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**TO:** Board of Trustees

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**SUBJECT:** Update on New School Construction and Modernization

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**ISSUE**

Provide an update on the progress of the 14 new schools and six modernizations currently underway.

**BACKGROUND**

Edmonton Public Schools will be opening the following schools over the next 18 months:

## Opening September 2016

- Roberta MacAdams K-6 School located in Heritage Valley
- Nellie Carlson K-9 School located in MacTaggart
- Dr. Margaret-Ann Armour K-9 School located in Ambleside

## Opening September 2017

- Michael Phair 7-9 School located in Lewis Farms
- Ivor Dent K-9 School located in the Greater Lawton Area
- Allard Neighbourhood K-9 School
- Orchards Neighbourhood K-9 School
- Granville Neighbourhood K-9 School
- Windermere Neighbourhood K-6 School
- Chappelle West Neighbourhood K-9 School
- Hudson Neighbourhood K-9 School
- Laurel Neighbourhood K-9 School
- Secord Neighbourhood K-9 School
- Walker Neighbourhood K-9 School

Edmonton Public Schools also has six schools under modernization or addition:

- Ross Sheppard High School Modernization
- Vimy Ridge Academy Modernization
- Belgravia School Modernization
- Lillian Osborne High School Addition
- Alberta School for the Deaf Modernization
- Caernarvon School Modernization

## CURRENT SITUATION

The current status of each project is as follows:

### Opening September 2016:

**Roberta MacAdams, Dr. Margaret-Ann Armour and Nellie Carlson schools** are under construction. The general contractor is Clark Builders and the projects are being managed by Alberta Infrastructure. Roberta MacAdams and Dr. Margaret-Ann Armour schools are approximately 68 per cent complete, with Nellie Carlson School at approximately 63 per cent complete. The buildings are fully enclosed and the interiors are progressing. The partition walls are underway along with the mechanical and electrical. The buildings will be ready for occupancy in July 2016.

### Opening September 2017:

**Michael Phair School** is under construction. The general contractor is Marshall Lee Construction and the project is being managed by Alberta Infrastructure. The construction is approximately 10 per cent complete. The foundations and the underground services are installed. Structural steel will begin mid-January and the building will be ready for occupancy in June 2017.

**Ivor Dent School** is being project managed by Alberta Infrastructure. The Province is in the final stages of preparing the tender for Design Builders for the project. It is anticipated that construction will begin during the summer of 2016 and be completed in July 2017.

**Allard, Orchards and Granville Neighbourhood Schools** – These schools are being project managed by Edmonton Public Schools. Allard and Orchards neighbourhood schools will be tendered to prequalified general contractors at the end of January 2016, and Granville neighbourhood school will be tendered at the beginning of February 2016. Construction is anticipated to begin in the spring and to be completed by June 2017.

**Windermere, Chappelle, Hudson, Laurel, Secord and Walker Neighbourhood Schools** - These schools are being project managed by Edmonton Public Schools. These schools will be sequentially tendered to prequalified general contractors in February/March 2016. Construction is anticipated to begin in the spring and to be completed by June 2017.

## Modernizations

**Ross Sheppard School Modernization** is being project managed by Edmonton Public Schools and is under construction. The general contractor is Chandos Construction Ltd. The project is phased and began in June 2015. The front parking lot is substantially complete. Phase I of the interior renovations is approximately 25 per cent complete with anticipated turnover within the next two months. The new gymnasium is approximately 20 per cent complete; the walls are in place and utilities are being roughed in. The overall project is anticipated to be completed in July 2018.

**Vimy Ridge Academy Modernization** is being project managed by Edmonton Public Schools and is under construction. The general contractor is Krawford Construction Inc. The project is phased and began in June 2015. The first phase of classrooms, including Foods and Industrial

Arts, has been completed and turned over to the school fully renovated. The contractor recently completed and turned over to the school Phase II, which included three classrooms and a computer lab. The contractor is currently working on Phase III, which includes the central wing of the building and is anticipated to turn this phase over within the next few months. The overall project is anticipated to be completed by November 2016.

**Belgravia School Modernization** is being project managed by Edmonton Public Schools and is substantially complete. The building is being fully used by the school with some minor deficiencies to be rectified over the next few months.

**Lillian Osborne School Addition** is being project managed by Edmonton Public Schools and is under construction. The general contractor is Binder Construction Ltd. The foundations are complete for the entire addition. The new gymnasium walls are almost complete and the underground utilities are in place. The building walls of the theatre portion are underway. Structural steel for the project is in progress. Construction is anticipated to be completed in December 2016.

**Caernarvon School Modernization** is being project managed by Edmonton Public Schools. The funding for this project was received from the Provincial Government in December 2015. The request for proposals for a consultant team to design the modernization was issued January 12, 2016. The tentative completion date for the construction is March 31, 2018.

**Alberta School for the Deaf** is being project managed by Alberta Infrastructure. The construction manager for the project is Stuart Olson. The project will be phased and the building will remain occupied during construction. Some hazardous material abatement has started and will continue for the next few months. The sub-contractor tender documents are anticipated to be issued in January 2016. Construction will begin in the spring of 2016 and is anticipated to be completed in July 2017.

## **KEY POINTS**

- Three new schools opening in 2016 are on schedule.
- Michael Phair School is under construction and on schedule.
- Ivor Dent School tender documents will be issued this month.
- Nine new schools being managed by Edmonton Public Schools are being sequentially tendered over the next two to three months and will begin construction in the spring.
- Ross Sheppard School and Vimy Ridge Academy modernizations are proceeding as phased projects.
- Lillian Osborne School addition project is proceeding as per schedule.
- Belgravia School modernization is substantially complete.
- Caernarvon School modernization is in the preliminary stages.
- Alberta School for the Deaf modernization is proceeding as a phased project.

## **ATTACHMENTS & APPENDICES**

APPENDIX I Map of New Schools and Modernizations Under Construction

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# New Schools and Modernizations -- Under Construction

