

**report to
Board of Trustees****Construction Projects Status Report**

Date	September 24, 2024
Meeting Type	Regular Meeting, Public Agenda
To	Board of Trustees
From	Joanne Pitman Chief Superintendent of Schools
Purpose	Information
Originator	Dany Breton, Superintendent, Facilities and Environmental Services
Governance Policy Reference	Operational Expectations OE-7: Communication With and Support for the Board OE-9: Facilities
Resource Person(s)	Trevor Fenton, Director, Facility Projects David Jaimes, Project Manager, Facility Projects

1 | Recommendation

This report is being provided for information to the Board of Trustees. No decision is required at this time.

2 | Issue

The Chief Superintendent is required to provide the Board of Trustees with an update regarding the project status of new schools, facility modernizations and Modular Classroom Program (MCP) projects currently under development or construction.



3 | Background

The Calgary Board of Education (CBE) has received approval for full construction on two new school construction projects and two modernizations, and design-only approval for two new schools and one modernization. Additionally, “planning” activities are approved for one new school, while “pre-planning” activities are approved for two modernizations.

On March 4, 2022, the Government of Alberta announced the approval of a middle school for Evanston. On December 14, 2022, Alberta Infrastructure advised that Evanston middle school will be delivered via a design-build delivery method. The design-build contract was awarded in November 2023 and construction commenced on April 25, 2024.

On November 29, 2022, the Board of Trustees approved the closure of the Louise Dean Centre at Kensington School effective June 28, 2024 for the purpose of relocation to Jack James High School (JJHS). Modernization and expansion of JJHS is required to accommodate the Louise Dean program. Phase 1 construction was completed on August 25, 2023. Phase 2 construction is currently underway and nearing completion. Since construction could not be completed for the start of the 2024-25 school year, the Louise Dean Centre will continue to operate from Kensington School until construction is complete and the program can be fully relocated, which is anticipated to occur in Fall 2024.

On March 1, 2023, the Government of Alberta announced the approval for full construction of the modernization of John G. Diefenbaker High School. Alberta Infrastructure will deliver the modernization project at John G. Diefenbaker with an approved construction budget of \$33.1M and \$2.5M for hazardous materials abatement. A report outlining pre-design findings from stakeholder engagement and consultant site reviews was issued in December 2023 for assessment of project scope. On April 16, 2024, Alberta Education granted approval to extend project timelines to allow for additional planning activities that will further evaluate the project scope prior to proceeding with design.

On March 1, 2023, the Government of Alberta announced the approval for “Planning” of the modernization of Annie Gale School and a new high school in the community of Cornerstone. On March 1, 2024, both projects received approval for design-only. On August 8, 2024 approval was received from Alberta Education to increase the capacity of Cornerstone from 1,800 to 2,400 students. Work is underway with primary stakeholders to gather feedback and identify needs in advance of design work starting later this year.

On March 1, 2023, the Government of Alberta announced the approval for “Pre-Planning” of modernizations at A.E. Cross School and Sir John A. MacDonald School. On February 7, 2024, funding approval was received for these projects. Work is underway to conduct tasks associated with this project phase.

On March 1, 2023, the Government of Alberta announced the approval for “Pre-Planning” of a new middle school located in the community of Saddle Ridge. On March 1, 2024, the project was advanced from the pre-planning to planning phase.

Efforts are underway to secure consulting services to complete the approved planning studies and analysis.

On March 1, 2024, the Alberta Government announced design and construction approval for a new elementary school in the community of Evanston, and design-only approval for a new elementary school in the community of Redstone. Alberta Infrastructure commenced Pre-Design work for Evanston elementary on August 6, 2024. Work for Redstone elementary will start upon confirmation from Alberta Infrastructure on next steps.

The MCP provides school jurisdictions with modular classrooms, modular/portable unit relocations and demolitions to assist school jurisdictions with the accommodation of students on an urgent basis. On March 31, 2023, as a part of the 2023-24 MCP, Alberta Education provided approval for the relocation of five and the demolition of 11 modular classrooms. On March 14, 2024, as part of the 2024-25 MCP, Alberta Education approved 12 new and the relocation of six modular classrooms. On April 9, 2024, the CBE Board of Trustees approved the use of Capital Reserves to relocate six modular classrooms. On August 2, 2024, as a part of the 2024-25 MCP, Alberta Education provided in-year approval of an additional 35 new and the relocation of five modular classrooms. On August 26, 2024, due to the high enrolment pressures and at CBE's request, Alberta Education rescinded six of the previously approved modular demolitions from the 2023-24 MCP. In total, the CBE is currently in the process of delivering the addition of 47 new, relocation of 22 and demolition of 6 modular classrooms. A full breakdown and status update of all ongoing MCP projects is available in Attachment I.

4 | Analysis

Information on the current status of the projects under development and being administered by the CBE and Alberta Infrastructure is provided in **Attachment I**.

The locations of the various new schools and modernization capital projects under development are shown in **Attachment II**.

Attachment III provides a series of onsite photographs to visually convey the progress at Jack James High School and Evanston middle.

There are three Project Steering Committees set up for the following projects:

- Louise Dean Centre Relocation;
- Evanston Middle School; and
- John G. Diefenbaker Modernization

Steering committees for upcoming new schools will be set up upon commencement of the design phase.

5 | Conclusion

This report provides the current update on the project status of new schools and school modernizations within the CBE, which are currently under development or construction.

It is provided to the Board of Trustees for informational purposes in compliance with Operational Expectation 7: Communication With and Support for the Board.

JOANNE PITMAN
CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I:	New/Modernized Facility Construction Status
Attachment II:	Project Location Map
Attachment III:	Construction Photos

GLOSSARY – Developed by the Board of Trustees

Board: Board of Trustees

Governance Culture: The Board defined its own work and how it will be carried out. These policies clearly state the expectations the Board has for individual and collective behaviour.

Board/Chief Superintendent Relationship: The Board defined in policy how authority is delegated to its only point of connection – the Chief Superintendent – and how the Chief Superintendent's performance will be evaluated.

Operational Expectations: These policies define both the nonnegotiable expectations and the clear boundaries within which the Chief Superintendent and staff must operate. They articulate the actions and decisions the Board would find either absolutely necessary or totally unacceptable.

Results: These are our statements of outcomes for each student in our district. The Results policies become the Chief Superintendent's and the organization's performance targets and form the basis for judging organization and Chief Superintendent's performance.

**CALGARY BOARD OF EDUCATION
NEW/MODERNIZED FACILITY CONSTRUCTION STATUS
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Building	Opening Date	Notes/Comments
41. Evanston Middle School Grades 5-9 Capacity 900 students	TBD.	Design Build – RFP Package (includes drawing package to 30% development and Performance Specifications)
		Design-Build Contract Award
		Design and Specifications
		Construction Progress
		Note: Project managed by Alberta Infrastructure. Design-build contractor mobilized to site in late April. Deep services installation underway, foundation work is complete, masonry work in progress.
42. Louise Dean Centre Relocation Grades 9-12	Fall 2024	Design and Specifications
		Construction Award
		Construction Progress
		Note: Project managed by Calgary Board of Education. Phase 1 completed on August 25, 2023. Phase 2 started on September 1, 2023. Main Floor: Daycare area complete, roofing complete, building envelope 98% complete, exterior concrete complete, mechanical roof equipment installations complete. Second floor LDC Classrooms and Kindred interior spaces: boarding and framing complete, painting and flooring complete, ceiling installation ongoing, electrical and mechanical finishing on-going. Parking lot expansion 70% complete.
43. John G. Diefenbaker School Grades 10-12 Modernization	TBD	Planning Phase
		Note: Project Managed by Alberta Infrastructure. Approved construction budget of \$33.1M plus \$2.5M for HAZMAT abatement. Pre-Design report completed in December 2023 for assessment of scope and corresponding cost estimates. Planning study underway.
44. Annie Gale School Grades 6-9 Modernization	TBD	Design and Specifications
		Note: Planning approved on March 1, 2023 and funding received on February 7, 2024. Design approval was received following a Government announcement on March 1, 2024. Consultants engaged to complete initial planning activities in advance to inform design decisions.
45. Cornerstone High School Grades 10-12 Capacity 2,400 students	TBD	Design and Specifications
		Note: Planning approved on March 1, 2023 and funding received on February 7, 2024. Design approval was received following a Government announcement on March 1, 2024. Internal engagement is ongoing. Awaiting confirmation from Alberta Infrastructure on next steps.

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Building	Opening Date	Notes/Comments	
46. A.E. Cross School Grades 7-9 Modernization	TBD	Pre-Planning Phase	5%
		Note: Pre- Planning approved on March 1, 2023. Funding approval received on February 7, 2024. Procurement of facility condition assessment is underway.	
47. Sir John A. MacDonald School Grades 6-9 Modernization	TBD	Pre-Planning Phase	5%
		Note: Pre-Planning approved on March 1, 2023 and funding received on February 7, 2024. Due to possible synergies, pre-planning activities will be conducted and analyzed concurrently with the additional planning work required to support the John G. Diefenbaker HS modernization project.	
48. Saddle Ridge Middle School Grades 5-9 Capacity 900 students	TBD	Planning Phase	5%
		Note: Pre- Planning approved on March 1, 2023 and funding received on February 7, 2024. Project was advanced to Planning phase following a Government announcement on March 1, 2024. Internal engagement ongoing.	
49. Evanston Elementary School Grades K-4 Capacity 600 students	TBD	Design and Specifications	0%
		Construction Award	0%
		Construction Progress	0%
		Note: Project announced for design and construction on March 1, 2024. Internal feedback gathering ongoing. Alberta Infrastructure commenced pre-design work on August 6, 2024.	
50. Redstone Elementary School Grades K-4 Capacity 600 students	TBD	Design and Specifications	0%
		Note: Project announced as design-only on March 1, 2024. Internal feedback gathering ongoing. Awaiting confirmation from Alberta Infrastructure on next steps.	

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MODULAR CLASSROOM PROGRAM STATUS
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Building	Number of Units	Type	Opening Date	Notes/Comments	
m1. Simons Valley School Grades K-6 Added Capacity: 100	4	Relocation	Fall 2024	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	100%
				Construction Progress	70%
				Note: Approved on March 31, 2023. Construction activities currently underway.	
m2. Ian Bazalgette School Grades 7-9 Added Capacity: 25	1	Relocation	Fall 2024	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	100%
				Construction Progress	75%
				Note: Approved on March 31, 2023. Construction activities currently underway.	
m3. Colonel Walker School Grades K-6 Reduced Capacity: 25	1	Demolition	Fall 2024	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	100%
				Construction Progress	50%
				Note: Approved on March 31, 2023. Construction activities currently underway.	
m4. WO Mitchell School Grades K-5 Reduced Capacity: 50	2	Demolition	Fall 2024	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	100%
				Construction Progress	50%
				Note: Approved on March 31, 2023. Construction activities currently underway.	
m5. Sam Livingston School Grades K-4 Reduced Capacity: 25	1	Demolition	Fall 2024	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	100%
				Construction Progress	25%
				Note: Approved on March 31, 2023. Construction activities currently underway.	
m6. Battalion Park School Grades K-6 Reduced Capacity: 25	1	Demolition	Fall 2024	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	100%
				Construction Progress	50%
				Note: Approved on March 31, 2023. Construction activities currently underway.	

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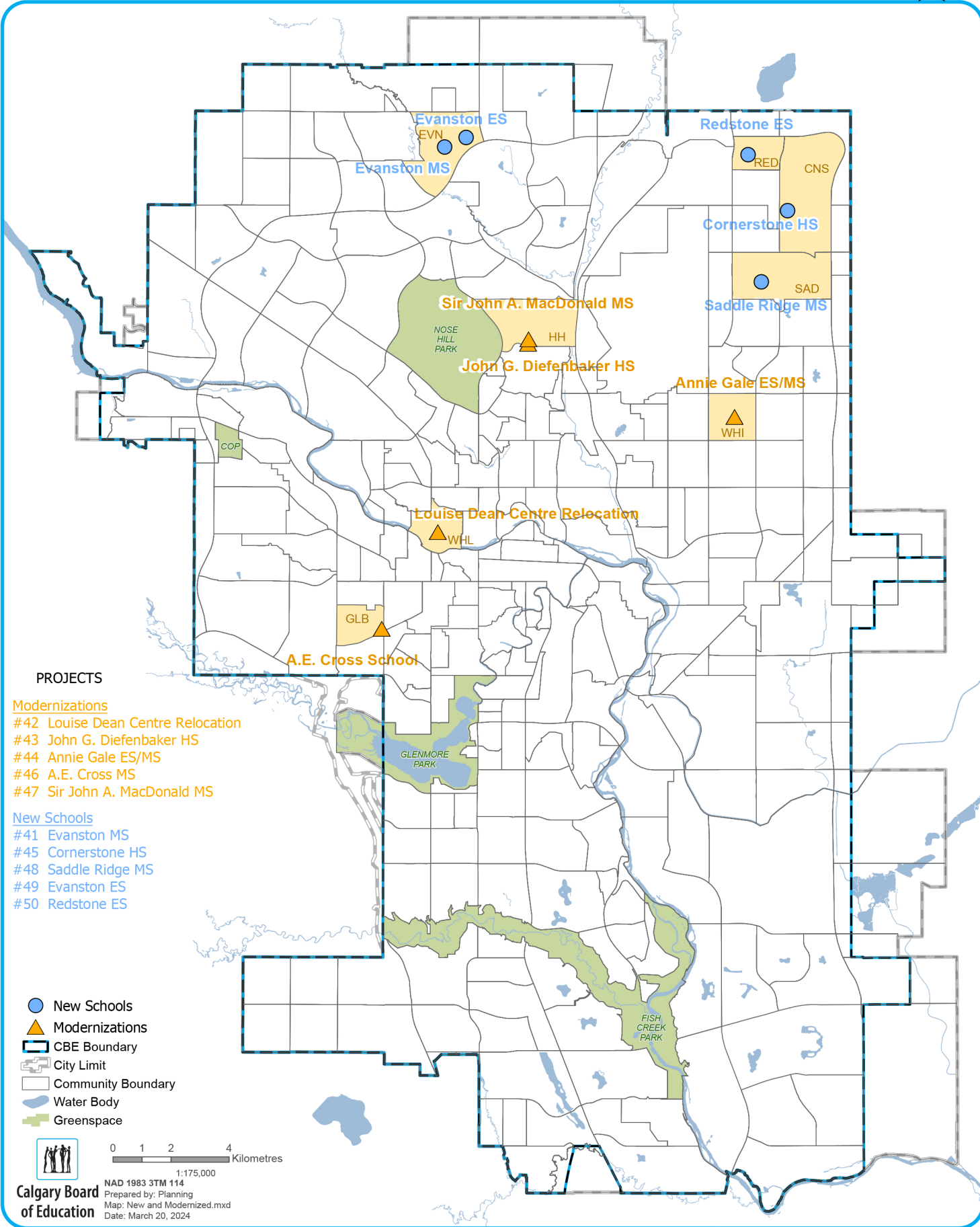
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m7. Connaught School Grades K-6 Added Capacity: 150	4	New	Winter 2025	Design and Specifications	100%
	2	Relocation		Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Four new modulares approved on March 14, 2024 and two relocated modulares approved on April 9, 2024. Design is complete. Construction contract being issued for tender in September.	
m8. Nelson Mandela HS Grades 10-12 Added Capacity: 150	6	New	Winter 2025	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on March 14, 2024. Design is complete. Construction contract being issued for tender in September.	
m9. Prairie Sky School Grades K-9 Added Capacity: 175	3+1	New	Winter 2025	Design and Specifications	100%
	4	Relocation		Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Three new modular classrooms plus one new modular washroom approved on August 2, 2024 and four relocated modulares approved on April 9, 2024. Design is complete. Construction contract being issued for tender in September.	
m10. Peter Lougheed School Grades 5-9 Added Capacity: 100	4	New	Winter 2025	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Two new modulares approved on March 31, 2024 and two new modulares approved on August 2, 2024. Design is complete. Construction contract being issued for tender in September.	
m11. Sir Winston Churchill HS Grades 10-12 Added Capacity: 150	6	Relocation	Fall 2024	Design and Specifications	100%
				Construction Award	100%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on March 14, 2024. Design proceeded ahead of March approvals, construction activities currently underway.	
m12. Joane Cardinal- Schubert HS Grades 10-12 Added Capacity: 150	5	Relocation	Spring 2025	Design and Specifications	40%
	1	New		Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on August 2, 2024. Design currently underway.	

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m13. Mahogany School Grades K-5 Added Capacity: 100	4	New	Spring 2025	Design and Specifications	40%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on August 2, 2024. Design currently underway.	
m14. North Trail HS Grades 10-12 Added Capacity: 150	6	New	Spring 2025	Design and Specifications	20%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on August 2, 2024. Design currently underway.	
m15. Hugh A. Bennett School Grades K-4 Added Capacity: 100	4	New	Spring 2025	Design and Specifications	20%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on August 2, 2024. Design currently underway.	
m16. Grant MacEwan School Grades K-6 Added Capacity: 150	6	New	Summer 2025	Design and Specifications	20%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on August 2, 2024. Design currently underway.	
m17. Colonel Irvine School Grades 5-9 Added Capacity: 100	4	New	Summer 2025	Design and Specifications	20%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on August 2, 2024. Design currently underway.	
m18. Buffalo Rubbing Stone School Grades K-5 Added Capacity: 50	2	New	Summer 2025	Design and Specifications	20%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on August 2, 2024. Design currently underway.	
M19. Kenneth D. Taylor School Grades K-6 Added Capacity: 50	2	New	Summer 2025	Design and Specifications	20%
				Construction Award	0%
				Construction Progress	0%
				Note: Approved on August 2, 2024. Design currently underway.	

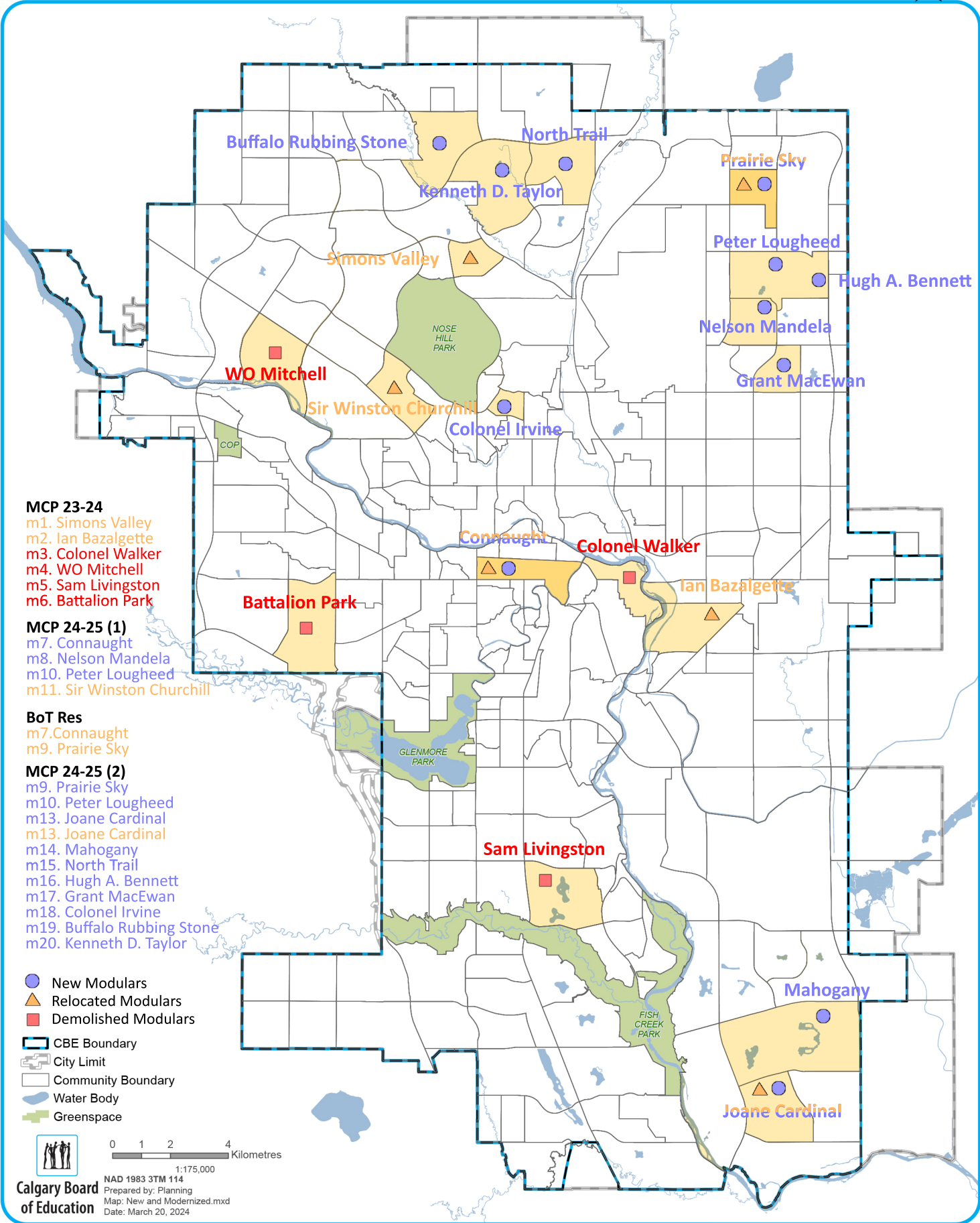
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Modular Classroom Program

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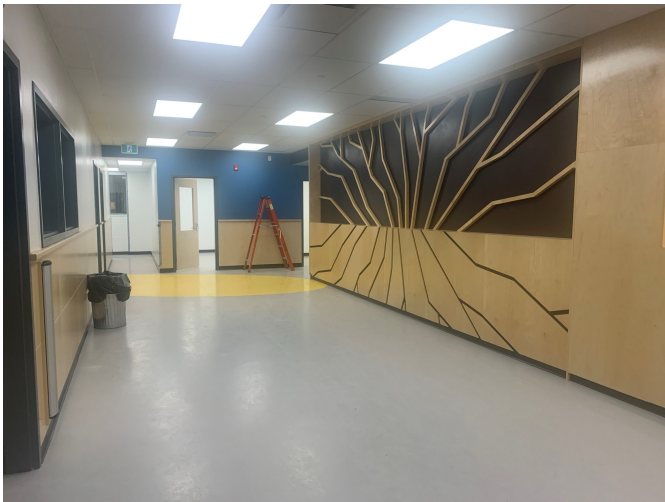
Jack James High School



Exterior



Main Floor Corridor



By Main Office



2nd Floor Flex Space

Evanston middle School



Gymnasium walls



Piles



Grade beams



Deep services