



Capital and Accommodation Plan Update

February 1, 2022
Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

Manitoulin Island Planning Area

For 2021-2022 Fiscal Year:

- *Subject to Ministry of Education approval to proceed, implement the childcare project at Little Current Public School.*

New Sudbury Planning Area

For 2021-2022 Fiscal Year:

Revitalize Churchill Public School to accommodate JK - Grade 6 students from Churchill Public School and Cyril Varney Public School.

For 2022-2023 Fiscal Year:

Finalize the construction of the new French Immersion JK - 6 school at Lasalle Secondary School site in New Sudbury to accommodate students from Carl A. Nesbitt Public School, Ernie Checkeris Public School and Westmount Avenue Public School.

Valley North Planning Area

For 2022-2023 Fiscal Year:

Rightsize Levack Public School.

New Sudbury Planning Area

*New French Immersion JK – 6 school, on Lasalle Secondary
School site*

Background

On August 4th, 2017, the Rainbow District School Board received the approval to proceed from the Ministry of Education, for the construction of a new 387 pupil place elementary school with three rooms of child care and an EarlyON Child and Family program room.

Construction Schedule

Construction (groundbreaking) occurred in July 2020.

School occupancy is scheduled for March 2023.

Ministry of Education Funding

<i>August 4, 2017</i>	<i>Original Funding</i>	<i>\$12,577,973</i>
<i>October 3, 2019</i>	<i>Additional Funding</i>	<i>\$952,131</i>
<i>June 11, 2021</i>	<i>Additional Funding</i>	<i>\$634,076</i>
	<i>Total</i>	<i>\$14,164,180</i>

Summary

<i>Construction Budget</i>	<i>\$14,164,180</i>
<i>Estimated Construction Costs</i>	<i>\$16,364,180</i>
<i>Estimated short fall</i>	<i>\$2,200,000</i>

Proceeds of Disposition Reserve

- *The revenue generated from the sale of surplus school properties are accumulated in a Proceeds of Disposition Reserve.*
- *This is a restricted reserve.*
- *Per the Ministry of Education POD Policy.*
 - *POD must be used for the repair or replacement of components within a school; similar to the School Condition Improvement (SCI) funding.*

And/Or

- *School boards may use POD as a source of funding for major capital projects.*

Proceeds of Disposition Reserve

- *Currently the Ministry of Education has been requesting through its Capital Branch, that school boards partner with the ministry by committing supplemental capital funding from the school board's Proceeds of Disposition Reserve.*
- *The current balance of the RDSB POD reserve is \$1.1 million.*
- *This balance is projected to increase as the surplus school properties in New Sudbury are sold.*

Recommendation

That Rainbow District School Board allocate supplemental capital funding from the Proceeds of Disposition Reserve to complete the construction of the new JK-6 French Immersion elementary school in New Sudbury.