



Playground Funding

DPAC Summit, November 25, 2017

Minister of Education Mandate Letter

- ▶ Fast-track enhancement to K-12 education funding.
- ▶ Review the funding formula to develop a stable and sustainable model for the K-12 education system.
- ▶ Provide additional annual funding to ensure students have the school supplies they need to succeed.
- ▶ **Create an ongoing capital fund for school playgrounds.**
- ▶ Make schools safer by accelerating the seismic upgrade program.
- ▶ Work in partnership to build and upgrade schools in every region of the province.
- ▶ Implement the new First Nations history curriculum, develop full-course offerings in Aboriginal languages and implement the educational Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission”
- ▶ Implement BC’s new school curriculum and provide new technology, lab equipment, learning material and professional development support for teachers.

Playground Funding History - 2007

- ▶ May 2007 - Ministry of Education announces playground funding support for the ActNow BC to increase physical activity
 - ▶ \$1 million to BCCPAC to support PACs to replace/rebuild playgrounds
 - ▶ \$1 million from Community Gaming Grants in 2008, 2009, 2010
- ▶ May - BCCPAC Member Survey
 - ▶ Lottery
 - ▶ 2 categories (under \$10,000 and over \$10,000)
 - ▶ \$20,000 limit
 - ▶ BCCPAC members only
 - ▶ Elementary, Middle School, K-8
 - ▶ Matching funds requirement
- ▶ September - November - 633 applications
 - ▶ 21 under \$10,000, 45 over \$10,000
 - ▶ \$11,913,889 requested

Playground Funding History - 2011

- ▶ Premier Clark announce \$8 million for playgrounds and playground upgrades for schools
 - ▶ 44 new playgrounds,
 - ▶ 100 upgraded, replaced, recently installed

- ▶ Ministry of Education amends capital project agreement with school districts to include installation of playground equipment when building an elementary school

Next Steps

- ▶ Determine needs
- ▶ Criteria Recommendations

Does your district contribute to new school playgrounds, maintenance or repair?

▶ A: Yes

▶ B: No

Eligibility -

Middle schools should be eligible for funding.

- ▶ A: Strongly Agree
- ▶ B: Somewhat Agree
- ▶ C: Neutral
- ▶ D: Somewhat Disagree
- ▶ E Strongly Disagree

Playground equipment and installation should be fully funded

- ▶ A: Strongly Agree
- ▶ B: Somewhat Agree
- ▶ C: Neutral
- ▶ D: Somewhat Disagree
- ▶ E Strongly Disagree

Priority should be given to schools who lack the ability and resources.

- ▶ A: Strongly Agree
- ▶ B: Somewhat Agree
- ▶ C: Neutral
- ▶ D: Somewhat Disagree
- ▶ E Strongly Disagree

Priority should be given to schools currently do not have a playground

- ▶ A: Strongly Agree
- ▶ B: Somewhat Agree
- ▶ C: Neutral
- ▶ D: Somewhat Disagree
- ▶ E Strongly Disagree

Schools with large populations should be eligible for a larger playground

- ▶ A: Strongly Agree
- ▶ B: Somewhat Agree
- ▶ C: Neutral
- ▶ D: Somewhat Disagree
- ▶ E Strongly Disagree