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Online bids being accepted for signed Jose Bautista bat

An autographed bat by Major League Baseball's home run king, Jose Bautista, is now available for sale online at <http://bit.ly/cncsilentbid>.

Bautista's official Toronto Blue Jays bat will be auctioned off Saturday after CNC's second annual Dillon Adey Memorial Cup Golf Tournament June 18 at Aberdeen Glen.

An autographed ball by Jays infielder Adam Lind will also be auctioned off live during the dinner and dance at the Treasure Cove Casino beginning at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds will go directly to the Adey Endowment Fund at CNC.

"We are making these two items available to the public prior to the golf tournament and encourage those who aren't golfing this Saturday to put their bids in early," said Randall Heidt, CNC Director of Communications and Development. "We are grateful to the Blue Jays who provided us with the bat and ball and hope baseball fans realize how valuable these items are. While the golf tournament is sold out, people can e-mail us their bids and contact information and we can call them live from the auction and have them bid."

Dillon Adey, 21, was a former CNC student who died in a motorcycle accident in Prince George June 1, 2009. Since then, his family has created two bursaries – the Dillon Adey Memorial Endowment Bursary and the Dillon Adey Memorial Annual Bursary.

So far, more than \$50,000 has been raised, helping seven students with their studies at CNC and \$6,000 of equipment has been purchased for various CNC programs.

As of Tuesday, June 14, Bautista, who leads Major League Baseball with 21 home runs, has received more than three million votes in All-Star Balloting to earn a spot on the American League's All-star team for the July 12 MLB All-Star game in Phoenix. He was the top Major League Baseball slugger in 2010 with 54 home runs. Lind, the Blue Jays first baseman, sports a batting average of .327.

Those who want to put their bids in can enter bids at <http://bit.ly/cncsilentbid>.

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