

6.0. Facilities and Transportation

6.0. CAPITAL PROJECTS, CONSTRUCTION AND TENDERS

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Legislative Reference: Public Schools Act

Capital projects are funded as per the Public Schools Finance Board Capital Support Program.

Projects approved by the Education Finance Branch must be tendered.

In compliance with provincial legislation, the Board approves and awards all construction contracts, on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Some Education Finance Branch (EFB) capital projects are required to be debentured. The EFB informs the Division which projects are to be debentured. The debenture must be approved through Board motion. Debentures are issued in the name of the school division, but the debentures and the annual payments - both principle and interest - are paid by the EFB.

Capital support categories are:

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| Capital A | New school buildings or additions to existing school buildings, including new day care facilities, approved under the Division's Five Year Capital Plan |
| Capital B | Renovation and roof replacement projects approved under the division's Five Year Capital Plan, including the conversion of existing school facilities to day care spaces; |
| Capital C | Replacement of complete systems as prioritized and approved under the Five Year Capital Plan; |
| Capital D | General grants for minor capital items to be spent at the discretion of the school division on eligible minor capital projects. Unexpended funds in the Capital D area at the end of a fiscal year may be carried forward to the next fiscal year. |

Capital D Improvements

In consultation with the Director of Operations & Infrastructure, Principals will annually submit a list of required capital improvements to the Director of Operations & Infrastructure who will submit the total list to the Superintendent. As part of the annual budget process, the Board will approve the items to be requested of the EFB.