

Capital Projects

In order to ensure that our students can learn and grow in modern and safe spaces, and that our staff can collaborate as they introduce updated and current curriculum, we need to keep planning and building the spaces that enable that. It's about making sure work, learning and playing spaces support the goals of our whole school communities ... and that requires collaboration across many agencies and partner groups as we look at our Capital Projects.

DISTRICT GOAL: Implement the District's long Range Facilities Plan

Objectives	Key Results
<p>To ensure the district is equipped with modern, safe and comfortable learning environments by designing and constructing facilities that meet the district's needs.</p>	<p>The key result for this objective will be to measure the delivery of the capital project against the approved schedule and budget provided to us by the Ministry of Education.</p> <p>The current Major capital projects are the replacement of the New West secondary school as well as the replacement of Richard McBride elementary.</p> <p>The NWSS Project is nearing completion with a targeted occupancy in the 2020-2021 academic year. The occupancy has been delayed from September 2020 due to the COVID 19 pandemic and the effects from supply chain and construction site personnel issues.</p> <p>Richard McBride Elementary is just entering the construction phase. The anticipated completion and occupancy are anticipated to be December 2021.</p> <p>Delivered by: Ongoing</p>
<p>To continue to work with partner groups – particularly the Ministry of Education and the City of New Westminster regarding potential facilities</p>	<p>The District continues to face a rapid growth of expansion where we anticipate having well over 8,000 students by 2041. The District presently does not have sufficient capacity within existing buildings to accommodate this expected level of growth. We are guided by our long range facilities plan.</p> <p>To address this objective, the district will:</p> <p>Continue to submit as part of the 5 year capital plan, identified projects to meet growth demands either through expansion programs and new facilities. This includes plans to acquire bare sites for future development.</p> <p>Work with the City of New Westminster to identify suitable sites that are consistent with the official community plans.</p>

<p>expansion and/or land acquisition opportunities that will meet the needs of our long range facilities plan.</p> <p>To ensure students will be able to learn in right-sized facilities that are in reasonable proximity to their homes</p>	<p>Continue to monitor and evaluate student enrolment growth and development in the City which attracts a greater number of new families.</p> <p>Continue to update the long range facilities plan for new information.</p> <p>Further included in this goal is working with partner groups and the Ministry of Education on the provision so physical space for increased child care facilities. Often, the provision of these spaces is a joint partnership across ministries, city partners and agencies. To address this initiative, the district will:</p> <p>Includes requests of child care space in our request for replacement or new projects and</p> <p>Work with external funding partners to meet the demands of the community</p> <p>An area for success is the District was involved in installing nearly 50 childcare spaces at Queensborough Middle School through a partnership project with the City of New Westminster. Other partnerships include the Neighbourhood Learning Centre space approved at Richard McBride Elementary including space for infant and toddler day care programs.</p> <p>Delivered by: Ongoing</p>
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DISTRICT GOAL: Develop an environmental strategy and climate action plan, and provide leadership in environmental education

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<p>To continue construction projects will help guide the district toward our environmental and climate action goals.</p>	<p>Climate action is a growing issue that we must all play a part in. While building facilities which are environmentally friendly is only one of the first steps in developing a climate action strategy, it remains an important aspect of the work. This is, however, restricted by government funding for these significant improvements and allocation of funding for new capital projects.</p> <p>To address this objective, to the extent possible, we will:</p> <p>Include as part of our site development on new and replacement projects, a commitment and strategy for alternate transportation (walking, cycling, carpooling and/or use of electric vehicle usage);</p> <p>Designing, and obtaining funding for, LEED Gold specifications for our new facilities;</p> <p>Contemplating the most efficient systems available at the time of building (budget and government approval dependent) when it comes to heating and cooling, other mechanical aspects and glazing.</p> <p>Delivered by: Ongoing</p>