SCIENCE SCHOOL
TELUS SPARK

In July 1997, TELUS Spark started as the Calgary Centennial Planetarium. 30 years and a new location later, we have evolved to be a community hub bringing people together to learn, play and create with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math). TELUS Spark operates on four core values: collaboration, commitment, curiosity and courage to ignite a passion for science and learning.

On November 26, 1997, Chevron Open Minds Science School opened at TELUS Spark and became the third site for the Chevron Open Minds Program. The official kick-off was celebrated with Premier Honourable Ralph Klein and other dignitaries in the Discovery Dome before the location change.

The program grew and evolved until June 2011 and in January of 2012, the Chevron Open Minds Science School started operating at TELUS Spark, the New Science Centre, as a pilot program with 18 weeks of programming. Chevron Open Minds Science School now operates as a full-time site with 38 weeks of programming. To this date, more than 15,600 students have participated in the program.

Chevron Open Minds Science School is a place to get your neurons firing through the STEAM disciplines. Students can explore the design process and discover the connections between engineering, innovation, technology and collaborative design experiences. Students engage in meaningful experiences through risk-taking in a safe environment with opportunities designed to build courage and fuel creativity.