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MEDIA ADVISORY

Winning students in classroom challenge invent a pop-up lunch table out of cardboard

[Calgary, Canada] — When you just don't want to eat your lunch sitting on the cold hard floor anymore, what's a student to do? Enter, the "Lunchboxer 2000."

The winning students of the annual Beakerhead Ingenuity Challenge created this cardboard table and chair to solve a real-world problem. The invention was part of challenge to more than 500 classrooms that were sent a mystery package. This year, the package was a stack of cardboard and the prompt "There must be a better way."

115 schools from across Alberta took part in two categories: Grades K-6 and Grades 7-12. A grade 3 class at Mother Mary Greene School took the top prize.

Other inventions included food-sharing robots, boot plows and book vending machines.

The Ingenuity Challenge is part of the Beakerhead year-round school programs. This year the program was made possible with support from Conoco Phillips Canada.

Photo and Interview Opportunities

- What** Announcement of Ingenuity Challenge winners
February 7, 2018 10:30 am-10:45 am
Mother Mary Greene School, 115 Edenwold Drive NW, Calgary, Alberta
- Visuals** The "Lunchboxer 2000" in action with student at Mother Mary Greene School
A hundred pictures and videos of student inventions made from cardboard at
www.beakerhead.com/programs/school-programs
- Who** Jay Ingram, Co-founder, Beakerhead
Carolyn Wallington, Education Program Manager, Beakerhead
Michelle Pichlyk, Grade 3 teacher, Mother Mary Greene School

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