

**Ministry of Education** 

## Ministère de l'Éducation

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Brendan Browne Director of Education Toronto Catholic District School Board 80 Sheppard Avenue East Toronto, ON M2N 6E8

Dear Mr. Browne,

I am writing to inform you that the Ministry of Education has completed its detailed review of the business cases your school board submitted for consideration under the 2021-22 Capital Priorities Grant funding program.

As outlined in Memorandum 2021:B05 – Launch of 2021-22 Capital Priorities Program, including Child Care Capital Funding, business cases could have included requests for funding to support new school space construction as well as the creation of new or renovated licensed child care spaces in schools as part of the larger school capital project.

Demand for funding through the 2021-22 Capital Priorities Program was significant. Altogether, 60 school boards submitted 248 requests for funding consideration for school capital projects valued at \$2.8 billion. In addition, 37 school boards submitted 111 requests for child care capital funding of \$236.0 million for new or renovated child care rooms.

After careful review of your board's submissions, the ministry does not approve funding to support your projects through the 2021-22 Capital Priorities Program.

Ministry staff are committed to working collaboratively with your school board to provide guidance and respond to questions as your school board considers the development of future capital plans, including requests for Capital Priorities funding.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for your assistance and support throughout this process and look forward to continuing to work with your board.

Should you have any questions about Capital Priorities Program requests, please contact the Capital Analyst assigned to your board. The list can be found at https://efis.fma.csc.gov.on.ca/faab/Contact Us.htm.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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