



**DURHAM CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**
Learning and Living in Faith

Memorandum

To: Board of Trustees
From: Gerard Winn, Director of Education
Date: September 23, 2024
Subject: **Facilities Services Summer Capital Updates**
Origin: Scott Grieve, Superintendent of Business, Finance and Facilities Services

Purpose

To provide the Board of Trustees with updates regarding the Capital Program.

Background

On December 18, 2023, DCDSB staff presented to the board the Capital Renewal Program Priorities 2023-2026 report. This report identified the available funding provided by the Ministry for School Renewal Allocation and School Condition Improvement.

School Renewal Allocation (SRA)

- The Pupil Accommodation Grants for facility renewal called the School Renewal Allocation (SRA) is received annually from the Ministry of Education based on the age and square footage of all schools that the Board operates.

The approximate available budget for 2023-2024 was **\$3,202,497**.

School Condition Improvement (SCI)

- School Condition Improvement (SCI) funding grants are based on the requirements for renewal of building systems and components that are identified in third-party assessments carried out by VFA asset management software company on a five-year basis. This summer, the VFA assessments for 19 buildings has been completed and the remaining 26 schools are planned for September 2025.

The approximate available budget for 2023-2024 was **\$5,297,165**.

Summary of Projects

From January 2024 to September 2024 DCDSB staff can report the following highlights:

- **44** Projects have been competitively bid upon and awarded. This includes group tendered projects.
- SRA and SCI Funds were committed to the following categories of projects:
 - 1 Roof replacement (see attachment for picture)
 - 3 Roof & Eavestrough restorations
 - 1 new field and running track. (see attachment for picture)
 - 1 new driveway development and new pylon sign.
 - 1 field restoration project
 - 1 exterior door replacement
 - 3 outdoor kindergarten spaces (see attachment for picture)
 - 3 outdoor classrooms
 - 5 paving and concrete projects across the system (see attachment for picture)
 - 6 High School stage improvement projects (On hold due high tender price)
 - 1 Full chiller replacements (see attachment for picture)
 - 2 Full boiler replacements
 - 11 Full school interior LED replacement projects
 - 1 Building Automation System (BAS) upgrades
 - Re-design Paul Dwyer Annex to accommodate 850 King Steet west Continuing Education Program.
 - Giffard Center Breezeway demolition.
 - 1 office area redesign.
 - 1 Classroom re-design to convert to workshop (welding) classroom.

As the projects are completed, they provide the following benefits:

- Enhanced learning and childcare spaces for students;
- Increase in natural ventilation availability across the system;
- Increased comfort control capability and thermal properties of the systems;
- Reduction in energy costs across the board;
- Improved equipment for maintenance by custodial and maintenance staff;
- LED and Energy efficient Boiler replacements provide additional incentives to help fund further energy savings initiatives.
- Improve safety and healthy working environment.

Capital Priorities Funding

In addition to SCI and SRA funding, DCDSB has also received Ministry funding to support new school spaces for New Kedron #1 Catholic Elementary School and a six classroom addition to St. Kateri Tekakwitha Catholic School.

- St. Kateri Tekakwitha CS Addition funding of **\$3,353,400**
- Kedron #1 Catholic Elementary School funding of **\$27,574,884.**

St. Kateri Tekakwitha CS addition is under design and is expected to be ready for tendering by December, with construction beginning around March break. It is anticipated to be completed by the end of summer for student accommodation in September 2025.

Kedron #1 Catholic Elementary School funding has been approved and staff are working with consultants on designs, site planning and the land acquisition with the developer.

Updates on already approved projects (Monsignor Paul Dwyer and Seaton #1) will be provided at the October Board meeting.

Next Steps

Board staff will be bringing a report to Board in December of the list of 2024-2025 projects.

GW/SG/PV/tc
Attachment

Attachment – Summer Capital Update

New kindergarten yard



New Field & Track at John Pereyma



Breezeway Demolish and Restoration



Roof replacement at St. John XXIII



Boiler replacement at All Saints



LED lighting upgrades

