Home & School Special Budget Vote

Kindergarten Playground Enhancement

Home & School is proposing to allocate a portion of its fundraising budget towards a Kindergarten Playground enhancement. The additions to the playground reflect the changes to the curriculum with full-day kindergarten and involve the input and ideas from the Kindergarten teachers. Proposed enhancements include:

Improvements	Benefits
• **Sandbox** • **Magnet / chalk boards** • **Gardening area with galvanized planters** • **Storage shed** • **Re-sodding of the current grass and field area**	• Supporting full-day kindergarten's emphasis on outdoor education and inquiry based learning • The covered sandbox has been noted as an important part of the kindergarten program for sensory, measurement, social skills, and much more • Ability to store a greater range of outdoor equipment and playground toys

Illustrative examples of these improvements include:









The improvements were initially presented and approved at the November Home & School budget for a total amount of $15,250. This amount was based on preliminary estimates from TDSB that didn't take into consideration some construction requirements. Subsequent to the vote, a formalized quote was submitted with further detail and contingency, with a budget requirement of $25,640.89.

With this upwardly revised quote, we are asking for a special vote from H&S members to approve the allocation of funds to the Kindergarten Playground Enhancement.