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Update on the renewal of Espanola High School

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I would like to give you an update on our application to the Ministry of Education for funding to renew Espanola High School to accommodate two distinct schools – A.B. Ellis Public School (JK to Grade 8) and Espanola High School (Grade 9 to 12).

The Ministry of Education recently advised us that our request for funding to renew Espanola High School will be considered in the spring. Confirmation of funding will be announced in late March / early April.

We remain confident that we will secure funding to proceed with the renewal of the Espanola High School site. We will, however, have to change our timelines.

Once we receive funding, we will bring a plan to the Board, including architectural renderings, for approval. We will then proceed with a second public information session where we will share the architectural renderings with the Espanola community.

We expect to begin work on the Espanola High School site in the summer of 2014. The anticipated completion date will be confirmed when we have more information.

We appreciate the input that we received from the Espanola community when we met on September 19, 2013. We welcome this opportunity to inform you of the status of the project, including the new timelines.

Sincerely,

Norm Blaseg

Director of Education