

# Recent expansion of corporate child care in Canada

With the announcement this week that Edleun - Canada's first publicly traded child care corporation - is acquiring 7 centres in Ontario, CRRU has collected information on the corporation's recent expansion across Canada. Resources include [news articles](#) <sup>[1]</sup>, [NGO reports and position papers](#) <sup>[2]</sup>, and [the company's own press releases](#) <sup>[3]</sup>. Items are organized from most recent to least recent.

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## News articles

[Edleun Group, an Albertan company, is building a national network of for-profit child care centres](#) <sup>[5]</sup>  
Venture Magazine, 14 Jun 2012

Alberta

[The real daycare challenge: making money](#) <sup>[6]</sup>

Globe and Mail, 8 Feb 12

[Company brings for-profit daycare to Toronto apartment buildings](#) <sup>[7]</sup>

Globe and Mail, 6 Feb 2012

[For-profit daycare to partner with apartment landlord](#) <sup>[8]</sup>

Toronto Star, 5 Feb 2012

[Sale of three area Montessori schools draws criticism](#) <sup>[9]</sup>

Windsor Star, 15 Dec 2011

[Let parents, not ideology, choose daycare for their children](#) <sup>[10]</sup>

Editorial, Globe and Mail, 15 Dec 2011

>> [Letter to the Editor: Kids and corporations](#) <sup>[11]</sup>

Martha Friendly, 15 Dec 2011

[Big-box child care buys Ontario centres](#) <sup>[12]</sup>

Toronto Star, 13 Dec 2011

>> [Letter to the Editor: Our children are not-for-profit](#) <sup>[13]</sup>

Laurel Rothman, 17 Dec 2011

>> [Letter to the Editor: No to corporate child care](#) <sup>[14]</sup>

Shani Halfon, 15 Dec 2011

>> [Letter to the Editor: Province needs a plan](#) <sup>[15]</sup>

Carolyn Ferns, 15 Dec 2011

Commercial daycare company acquiring seven centres in Ontario <sup>[16]</sup>

Globe and Mail, 13 Dec 11

>> Letter to the Editor: Big box kids <sup>[17]</sup>

Billie Carroll, 14 Dec 2011

CUPE critical of 'big box daycare' coming to Ontario: Canada's largest, publicly-traded daycare company has Ontario foothold after buying local Montessori <sup>[18]</sup>

CBC Windsor, 13 Dec 2011

Edleun stock pops as daycare operator plans five acquisitions in B.C., Alta. <sup>[19]</sup>

Canadian Press, 27 Sep 2011

'Big box' daycare setting up in Maple Ridge, BC <sup>[20]</sup>

BC Local News, 3 Aug 2011

Interview with [then] Edleun CEO Leslie Wulf on expansion to BC <sup>[21]</sup>

CBC Radio All Points West, 9 Aug 2011

Audio clip [Wulf interview starts at 8:35]

For-profit firm plans seven centres in B.C. <sup>[22]</sup>

Vancouver Sun, 8 Aug 2011

Day care operator Edleun widens net loss as it grows its business <sup>[23]</sup>

Canadian Press, 21 Jun 2011

Big box babysitting: Corporate child care is not the solution <sup>[24]</sup>

Straight Goods, 30 May 2011

Public school board rejects company's bid for space <sup>[25]</sup>

Edmonton Journal, 12 May 2011

Edleun eager to expand outside Alberta <sup>[26]</sup>

Globe and Mail, 29 Sep 2010

Challenges of building a daycare empire <sup>[27]</sup>

Globe and Mail, 29 Sep 2010

Coming soon: big box baby care <sup>[28]</sup>

Fast Forward, 29 Jul 2010

All-day kindergarten under threat? <sup>[29]</sup>

Toronto Star, 26 Jan 2010

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## NGO reports and position papers

Commercial child care in Canada: Can child care thrive in a speculative investment environment? <sup>[30]</sup>

Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC, 30 Oct 12

The pursuit of profit in Ontario child care: Risky business for parents and government <sup>[31]</sup>

CUPE Ontario, 28 Feb 12

Letter to Minister McNeil on commercial child care <sup>[32]</sup>

First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition, 30 Nov 2011

Commercial child care in BC: From threat to reality <sup>[33]</sup>

Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC, 1 May 2011

Edleun Inc.: Aggressive pursuit of profits in Canadian child care <sup>[34]</sup>

Canadian Union of Public Employees, 7 Dec 2010

PIA issues and solutions: Corporate childcare <sup>[35]</sup>

Public Interest Alberta, 10 Mar 2010

Corporate child care <sup>[36]</sup>

Ontario Coalition for Better Child Care, 1 Mar 2010

Multi-national corporate child care is coming to Canada <sup>[37]</sup>

Canadian Union of Public Employees, 6 Oct 2007

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## Edleun Group Inc. press releases

Edleun's continuing strong growth highlighted by 16% increase in child care spaces <sup>[38]</sup>

Stockhouse, 18 Nov 12

Edleun's Growth Continues with the Completion of the Acquisition of Three Centres in Ontario and Alberta <sup>[39]</sup>

Edleun Group Inc., 5 Jul 12

Edleun acquires eighth Ontario centre <sup>[40]</sup>

14 Mar 12

Edleun expands its growth through initial acquisitions in Ontario <sup>[41]</sup>

Edleun Group Inc., 12 Dec 2011

Edleun reports continuing growth with higher year-over-year same centre occupancy, revenue and margin <sup>[42]</sup>

Edleun Group Inc., 18 Nov 2011

Edleun strengthens senior management team through appointment of leading child care executive <sup>[43]</sup>

Edleun Group Inc., 19 Oct 2011

Edleun reports positive cash flow for the first time and substantial financial capacity for continuing growth <sup>[44]</sup>

Edleun Group Inc., 20 Jun 2011

Edleun commences national expansion through acquisition of six centres in British Columbia [45]  
Edleun Group Inc., 24 Mar 2011

Edleun achieved significant progress during its third quarter in implementing its consolidation and growth strategies in the Canadian childcare industry [46]  
Edleun Group Inc., 24 Nov 2010

Edleun completes acquisition of six childcare centres in Alberta [47]  
Edleun Group Inc., 3 Aug 2010  
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