

Renewing General Gordon Elementary School

Key Challenges

Key challenges for renewing General Gordon School include providing a new contemporary teaching and learning facility while retaining the presence and prominence of the existing school as a valuable and iconic community landmark.

Other specific challenges include:

- The site is half of Ministry Area Standard for a school capacity of 400 students
- Dedicated parking must be incorporated on the site as required by the City of Vancouver
- The building is in very poor condition
- The basement level has very low headroom and is difficult to use
- The features of the heritage building have been substantially changed
- The main level is above grade and inaccessible for disabled/mobility impaired persons or those with strollers
- The school layout requires reconfiguration to meet today's educational needs
- The renewal plan must be implemented while keeping the school operational



A Project Definition Report (PDR) comprises a conceptual site plan and broad strokes building design. While a Project Definition Report must provide sufficient detail to allow for the development of an overall capital budget, it does not present the final layout of the school. Floor plans, room configurations, and design details will be finalized in later phases.



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RENEWAL PLAN

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