

New Westminster Secondary School Replacement Project

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From left to right: New Westminster Schools Board of Education trustees, Kelly Slade-Kerr and Michael Ewen; former Superintendent of Schools, Pat Duncan; Board of Education Chair, Mark Gifford; and Jean-Jacques Brossier from Graham Design-Builders LP.

December 13, 2017 – The Ministry of Education and the New Westminster School District are thrilled to announce that **Graham Design-Builders LP with KMBR Architects Planners Inc** has been awarded the contract to design and build the new New Westminster Secondary School, scheduled to open in 2020.

In March 2017, three shortlisted teams were invited to respond to the Request for Proposals. Over the past few months, the Project Team has worked with the three shortlisted teams to discuss the Statement of Requirements, which was developed based on the Board of Education’s aspirational statements. After a thorough evaluation process, the Project Team has selected Graham with KMBR to move forward with the Project.

The School District signed and finalized the formal design-build contract with Graham and KMBR on December 9, 2017, and has been working with Graham and KMBR over the past few weeks to finalize the contract and further develop the design for our beautiful new school.

Upcoming Community Consultation

The community will have an opportunity to continue to provide input on the design of the new school. In early 2018, the School District will hold community meetings and invite comment on the proposed design and construction impact mitigation. Consultation will include a variety of opportunities to provide feedback online, in person and by mail. Details about meeting dates, locations and online opportunities will be provided in the coming weeks.

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Kelly Slade-Kerr, Chair of the Board of Education for the New Westminster School District –

“The Board is confident that the proposed design will provide the most inspirational and accessible environment to educate New Westminster students now and in the future.”

Pat Duncan, Superintendent of Schools for the New Westminster School District –

“We know the community has been waiting a long time for a new secondary school. This is a monumental step forward and we can’t wait for the community to see how incredible this school will be.”

Rob Fleming, Minister of Education –

“As a dad with children in the public education system, nothing is more important to me than for students to have the opportunity to learn and grow in a comfortable and safe environment. I am encouraged to know secondary school students in New Westminster will soon be educated in a new modern building that will promote collaborative and active learning. I am proud to see this project moving forward to make lives better for New Westminster students and their families.”

Judy Darcy MLA for New Westminster and Minister of Mental Health and Addictions –

“I am so pleased that nearly 2,000 students will soon have an amazing new school to call their own. A safe, state-of-the-art New Westminster Secondary School will create a new vibrancy for students and families, and it will be a fantastic asset for our community for decades to come.”



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