

March 13, 2025

Minister Claire Johnson, PHD  
Department of Education and Early Childhood Development  
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Minister Johnson,


We, as the Anglophone West School District Education Council, are very pleased that the building of a new elementary school to replace Liverpool Street Elementary School and Forest Hill Elementary School in Fredericton is on the horizon. This new building will be a welcome place of learning for staff and students of Fredericton's Southeast neighborhoods of Skyline Acres and Southwood Park.

While it is traditionally the case that a DEC would declare the two closing schools and properties as surplus in accordance with the *Education Act*, Section 45(2), and EECD Provincial Policies 403 (Section 6.0) and 409 (Section 6.7.8), we would like to formally request consideration for ASD-W to maintain the building and property of the current Forest Hill Elementary School once closed. We would like to use this building as a standalone location for our alternate learning center called Enterprise. Currently, Enterprise is located in a small corner of the bottom floor of Fredericton High School. With the student population of FHS on the rise and no suggestion of this slowing down and with a desire to expand and provide greater independence to the Enterprise program, we would like to make this move when the new elementary school is built, and the current Forest Hill and Liverpool elementary schools are closed. We would also use Forest Hill Elementary School as a location for offsite meeting space and storage, based on availability following use by Enterprise.

Please note that we will not continue with this request if it jeopardizes the Liverpool/Forest Hill replacement project and land acquisition. The new school remains our priority.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Thomas Geburt  
Chair  
District Education Council