

AR 57835

February 18, 2025

Patricia Bolger
Chair
Calgary Board of Education
Main Office – Education Centre
1221 – 8 Street SW
Calgary AB T2R 0L4

Dear Patricia Bolger:

Further to the Honourable Demetrios Nicolaides, Minister of Education, and the Honourable Pete Guthrie's, Minister of Infrastructure, April 17, 2024, letter, I am pleased to advise the Calgary Public School Division that the New School in Evanston Project has been assessed and will be included in the upcoming public-private partnership (P3) school bundle 6.

Infrastructure determined that the P3 delivery method will provide the best value-for-money for this school on a lifecycle basis, and Treasury Board approved the recommendation in January 2025.

Procurement of P3 school bundle 6 is expected to commence in February 2025, with construction to commence in 2026 and a target construction completion date anticipated in the first quarter of 2028.

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Thank you to you and your staff for your continued collaboration with Infrastructure and Education. I look forward to the successful and timely completion of these projects.

Sincerely,



Cathy Maniego
Acting Deputy Minister

Attachment – April 17, 2024, Alberta Education Letter

cc: Lora Pillipow
Deputy Minister, Education

Joanne Pitman
Superintendent of Schools



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April 17, 2024

Ms. Laura Hack
Board Chair
Calgary Board of Education
1221 - 8 Street SW
Calgary AB T2R 0L4

Dear Ms. Hack:

On behalf of the Government of Alberta, we are pleased to advise you of the following project approvals for the Calgary Board of Education as part of the school capital approval announcements on March 1, 2024.

Full Funding Approval

Project Name	Approval Year	Grade Configuration	Opening/Final Capacity
New School in Evanston	2024	K-4	650

We are also pleased to advise you that this project is approved to receive playground funding of up to \$250,000. This funding is intended to assist with the provision of playgrounds, and we expect the funds will supplement the school community's existing fundraising efforts. Further details regarding this funding, including reporting requirements and funding disbursement, can be found in the *School Capital Manual*.

Alberta Infrastructure is responsible for the delivery of this project; however, a final decision has not been made regarding the delivery method. Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Education staff will contact your administration in the following weeks to initiate the collaborative development of this project.

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Design Funding Approval

Project Name	Approval Year	Grade Configuration	Opening/Final Capacity
New School in Cornerstone	2024	10-12	1,810
New School in Redstone	2024	K-4	590
Modernization of Annie Gale School	2026	6-9	640

Alberta Infrastructure is responsible for the delivery of these projects; however, a final decision has not been made regarding their delivery method. Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Education staff will contact your administration in the following weeks to initiate the collaborative development of these projects.

We invite you to explore innovative partnerships that will result in improvements to program quality and the efficient use of resources. To ensure that the projects are not delayed, all partnerships should be in place before design work starts. We encourage your school division staff to continue working with Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Education staff, who are available to provide assistance and guidance as needed.

Planning Funding Approval

Project Name	Approval Year	Grade Configuration	Opening/Final Capacity
New School in Saddle Ridge	2026	5-9	925

Alberta Education will proceed with an initial payment of \$100,000 to your school jurisdiction for this planning project in the approval year indicated above. Please note, final payments will follow once proof of project completion and payment of expenses have been submitted. We encourage your school jurisdiction staff to continue working with Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Education staff, who are available to provide assistance and guidance as needed.

Planning funds are intended to support site readiness for priority projects, with the goal of clarifying the anticipated scope, schedule, and cost of a project. Alberta Infrastructure is responsible for retaining site investigation consultants. Additional details on planning funding and the capital planning process can be found in the *School Capital Manual*.

School jurisdictions are not required to complete every stage for each project (i.e., pre-planning, planning, design) to be eligible for construction funding. Depending on the need, readiness, and ability to complete the required steps before construction, projects may accelerate at different rates.

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Although this does not constitute full project approval, this investment represents a commitment to this project as a high-priority need. Planning funds are intended to allow for further development of project scope and site investigation work and to help clarify potential risks and identify mitigating strategies and costs. The goal is to remove barriers and better position the project for consideration of design and construction approval in a future budget cycle.

Your Alberta Infrastructure contact for these projects is Gayraj Acharya, Director, Project Delivery, Learning Facilities Branch, who can be reached at gayraj.acharya@gov.ab.ca or 780-932-5355 (toll-free by first dialling 310-0000).

Your Alberta Education contact is Allison Matichuk, Stakeholder Management, Capital Planning, who can be reached at allison.matichuk@gov.ab.ca or 780-643-1453.

We look forward to the successful and timely completion of these projects.

Sincerely,



Demetrios Nicolaides
Minister of Education



Pete Guthrie
Minister of Infrastructure

cc: Joanne Pitman, Superintendent