

DURHAM DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board of Trustees with a quarterly report of the current construction and major projects progress, as information.

2.0 Ignite Learning Strategic Priority/Operational Goals

Success – *Set high expectations and provide support to ensure all staff and students reach their potential every year.*

Well-being – *Create safe, welcoming, inclusive learning spaces to promote well-being for all students and staff.*

3.0 Background

3.1 Capital Projects

The Board is in a fortunate capital position to have received approval for several capital projects, as follows:

- In February 2018, the Durham District School Board received Ministry of Education approval to build Beaverton PS/Thorah Central PS. The new school will replace and consolidate Beaverton PS and Thorah Central PS on the Beaverton PS site, in Beaverton. Approval was also given to build two new elementary schools, Unnamed North Ajax PS (Williamson Drive West/Bellinger Drive) in Ajax, and Unnamed North Whitby PS (Samandria Avenue/Lazio Street) in Whitby.
- In July 2020, the Durham District School Board received Ministry of Education approval to build a new elementary school, Unnamed Pickering Creekwood PS at Tillings Road and Scenic Lane Drive in Pickering and to also build an addition on to Mary St PS in Oshawa to replace the existing portapac.
- In October 2020, the Durham District School Board received Ministry of Education approval to build a new elementary school, Unnamed North Oshawa PS at Windfields Farm Drive West and Wintergrace Avenue in Oshawa.

3.2 Ministry Approval Process

The Ministry approval process must be carefully considered when undertaking any major capital projects. The stages of Ministry approval include announcement of funding, approval of facility space template and appointing an architect, approval to proceed to tender based on cost consultant report and post tender approval if the tender exceeds the approved funding amount. Each stage requires Ministry approval prior to proceeding to the next step.

3.3 Intention

The intention of this report is to provide a quarterly update in the months of September, January, March, and June. This report will be posted on the Board's website and will serve as an update in a non-technical manner.

4.0 Analysis

4.1 New Elementary School Construction Projects

Beaverton PS/Thorah Central PS Rebuild

Project Type: Rebuild Elementary School including child care centre and Early ON hub
Occupancy Date: September 2023 (Rescheduled from September 2022)
Architect: Moffet & Duncan Architects Inc.
Contractor: To be determined

Tender documents are being revised to include the recently approved program increase of 4 classrooms. This program expansion will support the expected enrollment increase. Authority approvals are complete, except for final execution fees. The project is waiting for the Ministry of Education's final approval to proceed to tender. Project completion date has been rescheduled from September 2022 to September 2023 due to time frame of final approvals and the current COVID 19 situation. Staff communicate with Ministry staff on an ongoing basis, regarding approvals. The last inquiry into the status of approval was May 4, 2021.

Unnamed North Ajax PS (Williamson Drive West/Bellinger Drive)

Project Type: New French Immersion Elementary School, including Early ON hub
Occupancy Date: September 2021
Architect: Cellucci + Pace
Contractor: Deciantis Construction Ltd.

Project construction is approaching substantial completion with roofing and brick veneer completed. Mechanical and electrical work along with interior finishing is nearing completion. Exterior site work is well underway with sidewalks and curbs complete and fence installation started.

Unnamed North Whitby PS (Samandria Avenue/Lazio Street)

Project Type: New Elementary School, including child care centre and Early ON hub
Occupancy Date: September 2021
Architect: MC Architects Inc.
Contractor: Percon Construction Inc.

Project construction is approaching substantial completion with roofing and brick veneer completed. Mechanical and electrical work along with interior finishing is nearing completion. Exterior site work is well underway with asphalt, sidewalks and fence installation ongoing.

Unnamed Pickering Creekwood PS (Tillings Road/Scenic Lane Drive)

Project Type: New Elementary School, including child care centre
Occupancy Date: September 2024 (Rescheduled from September 2023)
Architect: Cellucci + Pace
Contractor: To be determined

Facilities Services staff continue to move through the process of arranging DDSB's purchase of the property. The preliminary design meeting has taken place with the City of Pickering. The Board has provided comments on the City's proposed site remediation plan and awaits a response. Project completion date has been rescheduled from September 2023 to September 2024 due to time frame of approvals and remediation work required for property acquisition. Design development of the new facility is progressing while site issues are resolved.

Mary Street PS Oshawa – Addition

Project Type: Replacement of existing portapac with a new addition
Occupancy Date: September 2023
Architect: Moffet & Duncan Architects Inc.
Contractor: To be determined

Design development of the building addition is underway. DDSB staff continue to review construction options for modular built facilities as an alternative to a traditional build. DDSB has engaged in discussions with the City of Oshawa regarding the purchase of the property, which will impact the means and method of construction.

Unnamed North Oshawa PS (Windfields Farm Drive West/Wintergrace Avenue)

Project Type: New Elementary School, including child care centre
Occupancy Date: September 2023
Architect: To be determined
Contractor: To be determined

Design development of the new facility has commenced with site surveying well underway. The initial site plan agreement meeting took place with the City of Oshawa and the purchase of the property is progressing with the closing expected in mid-June.

4.2 Major Projects

PROJECT	SCHOOL/SITE	PROGRESS DETAILS
Main office renovations	Frenchman's Bay PS	Projects under design.
	Waverly PS	Project has tendered and is under construction.
Family Studies classroom	Ajax HS	Project has tendered and is under construction.
Elevator replacement	Village Union PS	Construction has been completed and the elevator is operational. Project included lift to access stage in gym.
Roofing projects	DASS Simcoe (Gym only) Eagle Ridge PS Fallingbrook PS Gordon B. Attersley PS O'Neill CVI Port Perry HS R.H. Cornish PS Westcreek PS Williamsburg PS	Tendering has been successfully completed. Preparations are underway for summer 2021 construction.
Masonry/wall cladding restoration and window replacement	Anderson CVI Dr. SJ Phillips PS	Project wrap up and demobilization complete.
	Bolton C. Falby PS Vincent Massey PS Glen St PS	New cladding and window projects have been tendered and are underway.
	Prince Albert PS Claremont PS Sir J.A. MacDonald PS E.A. Fairman PS	CVRIS funded window replacement projects have been tendered and are underway.
Library/Learning Commons Upgrades	Anderson CVI Claremont PS Glengrove PS	Projects under design and preparation for tender throughout 2021. Projects tendered and construction imminent or underway.
	Joseph Gould PS	Project tendered and underway.
	Lincoln Avenue PS Cartwright Central PS	Projects complete and deficiency completion is underway.

PROJECT	SCHOOL/SITE	PROGRESS DETAILS
Interior Modifications - Washroom Upgrade projects	R.S. McLaughlin CVI Dr. Robert Thornton PS	Projects have been tendered and construction is underway.
Child Care projects	McCaskill's Mills PS Roland Michener PS Winchester PS Bobby Orr PS Dr. Roberta Bondar PS Bayview Heights PS Glengrove PS Lakeside PS Vaughan Willard PS Seneca Trail PS Scott Central PS	Projects are complete and in the process of turnover to partners. Projects are under construction and progressing well. Project has tendered. Project has been submitted to Ministry and waiting for approval to proceed. Project has received Ministry approval to redesign in response to utilization issues.
Boiler replacement projects	Dr. Roberta Bondar PS Valley Farm PS	Tenders are completed for summer 2021 construction.
Accessibility projects	Cartwright Central PS Dunbarton HS Uxbridge PS	New ramp created to provide barrier free access to library has been completed. New elevator being constructed to provide access to two lower levels and main level of the school. Construction nearing completion. Tender has been completed for summer construction of a ramp to replace stair lift to provide access to gym.

4.3 Ventilation and Air Conditioning Projects

The following is a status report updating the progress of the Board approved initiative to provide air-conditioned cooling centres at each school site and a minimum of one fully air-conditioned building in each geographic area. This project has been ongoing since November 2017.

PROJECT	SCHOOL/SITE	PROGRESS DETAILS
Fully air-conditioned schools-ongoing	S.A. Cawker PS Donald A. Wilson SS	Project complete. Chiller replacement project successfully tendered. Fall 2021 replacement.
Partial air-conditioning /cooling centres-ongoing	Cadarackque PS Glen Dhu PS Harmony Heights PS Lincoln Avenue PS Prince Albert PS Valley Farm PS Bellwood PS Lord Elgin PS Uxbridge PS Uxbridge SS Glengrove PS Westney Heights PS	Construction complete, project turnover underway. Projects tendered. Construction underway. Provision of ventilation, including air conditioning, for the 3-storey original school building. Provision of ventilation, including air conditioning, for the original 3-storey school and adjacent 1956 addition. Projects currently out for tender.
Ventilation Projects (non air-conditioned)	Sir J.A. MacDonald PS Glengrove PS Lincoln Avenue PS	Projects have been tendered and are under construction.
Partial air-conditioning/cooling centres-pending	Greenbank PS Valley View PS	Project ready for design pending availability of funding.

This initiative will continue into the 2021/2022 fiscal year with additional sites being added.

5.0 Financial Implications

A total of \$54,838,656 will be used of the Ministry of Education currently approved Capital Priority Funds and \$69,355,754 will be used for Major Projects.

6.0 Evidence of impact

A total of 1,910 new pupil places will be created, 190 replacement pupil places (at Mary St PS) and a total of 195 new child care places, which will result in the removal of 26 portables.

7.0 Communication Plan

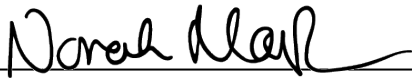
The Quarterly Construction and Major Projects Progress reports to Board in the months of September, January, March and June.

- The report is posted on the DDSB's website: [Construction and Property Updates](#)

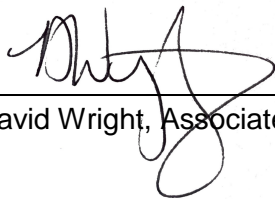
8.0 Conclusion

This report is provided to Trustees for information.

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