Part II: Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund

What is the Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund?

The Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund is an internal fund made available from the annual School Renewal Plan, approved by the Board. The 2023-24 Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund will allocate $125,000.00 of funding per ward for a total of $1.5 million.

How to Apply for the Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund

1. To apply for Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund, complete and submit Project Request & Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund Application Form via the online form as described in Part I, Step 2.

Selection Process

1. A Selection Committee will be formed for each ward with members consisting of the local trustee, a Business Supervisory Officer, an Academic Supervisory Officer and a parent council representative from a school that has not applied for the Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund.
2. Decisions for awarding funds will be made by consensus. If a consensus cannot be reached, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) will make the final decision.
3. The criteria shown in Table 1 will be used to evaluate and rank submissions.

TABLE 1	Primary Criteria	Points
1	Socio-Economic Data	10
2	Existing Site Conditions	10
3	Existing Site Elements	10
4	Local School Planning Preparedness	10

4. Depending on the number of submissions received and a determination by the selection committee on whether to distribute the available funding to one or more schools, secondary criteria (listed in Table 2) will be used to further rank similarly high scoring schools being considered for funding.

TABLE 2	Secondary Criteria
1	Existing comparable play structure, outdoor sports court, play element, or other landscape element adjacent to the site
2	Community green space adjacent to the site
3	Access to shade on site
4	Access to natural features/play surfaces on site
5	Percentage of yard space that is hardscape versus softscape
6	Availability of partnerships/external funding

5. Projects will follow the implementation process as described in Part I.
6. Surplus funds, that are less than the value to fund the least costly outdoor element available, will be returned
7. Implementation timeline for all Playground and Schoolyard Revitalization Fund projects will be reflective of current staff capacity.