Burke Mountain Schools
Information Session

November 9, 2017
Tonight’s Agenda

• About School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)
• Background on Burke Mountain Schools
• Taking Action
• Next Steps
• Q and A session
About School District 43

- SD43 serves Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Anmore and Belcarra.
- Approximately 30,000 students.
- 70+ schools and facilities.
- Elementary, middle, secondary.
- Projected growth in enrolment.
- Several growth areas in our school district.
Enrolment Demands
Capital Plan Progress (last few years)

Seismic Projects
• Westwood upgrade, Centennial replacement (Phase 1), Moody Middle construction, Banting Middle construction.

Expansion Projects
• Eagle Mountain Middle.
• Smiling Creek Elementary construction.

Building Envelope Projects
• Summit Middle.

Additions
• Blakeburn Elementary: 4-room detached addition.
• Glen Elementary: 4-room addition.
Progress on the Capital Plan

Supreme Court Ruling
• 38 additional classrooms (summer 2017).

Land Acquisition
• Smiling Creek, Sheffield Crown Grant, Marigold Contract.

Land Sales
• Parkland portion, Victoria Park Land Exchange, Coronation Park site, Land Sale Consultation (3604 Glen Drive, adjacent to Glen Elementary).

**Current Funding Policy
Background on Burke Mountain Schools
Burke Mountain Catchment
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4 sites & 5 schools
Securing Land for New Burke Mountain Schools

Land secured for 5 new schools on 4 sites:

• 3 elementary school sites.
• 1 secondary and middle school site.

*Northwest Vision Process

Partner projects:

• 2 joint school/park sites (City of Coquitlam).
  • Smiling Creek Elementary.
    • Community field and community centre with City of Coquitlam.
  • Middle / Secondary School site.
    • $5M from Wesbild to the City of Coquitlam for an artificial turf field/park.
• 6 acres donated by Wesbild for the third elementary school (Marigold site).
Taking Action on Burke Mountain Schools
Standard New School Construction Process

- Submit Capital Plan.
- SD submits a Project Request Fact Sheet (PRFS).
- 7 step process to receive approval to purchase land.
- SD submits an updated PRFS.
- Once preliminary support is granted SD completes a Project Development Report (PDR).
- Approval is attained with a Project Agreement (PA).
- Architect is hired; design process begins (10-12 months).
- Project is submitted for building permit (3-8 months).
- Tender process (3-6 months)
- Construction (18-36 months).
Action 1: Expediting the Process

Taking action to deliver new schools, faster.

- Frequent meetings with Ministry.
- Advocacy of the Board.
- Advocacy and support of partners.
- Completing reports prior to Ministry direction.
- Board advancing funds to begin design process.
- Where appropriate use modified repeat designs from other schools.
- Working with Municipalities to expedite permitting process.
- Working with partners for efficient use of funds.
Action 2: Smiling Creek Elementary

Taking action on the first elementary school.

- Joint school/park site.
- Approximately 7 acres.
- Coquitlam / SD43 land exchange agreement.
  - City received SD43-owned land in Victoria Park.
  - SD43 received equal amount of land (Queenston Ave).
Action 2: Smiling Creek Elementary

2015 – Taking action to expedite construction.

2015
Funding approval on Nov. 30, 2015.

2015

2016
Project put out to tender in May 2016.
Action 2: Smiling Creek Elementary

2015 – Original site photo.
Action 2: Smiling Creek Elementary

Smiling Creek sustainability project.
Action 2: Smiling Creek Elementary

2017 – A near completed school.
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Action 3: Minnekhada Middle Replacement Project Approved

Taking action on seismic replacement projects.

- **2015**
  - Ministry support.
  - No funding.

- **2016**
  - Board advances funds.
  - Design begins.

- **Feb ‘17**
  - Receive Ministry funding.

- **Mar ‘17**
  - Submit building permit.

- **Today**
  - Tender ready.
Action 3: Minnekhada Middle Replacement Project Approved

Taking action on seismic replacement projects.
Action 4: Irvine Elementary
Design Underway

Taking action on seismic replacement projects.

• Seismic replacement project.
• French Immersion program.
• All reports submitted.
• June 2017 Board motion to begin design.
• Increased capacity proposed to Ministry.
• Waiting for funding approval from Government.
• Architect selected.
Action 4: Irvine Elementary
Design Underway
Action 5: “Sheffield” Elementary Land Secured

Taking action to secure land for future schools.

- 6 acre site.
- Former Government land.
- OCP and zoning in place.
Action 5: “Sheffield” Elementary Land Secured

Taking action to secure land for future schools.

May '17
- Government land grant received.

June ‘17
- Board motion: complete Project Development Report; begin design.

Current
- Architect selected.
Action 6: “Marigold” Elementary Land Agreement

Taking action to secure land for future schools.

- 6 acre site.
- Final subdivision to be completed.
- Wesbild agreement to provide site at no cost.
Next Steps
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- **Smiling Creek** – First new elementary – September 2018
  - Catchment/registration meeting Nov. 30, 2017 at Leigh Elementary.

- **Minnekhada Middle** – Seismic replacement
  - Tender ready.
  - Approximately 2 year occupancy of new school.

- **Irvine Elementary** – Seismic replacement
  - All paperwork into Ministry.
  - Architect selected and design in progress.
  - Advocating for funding approval.

- **“Sheffield” Elementary** – Second new elementary
Middle and Secondary Schools Site
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Working in Partnership
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Working in Partnership

City of Coquitlam Role / Partnership

• Designated Joint School/Park Site in Neighbourhood Plan.
• City acquired land jointly with SD43.
• The City has prioritized the development of this site.
• The project is included in the City’s proposed 5-Year Financial Plan (2018-2022) with specific funding proposed to match timing of school development.
• Proposed City funding earmarked for this park project is $7.5 million ($5 million from Wesbild, $2.5 million in other funding).
Middle and Secondary Schools Site

Working in Partnership

City of Coquitlam Role / Partnership

- The site is proposed to include a lit turf sports field, track, park space and other park amenities and facilities.
- The City is prepared to begin participating in the planning process for the joint site once SD43 obtains approval to proceed with the school, and City resourcing will be dedicated to support this project.
- Coquitlam Council continues to support expediting of the City permitting and site development approval process for School facilities, as per the Smiling Creek Joint site.
- The City continues to explore opportunities to partner with SD43 across many sites to advance common interests and to achieve public benefits.
Advancing Schools - Next Steps

• Advocacy.
• Strong and collaborative partnerships.
• Efficient planning and construction practices.
• “Out-of-the-box” thinking for creative solutions.

We all want new schools for Burke Mountain.
Next Steps on a Middle School

Additional Information

“Census data indicates that there will be 550 middle school aged students on Burke Mountain by 2020”

550

Percentage – private school 10 % \(-55\) = 495
Percentage – Programs of Choice 20% \(-99\) = 396

Minnekhada Middle Current Population = 425
Capacity new Minnekhada school 600
2020 Projection at Minnekhada 502
\(-98\) = 298

Current students in the count \(-112\) = 186

Students to Support a new Middle School = 186
District Projections

Actual student enrolment for **2017** = 30,391

**2015** we projected 30,397 students for **2017**
= 99.9% accuracy

**2013** we projected 29,796 students for **2017**
= 98.0% accuracy

* Review projections regularly and adjust accordingly.*
We all want new schools for Burke Mountain.

....and we’re taking more action.
Action 7: “Out-of-the-box” Idea

Build a Middle/Secondary in one building as an interim measure:

- Land is owned by SD43 and City of Coquitlam.
- A partnership agreement with City of Coquitlam.
- $5M Wesbild contribution for artificial turf.
- Speeds up school opening several years earlier.
- Allows a second school to be constructed as population rises.
Preserving Middle School Philosophy

Key Parameters Based on Educational Philosophy

• Preserves middle school model.
• Maximizes physical separation between the two school populations.
• Staggered start and end times.
• Separate main administrative offices, libraries, washrooms, and other spaces for secondary and middle schools.
• Spaces can easily be converted once second school built.
• Times to use elective/exploration shared spaces will be staggered (e.g., one school in am, one in pm).
Option 2
Advancing the Middle/Secondary School Ministry of Education Support

October 20, 2017

Ivan Cecchini, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
Facilities and Planning Services
School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)
Email: lacechini@d43.bc.ca

Dear Mr. Cecchini:

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I recognize the southeast area of Coquitlam continues to experience student enrolment growth as a result of ongoing residential development, and I am pleased to hear of the District efforts to secure school sites in collaboration with the City of Coquitlam and Wesbild Holdings Ltd.

The proposal put forward by the School District to construct a combined middle and secondary school appears to be an efficient plan as an interim measure to address the space needs for middle and secondary students on Burke Mountain. As Boards of Education are responsible for making decisions regarding the operation and maintenance of schools, opening, closing and grade reconfiguration of schools within each school district, I do not have the authority to say that the Board should or should not pursue this as an option in their planning.

As you know on June 30, 2017, the Ministry of Education’s intake for the Annual Five-Year Capital Plan submissions closed. Ministry staff are currently reviewing the submissions from all 60 school districts to inform our capital planning cycle.

Over the coming months, the Ministry will work to determine priority projects in the program off:

- Seismic Mitigation;
- School Expansion;
- School Enhancement;
- School Bus Replacement;
- Building Envelope Remediation; and
- Carbon Neutral Capital Improvements.

Sincerely,

Rachelle Ray, Regional Director
Capital Delivery Branch

cc: Damien Crowell, Planning Officer, Capital Management Branch, Ministry of Education
Chris Nicholls, Secretary-Treasurer School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)
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* Combined school helps to minimize portables.  
* Green = Design. Blue = Construction  
* Subject to change.
Summary

• We all want schools as quickly as possible for our growing district.

• We have a strong history of capital project successes.

• We have strong relationships with several key partners.

• SD43 school construction is dependent on receiving Government funding and approvals.

• We all continue to advocate for school capital projects.

• We continuously monitor growth and will adjust accordingly.

• Our Board is committed to advancing funds when needed and looking at all out-of-the-box creative solutions to get schools built as soon as possible.
Coming Events and Information

• **Land Sale Public Consultation** (3604 Glen Drive)
  Tuesday, November 21st at 6:30pm at Glen Elementary

• **Catchment Area Information Meetings**
  Wednesday, November 29th in the Winslow Gym (list of potentially impacted schools will be on our website on November 17th):
  - 5:30 pm – Regular Programs
  - 7:30 pm – Programs of Choice

• **Smiling Creek Catchment Information Meeting**
  Thursday, November 30th at 7:00 pm the Leigh Elementary Gym

• **For more information visit:**
  www.sd43.bc.ca
  Twitter
  Facebook
Question and Answer Session

• Any attendee can ask a question.
• When prompted, bring your question to the microphone.
• If a line-up begins, form it down the center isle.
• Before asking your question please state your name, where you live, and any group you may be representing.
• In the interest of time, and in order to give everyone the opportunity to ask their question, state your question succinctly.
• Ask only 1 question at a time to allow others to ask questions.
• Allow others to ask a question prior to asking a second question.
• Be courteous and respectful.