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Surrey Board of Education Recognition: Mainroad Construction

Our schools regularly receive support from many businesses in the community...From gift donations in support of a Dry Grad fundraiser, to multi-year sponsorship of district-wide programs, our board is always grateful for such important and valued assistance.

So, we are thrilled tonight to be able to publicly recognize a construction company that believes in building communities as much as in building roads and bridges. Not long after Mainroad Construction formed in the late 1980s, that company began quietly supporting the students of Bridgeview Elementary school in important ways.

Since 1992, Mainroad Group—as it is now called—has been generously donating to the school so Bridgeview students could take swimming lessons. For 20 years now, the company has been covering the cost of transporting students to various community swimming pools. Mainroad has also assisted families that couldn't afford the costs of swimming lessons.

The lessons are an annual, school-wide event. The opportunity provided through Mainroad's largesse means Bridgeview students not only get healthy physical exercise, they learn an important skill...a skill that is valuable to have for the rest of their lives, particularly in an area with abundant rivers, lakes and coastlines.

One might say Bridgeview students are the longest-running and most important building projects the employee-owned Mainroad Group has taken on. It's estimated the company's support of Bridgeview students over the years amounts to about \$40,000. But the benefit to students far exceeds any monetary measure.

The Surrey Board of Education recognizes Mainroad Group for its exceptional commitment in support of the students of Bridgeview Elementary School.

Photos are below. Click on the image to download a high-resolution copy.



Bridgeview elementary school principal Andrew Shook (from left), Mainroad's Calvin Chan and Doug Bjornson and Surrey Board of Education chairperson Shawn Wilson with a thank-you poster from the students who, thanks to Mainroad, took swimming lessons this year. Every student who attended lessons "signed" the poster with their handprints.



Mainroad's Calvin Chan (left) and Doug Bjornson accept an official Board Recognition from board chairperson Shawn Wilson.