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Dr. Freda Miller to be Honoured with CBE Legacy Award

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CALGARY – The Calgary Board of Education (CBE) Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that Dr. Freda Miller is the next recipient of the CBE’s Legacy Award. The award will be presented to her at the public board meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020.

Dr. Miller is a proud alumna of the Calgary public school system. She attended schools in Montgomery and Bowness for her primary and high school education, and benefitted from the gifted program at Queen Elizabeth High School in her junior high years. She currently lives in Toronto, where she is a cell and molecular developmental neurobiologist at Toronto’s Hospital for Sick Children.

Dr. Miller has made some extraordinary discoveries over the course of her career, including the discovery of stem cells in the skin that are critical for the repair of injured skin. She has also made significant contributions to understanding how stem cells build the brain during normal development. This research helps to explain how stem cell building can go awry in disorders such as autism.

She is proud to have trained many young scientists. Twenty-five of the graduate students and postdoctoral fellows who trained in Dr. Miller’s laboratory now hold faculty positions at universities around the world.

The CBE Legacy Award celebrates public education in Calgary and the individuals who have contributed to our communities. In every corner of the city, across the country and beyond, CBE alumni have made a lasting impact.

Public education makes a difference in our communities, our country and our world. Legacy Award recipients will embody the work of the public education system and represent the legacy of the CBE: preparing students for life, work and inspiring life-long learning.

Nominations for the Legacy Award are accepted year round. The form is available on the CBE website at <http://cbe.ab.ca/about-us/board-of-trustees/Pages/legacy-award.aspx>