

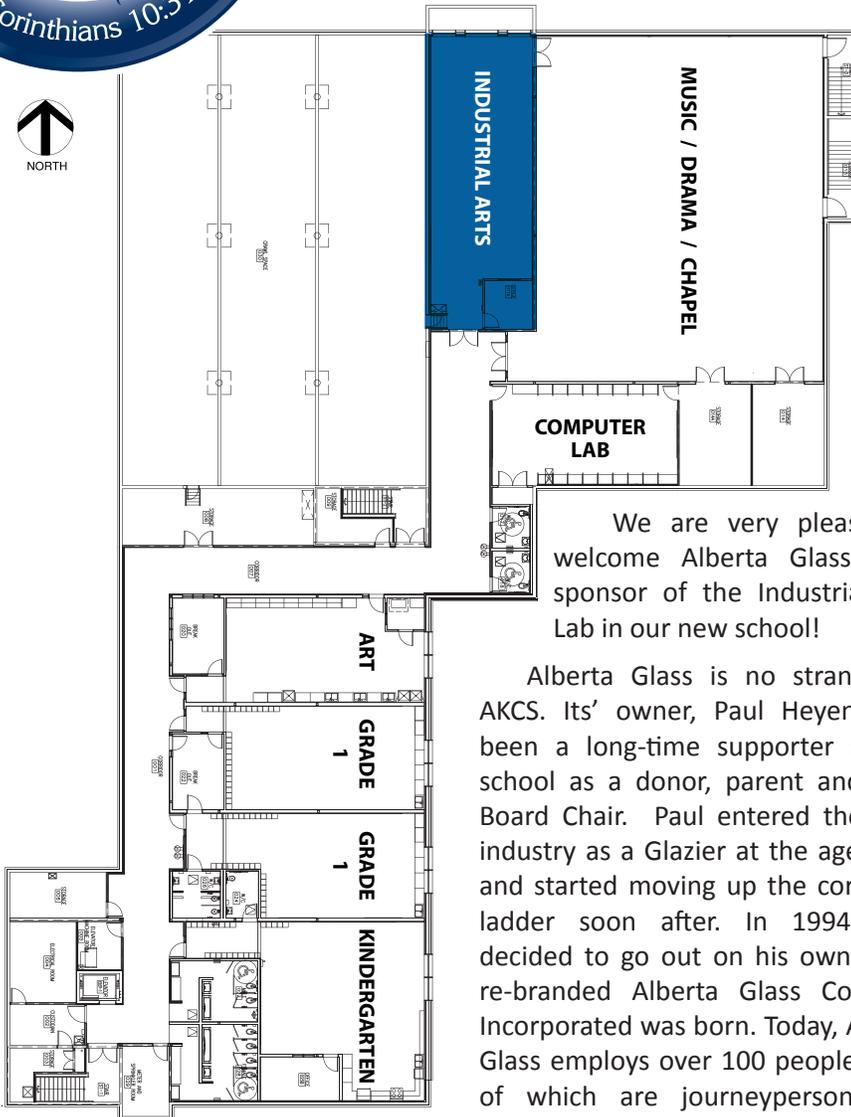


# Airdrie Koinonia Christian School

established 1987

## Sponsor Profile

### LOWER LEVEL FLOOR PLAN



We are very pleased to welcome Alberta Glass as a sponsor of the Industrial Arts Lab in our new school!

Alberta Glass is no stranger to AKCS. Its' owner, Paul Heyens, has been a long-time supporter of our school as a donor, parent and even Board Chair. Paul entered the glass industry as a Glazier at the age of 17 and started moving up the corporate ladder soon after. In 1994, Paul decided to go out on his own and a re-branded Alberta Glass Company Incorporated was born. Today, Alberta Glass employs over 100 people, most of which are journeymen and apprentices, and has offices in both Edmonton and Calgary. In 2012, Alberta Glass was a regional finalist in Canada's Best Managed Companies and was also a Contractor of the Year Award Winner.



Spend a few minutes with Paul and you will immediately get an education on the importance of the trades in Alberta. He says, "Long gone are the days when trades were a 'second choice'. If I look at a classroom of 20 students, it's likely that 8 of them will be in a trade or an occupation related to trades." That is why it was an easy decision for Alberta Glass to sponsor our Industrial Arts Lab. They view this sponsorship as an investment into the future workforce in Alberta. Paul adds, "I would urge you (parents) to consider how trades and technologies impact and change our world and to have that conversation with your children. We need competent tradespeople and the trades can be a satisfying career."

When asked if Alberta Glass is a Christian business, Paul smiles and says, "I am a Christian businessman, who runs a responsible business." He concludes, "I feel that all corporations have a social responsibility to give back to their community, Christian or otherwise. This sponsorship at AKCS is just one way we give back to our community."

Thank you Alberta Glass for being a proud supporter of Airdrie Koinonia Christian School!

