

Grande Yellowhead Public School Division



Three-Year

# Capital Plan

2026-2028

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# Preface



The Grande Yellowhead Public School Division is pleased to present its Three-Year Capital Plan for 2026 to 2028. This document outlines our priorities for capital projects over the next three years.

Each year, school divisions in Alberta submit a Three-Year Capital Plan and a ten-year forecast to Alberta Education. These plans prioritize our capital needs, communicating them to the provincial government for consideration during the infrastructure planning process.

## KEY CONSIDERATIONS

### Capital Priorities

Our Capital Plan lists essential projects, including modernizations, infrastructure upgrades, and new constructions. These priorities are submitted to the provincial government, which decides on funding and timelines.

### Funding Constraints

The Division does not receive annual capital funding for new constructions or major renovations and relies on provincial government approvals. Without government funding, projects cannot proceed.

### Timeline Flexibility

The three- and ten-year plans do not guarantee project approval or completion within these time frames. Approval processes can be lengthy, with priority projects often waiting several years for funding.

### Project Ranking

Projects are ranked by priority, but execution orders can change due to factors like cost and emergent issues. Modernization projects, for example, might proceed ahead of new constructions based on urgency.

## OUR PRIORITIES FOR 2026-28 INCLUDE:

- Niton Central School  
Full modernization for contemporary standards and energy efficiency.
- Sheldon Coates Elementary School  
Modernization to update ventilation, boilers, and interiors.
- École Jasper Elementary School  
Comprehensive modernization to upgrade heating and ventilation.
- Summitview School  
Thorough modernization of the aging facility.

Long-term priorities include gym modernizations, portable replacements, and additional classroom spaces to support our growing school communities.

We are committed to advocating for the necessary investments in our schools to create safe, innovative, and inspiring learning environments for our students.

Thank you for your interest in the Grande Yellowhead Public School Division's Capital Plan for 2026-28. We appreciate your support as we advance these crucial projects.



01

# NITON CENTRAL SCHOOL

## Full Modernization

### PROJECT OVERVIEW

We are excited to share our plans for modernizing Niton Central School, aimed at creating a more vibrant and efficient environment for our students, teachers, and the entire community.

\*NOTE: All project costs are estimated at 2024 pricing.



KEY DRIVER

**INFRASTRUCTURE  
CONDITION**

### KEY GOALS

#### Upgrade Learning Spaces

- We aim to transform Niton Central School into a state-of-the-art facility that supports 21<sup>st</sup>-century teaching and learning.

#### Enhance Energy Efficiency

- Our plan includes replacing and upgrading heating, ventilation, and vapor barriers to ensure the school operates more efficiently and sustainably.

#### Cost-Effective Operations

- By modernizing these systems, we expect to reduce the school's operational and maintenance costs, leading to significant savings year after year.



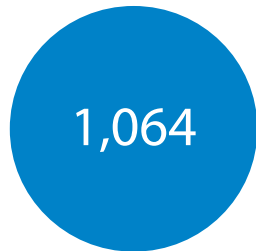
## Why is this modernization important?

The school was originally built in 1952 with multiple additions over the years. It incorporates a community-based library and a community outdoor pool, which are integral parts of the community. This modernization ensures that these valuable resources remain accessible and well-maintained for everyone.

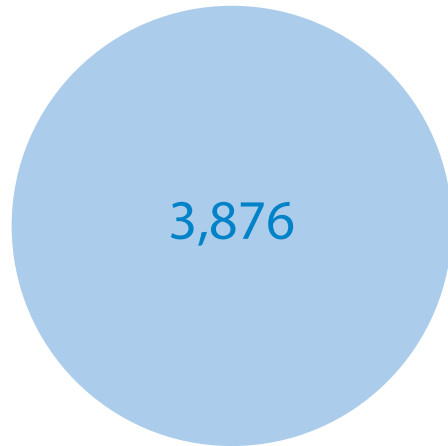


PROJECT BUDGET: \$20,640,885\*

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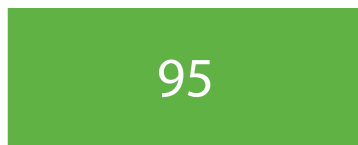


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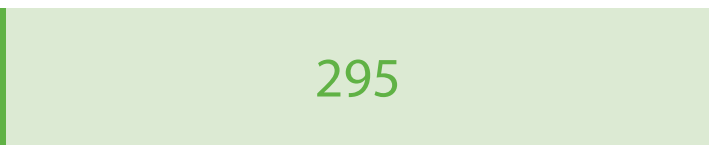
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02

# SHELDON COATES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Complete Ventilation / Boiler & Interior Modernization

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

We are excited to share our comprehensive plan for modernizing our school, which aims to enhance the learning environment and improve operational efficiency.

\*NOTE: All project costs are estimated at 2024 pricing.

KEY DRIVER  
**INFRASTRUCTURE  
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## KEY GOALS

### Expand Classroom Space

- We plan to modernize the school to provide adequate classroom space, enabling the removal of temporary portables.

### Upgrade Heating and Ventilation

- The outdated heating and ventilation systems will be completely replaced to ensure a comfortable and healthy environment.

### Improve Natural Lighting

- We will replace and add windows to bring more natural light into the school, creating a more welcoming atmosphere.

## KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- There are significant costs associated with replacing all heating and ventilation equipment, which is essential for long-term sustainability and efficiency.





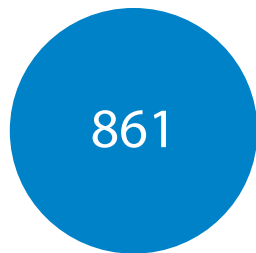
## Why is this modernization important?

This school was originally constructed in 1976, with modulares added in 2007 and 2008. A full modernization will bring the learning and teaching environment up to today's standards, potentially eliminating the need for existing modular classrooms.

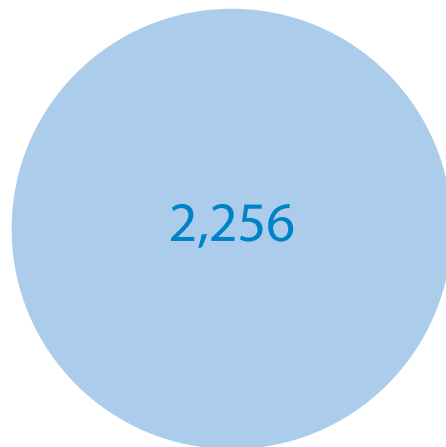


PROJECT BUDGET: \$12,594,684\*

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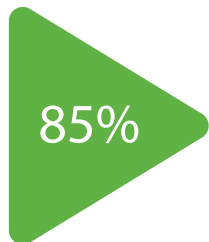


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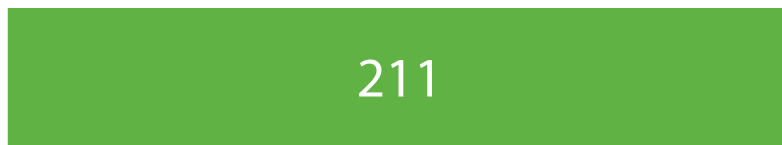


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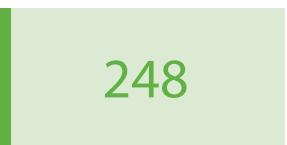
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## ÉCOLE JASPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### Full Modernization

#### PROJECT OVERVIEW

We are excited to present our plan for a comprehensive modernization of our school, focusing on upgrading essential systems to enhance the learning environment.

\*NOTE: All project costs are estimated at 2024 pricing.

KEY DRIVER  
**INFRASTRUCTURE  
CONDITION**

#### KEY GOALS

##### Upgrade Heating and Ventilation

- We will modernize the entire school by replacing outdated heating and ventilation systems.

##### Replace End-of-Life Components

- All windows and vapor barriers that have reached or exceeded their lifespan will be replaced to ensure the building's integrity and efficiency.

#### KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- All ventilation and heating components are at or past their end-of-life cycle, necessitating immediate replacement to maintain a safe and effective environment.

\* NOTE: Enrollment significantly decreased due to wildfires in summer of 2024.



## Why is this modernization important?

A full modernization is needed to bring the teaching and learning environment up to today's standards, ensuring a modern and conducive atmosphere for students and staff. The original building was constructed in 1964 with a modernization in 1998.

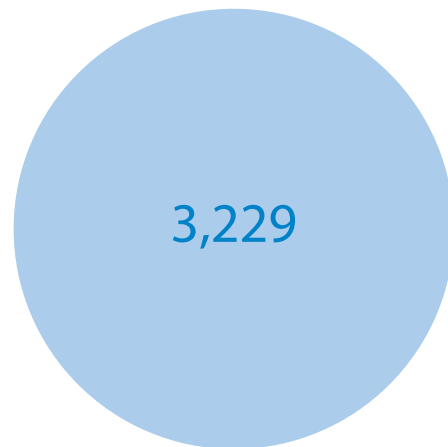


PROJECT BUDGET: \$17,456,124\*

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## SUMMITVIEW SCHOOL

### Full Modernization

#### PROJECT OVERVIEW

We are excited to share our ambitious plan for a complete modernization of our school, aimed at creating a modern and welcoming environment for everyone.

\*NOTE: All project costs are estimated at 2024 pricing.

KEY DRIVER  
**INFRASTRUCTURE  
CONDITION**

#### KEY GOALS

##### **Full Modernization**

- We plan to update all areas of the school to ensure a modern, efficient, and pleasant learning environment.

#### KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Significant costs are associated with upgrading the aging structure, but these are essential investments for the long-term benefits of the school community.





## Why is this modernization important?

The school building is aging as it was originally built in 1970 with an addition in 1981. All interior finishes at the end of their life span and rooms that lack natural light. Modernization will address these critical issues, ensuring a better environment for students and staff.

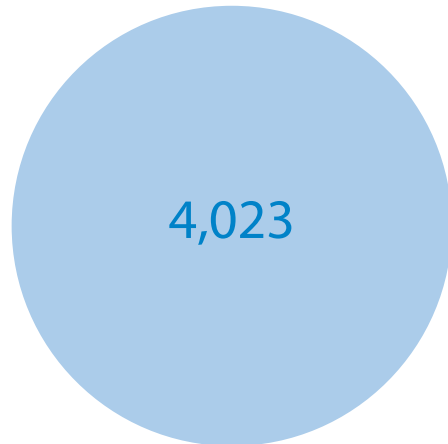


PROJECT BUDGET: \$24,150,135\*

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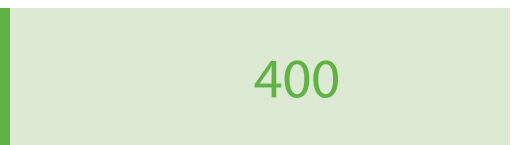
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