingly complex world.

Our curriculum and co-curricular activities are designed to deliver the key competencies for each of these essential qualities, with student outcomes evaluated based on behaviours and knowledge that demonstrate these ideals.





A BOY WHO IS **SUPPORTED**
IS A MAN WHO **CHAMPIONS ALL.**



A school that brings out the best in boys.

So, why should you send your son to a school for boys?

A school for boys understands and celebrates boys. We focus on their intellectual, physical, social and emotional lives and have an appreciation for the intensity and complexity of boyhood.

We seek first to build good men who make morally responsible choices and live honourable lives. This, while encouraging our boys to pursue high academic achievement and taking care of their wellbeing.

Schools for boys take into account a simple fact: boys develop and learn in different ways than girls. Boys are more spatial and visual by nature and are hard-wired to learn more easily through actions than words.

We teach in ways that boys learn best. Every member of our faculty and staff has made a conscious decision to teach boys. They understand that doing so requires a commitment to building relationships as well as crafting a curriculum that engages each student.

A school for boys helps students discover and explore their full potential. Without the social pressures of a coed environment, they can be whatever they want: scholar, athlete, artist or student leader.

Working together in the classroom, on the playing field, or in the performance halls, our boys are united by a special bond of brotherhood. They build friendships with their peers and our staff and faculty that they carry with them for life.





A BOY WHO IS **ENCOURAGED**
IS A MAN WHO **PERSEVERES.**

One school. Three divisions. Countless opportunities.

Crescent School is made up of three divisions: a Lower School for boys Grades 3 to 6; a Middle School for boys in Grades 7 and 8; and an Upper School for boys in Grades 9 to 12. Character education takes place in all of them, with ample learning experiences and opportunities provided at every level.

Lower School

In our Lower School, each of our boys discovers his promise. He is introduced to the core values of Respect, Responsibility, Honesty and Compassion that will be an integral part of his experience at Crescent. Our Lower School has a detailed character education program with goals, themes and character pledges in every grade. All of our robust curricular and co-curricular programs support our boys in reaching their goals.

Middle School

Middle School is where a boy pursues his potential, taking his first steps towards manhood. Our innovative programs enable him to find his passion and the learning skills that work best for him. Students are actively involved on teams, in Outreach programs, in bands and choirs, in robotics, in plays and intramural programs. Our boys learn how to be leaders, delivering daily announcements, performing community service, tutoring younger students and more.

Upper School

Our Upper School boys focus on defining their purpose and learning the important things they need to know as men. Boys participate in our wide-ranging co-curricular activities. Our local, national and international Outreach opportunities allow our boys to become fully immersed in communities beyond Crescent. Upper School boys are encouraged to hone their leadership skills by serving as Head Boy, Prefects and House Captains, holding executive positions in teams and clubs, or through meaningful opportunities to mentor younger boys.





A BOY WHO **LEARNS**
IS A MAN WHO **TEACHES.**

An education that is like no other.

What sets a Crescent School education apart? It is academically rigorous, while exciting, fulfilling, relevant and broad.

Crescent provides an active, all-boys relational learning environment where boys thrive and flourish and experience a true sense of brotherhood. We are a school that is collegial and cooperative, empowering student engagement, growth and achievement.

Our curriculum is taught by highly motivated teachers who have the competencies essential for our boys to flourish. They understand that establishing a relationship with a boy unlocks the door to his learning and engages him in his character development.

We offer an optional, Advanced Placement (AP) program that is available for mathematics, sciences, English, French, geography and economics. This enriches their learning and makes it possible for our Upper School students to earn university credits or placement into a second-year university course.

All of our curricular and co-curricular activities reflect "The Crescent Way". That means they are closely aligned to our mission, our vision and values, responsive to the unique interests, capacities and aspirations of boys, enriched and modern, and at the same time, rigorous, relational and relevant. These activities are also inventive and innovative, inclusive and just, use multiple modes of learning, and strongly emphasize leadership and service.





A BOY WHO IS **CARED FOR**
IS A MAN WHO HAS **EMPATHY.**

A supportive environment that fosters success.

Crescent provides academic support to help our boys develop the learning, planning, time-management and organization skills that are integral to their success. And as our Upper School boys prepare for graduation, Crescent's Guidance and University Counselling team helps them explore their career choices and find the best match with post-secondary institutions worldwide.

Social-emotional support is available to broaden our boys' understanding of who they are and how they can mature into Men of Character. Our social workers are available to provide counselling, coaching and advice – and to work with teachers to ensure that our boys are able to deal with any issues they might have.

Our Wellness Centre provides primary care to students who become ill or injured at school and ensures boys coping with chronic illness or injury are appropriately accommodated. It also offers concussion support and care, in collaboration with Holland Bloorview Concussion Centre. Crescent provides a healthy lunch program that is free with tuition and holds monthly wellness days, where students engage in stress-releasing activities.





A BOY WHO **LOVES LEARNING**
IS A MAN WHO **CONTINUES TO GROW.**

Inspiring boys through the arts, athletics, business, outreach and robotics.

At Crescent School, learning is not strictly confined to the classroom. There are so many ways for your boy to nurture his mind, body and spirit through our five signature Character-In-Action programs.

Arts

Crescent's commitment to the Arts is clearly demonstrated by our superb facilities and the dedication of our faculty. Our drama program helps boys develop their skills in creative thinking and communication, imaginative problem solving and ensemble building – with three major productions staged each year. Our visual arts classes inspire creativity in every medium. Our media arts curriculum allows boys to present even their grandest ideas through website design, 3D video production, print, photography, sound and animation. Crescent's music program includes many performance groups including senior and junior choirs, chamber choirs, a senior jazz ensemble, a symphonic band, string and guitar ensemble and chamber groups.

Athletics

Crescent Athletics are opportunities to teach values above winning, including teamwork and sportsmanship. We have over 70 sports teams that compete in CISAA, including soccer, rugby, basketball, volleyball, cross-country, track and field, hockey, swimming, baseball, badminton, golf, tennis and Ultimate Frisbee. Team athletes practice, train or compete 3 – 5 times each week during the season. There are intramural and House-based sports for students who are not on competitive teams.

Business

Our Business programs give our boys the chance to hone their business skills while engaging in real-life "character-in-action" situations. Students are able to lead, communicate, employ analytical and critical thinking skills and compete in high-pressure situations. We offer economics, accounting and a business entrepreneurship course where students learn how to launch their own business venture. We have a Crescent School Investment Team where our boys manage a real money portfolio, as well as a Business Team Leadership Program and a Junior Business Club. We also participate in Business Case Competitions and DECA.

Outreach

Crescent's Outreach programs offer our boys opportunities to discover and demonstrate their character. Through their involvement in local, national and international community service, students become aware of their role in society and more importantly, become sensitive to the needs of others. Crescent's annual trip to a First Nations community in Northern Ontario gives students the chance to learn about the unique heritage and traditions of our Indigenous people and the issues they face. Our students also actively participate in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

Robotics

Our Robotics curriculum and co-curricular teams and clubs are opportunities for our boys to develop new skills and learn about potential careers in science, technology and engineering. We offer technical design courses where students design, program, wire and fabricate solutions to address a specific need. Both our Team 610 and our VEX IQ Robotics Club compete at the provincial and world levels.





A BOY WHO IS **CELEBRATED**
IS A MAN WHO **APPRECIATES OTHERS**

Crescent boys enjoy brotherhood for life.

Brotherhood and strong bonds are an inherent part of the Crescent School experience.

Our boys leave Crescent with friendships they carry with them forever.

Our alumni frequently return to our campus to share their experiences, offer guidance and to give back to the school in a variety of ways. They are featured speakers at our university and career education events. Alumni can be found passing along their skills in clubs such as DECA and Robotics. They are also generous supporters of our student financial aid program, helping guarantee that the Crescent School experience is available to even more boys.

Our Alumni Internship Program connects young Crescent alumni with employers who can offer meaningful summer employment opportunities. Alumni mentoring programs connect Grade 12s and recent graduates with alumni who can provide guidance about university programs, career possibilities and life choices.

We have an active alumni network around the world. These friends, advisors, mentors and role models provide personal and professional connections and support for life.







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