



## REPORT TO

## CORPORATE SERVICES, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

### 2020-2021 SCHOOL RELOCATIONS PLAN

*May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, Romans 15:5*

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<b>RECOMMENDATION REPORT</b>		

**Vision:**

*At Toronto Catholic we transform the world through witness, faith, innovation and action.*

**Mission:**

*The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.*

*We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.*



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## **A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Due to the nature and scope of various Capital and Renewal projects commencing in the 2020-2021 school year, the following schools will require relocation to other school sites for the duration of each project as detailed in the body of this report.

- Dante Alighieri
- Loretto Abbey
- St. Leo
- Holy Angels
- St. Antoine Daniel
- St. Matthias

The need and the suggested site for relocation is provided in this report. Follow up reports with required costing, relocation details and transportation impacts will be provided individually following staff and community information sessions.

The Communications department will work with the Planning and Capital Development and Asset Renewal departments to maintain regular communication with the respective school communities throughout their related projects, including drafting and sharing letters with staff and parent communities when appropriate. Staff will attend a CSPC meeting at each affected school as early as possible to address initial questions and concerns surrounding the process.

Staff will form Transition committees, beginning in January, consisting of school staff, Trustees, Superintendents, CSPC Chairs, Childcare reps, Operations, Warehouse, Transportation, IT and Planning staff. TSU/TECT will be informed of upcoming relocation plans and be invited to participate in Transition committee activities.

This first communication to school communities following this report will provide a projected timeline for school relocations and construction, and any other details pertinent to the 2020-2021 school year, including transportation information. Subsequent communications will be shared throughout the school year as updates on the project become available. All school communications will also be made available on the Board website as well as

on each respective school website. The main location for local updates will be found on the respective school webpages.

All completion dates provided in this report are tentative, and are subject to change as construction progresses.

*The cumulative staff time required to prepare this report was 30 hours*

## **B. PURPOSE**

This report provides preliminary notice to school communities that will require relocation for the 2020-2021 school year.

## **C. BACKGROUND**

1. Due to the nature and scope of various Capital and Renewal projects commencing in the 2020-2021 school year, *the following schools will require relocation to other school sites* for the duration of each project.
  - Dante Alighieri
  - Loretto Abbey
  - St. Leo
  - Holy Angels
  - St. Antoine Daniel
  - St. Matthias

## **D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS**

1. *Dante Alighieri/Regina Mundi Project - Ministry approved Replacement Secondary School and Retrofit Elementary School*
  - Dante students will be relocated to the former Regina Pacis (Msgr. Fraser Norfinch) for Sept. 2020
  - Former Dante building will be retrofitted for Regina Mundi
  - Regina Mundi students will occupy retrofitted former Dante Alighieri Sept. 2021
  - Former Regina Mundi will be demolished and new Dante Alighieri will be constructed Sept. 2021 to Sept. 2023

- Resulting from the above, Msgr. Fraser Norfinch and all other uses currently occupying the former Regina Pacis will be relocated to the former St. Philip Neri building.

2. ***Loretto Abbey Project – Major renewal of HVAC, Boiler systems, Electrical System Upgrade***

- The existing steam heating plant is in critical condition and requires urgent replacement. Maintenance staff are diligently working to keep the system operational for the 2019-2020 school year.
- It is no longer an option to continue another year with the current system; as a result Loretto Abbey students will be relocated to the former Nelson A Boylen SS for Sept. 2020 for a period of approximately 18 months.
- The relocation of students presents an opportunity to do other needed renewal work in the building, such as fire alarm upgrade, new BAS (Building Automation System), nutrition room upgrade, lighting upgrades, building envelope repairs, interior finishes (floors, walls and ceiling), window replacement and installation of A/C in classrooms (pending assessment of feasibility).
- Loretto Abbey was recently #4 on the Capital Priorities list, which proposes an addition/retrofit of the existing building. Although Capital funding has not yet been secured for the addition, Renewal work required to facilitate the addition/retrofit will be completed during the time students are relocated so as not to require a second relocation should Capital funding for an addition be secured at a later date.
- A further building assessment will be carried out to study the vacated Convent and propose a phased program of interior alterations to provide for improved instructional spaces. It is proposed that any potential renovation work that might impact the existing school be completed during the relocation. An example of this work might be the relocation of the office to an area adjacent to the main entrance of the building.
- Nelson A Boylen SS, recently acquired from TDSB, has not been used to house students for approx. 4 years and is targeted for demolition to accommodate the construction of a new St. Fidelis (still in design phase). Demolition of Nelson Boylen and construction of the new St. Fidelis is currently anticipated to begin in March 2022.
- Renewal work is required to make the building ready to accommodate students. This work is being assessed and will be completed before the beginning of the summer months.

- There may be a need for some portable classrooms to accommodate all students however every effort will be made to provide sufficient space within the school building
3. ***St. Leo Project – Ministry approved Replacement Elementary School***
    - St. Leo students will be relocated to the former Christ the King for Sept. 2020.
    - Christ the King is a vacant school that requires minimal work to be ready to accommodate students.
    - There may be a need for some portable classrooms to accommodate all students however every effort will be made to provide sufficient space within the school building.
    - Start date for construction of the new school is dependent on receipt of Ministry of Education Approval to Proceed to tender.
  4. ***Holy Angels Project – Ministry approved Replacement Elementary School***
    - Holy Angels students will be relocated to the former Buttonwood P.S. tentatively for Sept. 2020. As this project is in early design phase, confirmation of expected construction start, which may not be until after the end of the 2020-2021 school year, will be provided by March 2020, pending date of Site Plan Approval submission and school community consultation.
    - The former Buttonwood was acquired from TDSB within the last year and requires minimal work to be ready to accommodate students.
    - There are tenants in the building with a lease expiry date of June 2020.
    - Portables will be required to accommodate students on site for the duration of construction.
  5. ***St. Antoine Daniel Project – Ministry approved Replacement Elementary School***
    - St. Antoine Daniel students will require relocation to an alternate site tentatively for Sept. 2020. As this project is in design development phase, confirmation of expected construction start, which may not be until after the end of the 2020-2021 school year, will be provided by March 2020, pending date of Site Plan Approval submission and school community consultation.
    - TCDSB is exploring the possibility of leasing a facility in the area to accommodate this need.
    - There are no sufficient spaces available in TCDSB owned buildings in the area.

- Once a relocation site is secured further detail will be provided concerning plans for occupancy.
6. ***St. Matthias Project – Ministry approved Replacement Elementary School***
- St. Matthias students will require relocation to the former Holy Redeemer tentatively for Sept. 2020. As this project is in early design phase, confirmation of expected construction start, which may not be until after the end of the 2020-2021 school year, will be provided by March 2020, pending date of Site Plan Approval submission and school community consultation.
  - Holy Redeemer is a vacant school that requires minimal work to be ready to accommodate students.
  - There may be a need for some portable classrooms to accommodate all students however every effort will be made to provide sufficient space within the school building.

## **E. IMPLEMENTATION, STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN**

1. Staff will attend CSPC meetings at each school as early as possible in January to address initial questions and concerns regarding the process for relocation.
2. Transition teams will be formed for each relocation project to address local concerns regarding required moves.
3. Information meetings will be scheduled for the school communities of Dante Alighieri, Loretto Abbey and St. Leo following Board approval of the relocation plan.
4. Communications will be shared throughout the school year as updates on each project becomes available. All school communications will also be made available on the Board website as well as each respective school website.
5. Further reports identifying funding requirements and impacts will be provided as required for each project.

## **F. STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That the general relocation plans identified in the body of this report be approved for implementation and that consultation begin on local issues with the affected school communities.