
REPLACEMENT OF OAK BAY HIGH SCHOOL

The Greater Victoria School District is pleased to announce that on Monday, May 16, 2011 the Board of Education will be asked to approve a Capital Project Funding Agreement for the replacement of Oak Bay High School. Upon Board approval, the Capital Project Funding Agreement will be submitted for final approval by the Minister of Education.

Highlights of the proposal include:

- A Neighbourhood Learning Centre to consist of daycare, teen centre and community programming space
- A theatre to be re-established in the existing east gymnasium
- A new school designed to provide a twenty-first century learning experience for our students

The cost of the project is estimated to be \$52,000,000 plus \$12,000,000 from the Neighbourhood Learning Centre.

This building is being requested after several engineering studies have confirmed that it would be less expensive to replace the existing building with a new one than to update and seismically improve the existing structures. Board Chair Ferris stated, "After extensive consultations with the public, staff, students and the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay, including design charrettes with the architects, the new facility will enhance the education of our students." Mayor Chris Causton commented that this new project is evidence of the level of cooperation between the municipality and the school district.

It is anticipated that the new school portion could be open for September, 2013, with the theatre and fields completed by 2015.

A Press Conference will be held at 10:00 am in the Cafeteria at Oak Bay High School (East), 2151 Cranmore Road, Victoria to discuss this upcoming project.

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