

## Public Meeting

# Metrolinx Construction Activities at Pape Avenue Junior Public School

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# Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge we are hosted on the lands of the Mississaugas of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Wendat. We also recognize the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples.

# Welcome and Introductions

**Jack Nigro**, Executive Superintendent, Learning Centre 4

**Sara Ehrhardt**, Trustee, Ward 15

**Carol Shea**, Principal, Pape Avenue Jr PS

**Maia Puccetti**, Executive Officer, Facilities and Planning

**Vladimir Tarakanov**, Senior Manager, Design and Renewal

**Patrick Mohammed**, Senior Manager, Occupational Health and Safety

**Andrew Gowdy**, System Planning Officer

**Giovanna De Girolamo**, Manager, Accommodation Planning

**Hafsa Hasan**, Planner

**Emma Moynihan**, Communications Officer

# Agenda

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

1.	Welcome and Introductions	Jack Nigro, Executive Superintendent, Learning Centre 4
2.	Opening Remarks	Sara Ehrhardt, Trustee, Ward 15
3.	What is Metrolinx doing in the area of the school and what are the potential impacts on the school?	Vladimir Tarakanov, Senior Manager, Design and Renewal
4.	How are TDSB staff working with Metrolinx?	Maia Puccetti, Executive Officer, Facilities and Planning
5.	Opportunity at the Jones Avenue Building	Andrew Gowdy, System Planning Officer
6.	Next Steps	Andrew Gowdy, System Planning Officer
7.	Feedback: Comments, Questions, and Answers	All
8.	Closing Comments and Adjournment	Jack Nigro, Executive Superintendent, Learning Centre 4

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# Opening Remarks

**Sara Ehrhardt, Trustee, Ward 15**



# **What is Metrolinx doing in the area of the school and what are the potential impacts on the school?**

**Vladimir Tarakanov, Senior Manager,  
Design and Renewal**

# Metrolinx Activity

- The construction activity will change over time.
- Activity for the next couple of years:
  - Spring 2024 – install chamber at Pape Avenue and Carlaw Avenue plaza
  - Summer 2024 – install duct bank on Pape Avenue to connect chambers at Riverdale Avenue and Langley Avenue





# Metrolinx Activity

- Fall 2024 – replace combined sewer and water main on east side of Pape Avenue
- 2025 to 2026 – install storm sewer under the school yard at the east end of the site (micro-tunnelling); reconnect the school's sewer
- Early 2026 – remove existing storm sewer under Pape Avenue and Langley Avenue
- 2026 – construction of the subway tunnel and portal structure will commence





# Potential Impacts on School Site

- Drop-off and pick-up will remain at Pape Avenue until summer 2024, then will be relocated to Riverdale Avenue
- Traffic on the streets will be re-adjusted frequently due to various construction activities
- Noise level may increase during the storm sewer demolition
- Dust level may increase during the storm sewer and private property demolition
- Vibration due to micro-tunnelling is expected to be within acceptable limits and will be further assessed



# **How are TDSB staff working with Metrolinx?**

**Maia Puccetti, Executive Officer,  
Facilities and Planning**

# How are TDSB staff working with Metrolinx?

- TDSB staff attend the Community Liaison Committee meetings with Metrolinx staff, local elected officials, school representatives and community members that occur every month.
- TDSB staff attend a regular meeting with Metrolinx staff that occurs every two weeks.
- TDSB staff attend meetings as required to review and discuss technical issues.
- Toronto Lands Corporation staff attend meetings as required to review and discuss agreements for the use of land.
- TDSB staff and Metrolinx staff exchange information on an ongoing basis.
- TDSB hires consultants to review the proposed work of Metrolinx (e.g., safety consultant, structural consultant).

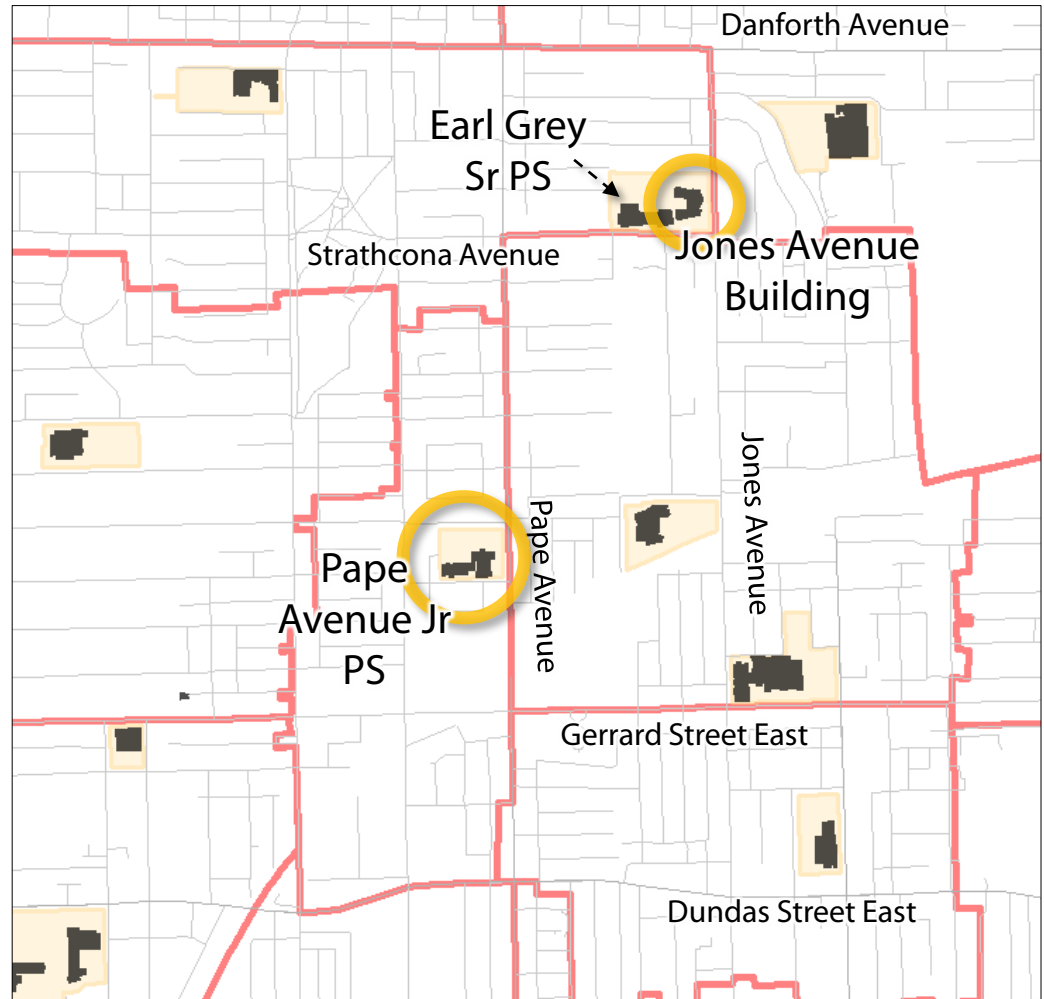


# **Opportunity at the Jones Avenue Building**

**Andrew Gowdy, System Planning Officer**

# Jones Avenue Building

- Located at 540 Jones Avenue
- Immediately adjacent to Earl Grey Sr PS
- Located 1.2 km from Pape Avenue Jr PS
- Was originally Earl Grey Public School serving JK-8
- Closed as a public school when the current Earl Grey building was constructed
- Has been used as a multi-purpose centre since 1965
- Severely damaged by fire in 2019
- Has undergone a deep retrofit and reopened in February 2024



# Jones Avenue Building





- Three-storey building
- Intended to be used as a multi-purpose centre and holding site for schools undergoing major construction or other emerging issues that require a school site to be vacated
- Current occupant in the building is Adult ESL on the third floor
- Space on the second floor has been offered to Creative Preschool to lease
- Rest of the building is empty – there is enough space for Pape Avenue Jr PS and Pape Children's House



# Jones Avenue Building

## First Floor

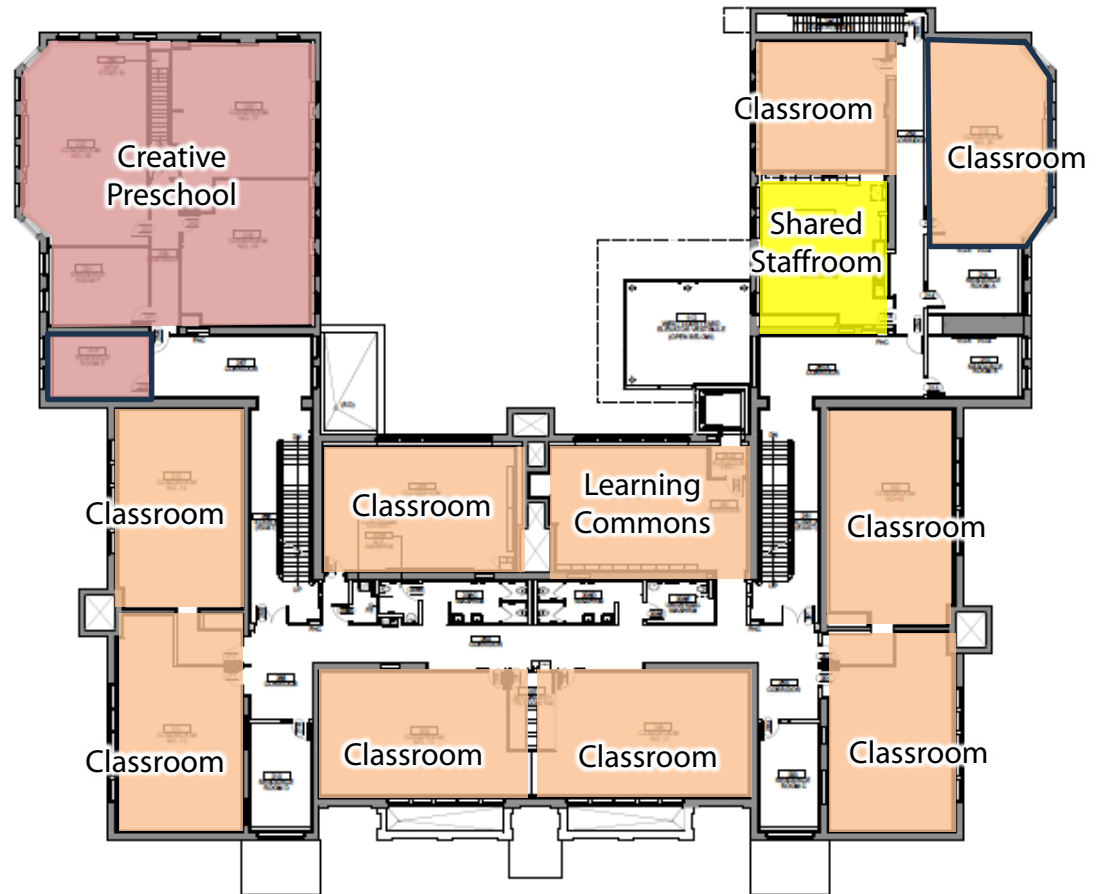






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-  Pape Children's House space
-  Creative Preschool space
-  Adult ESL space



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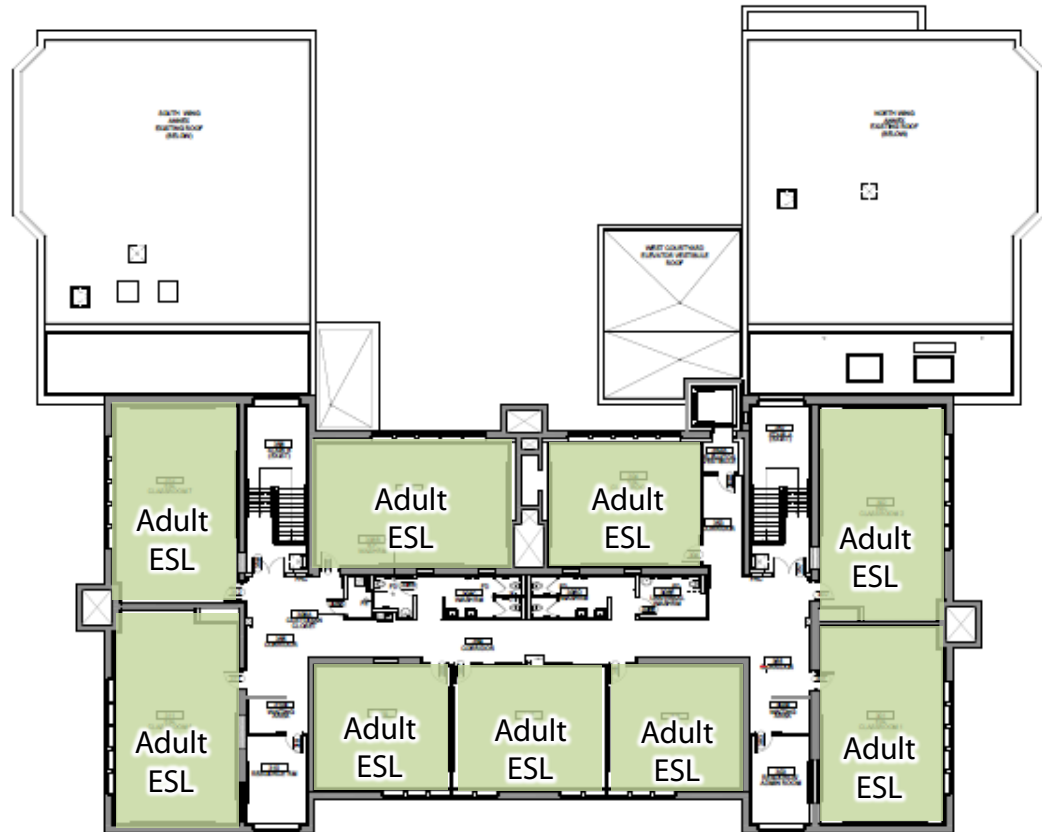
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


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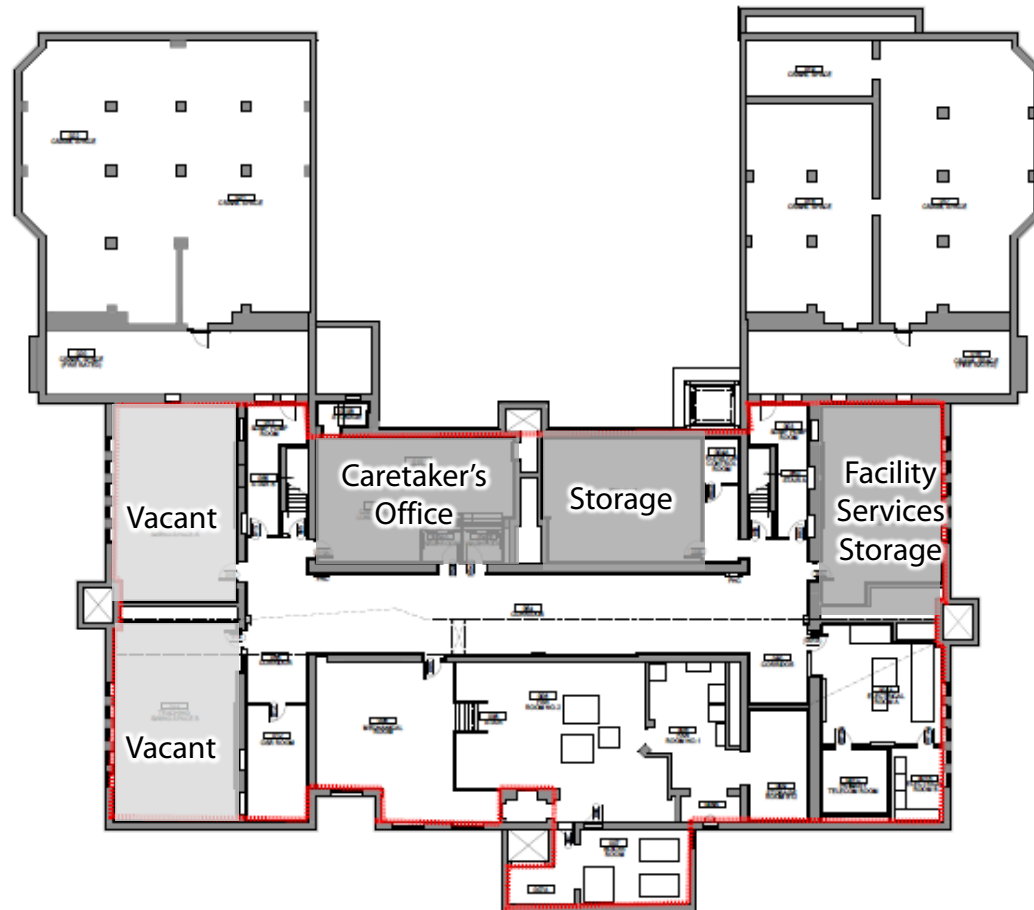
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


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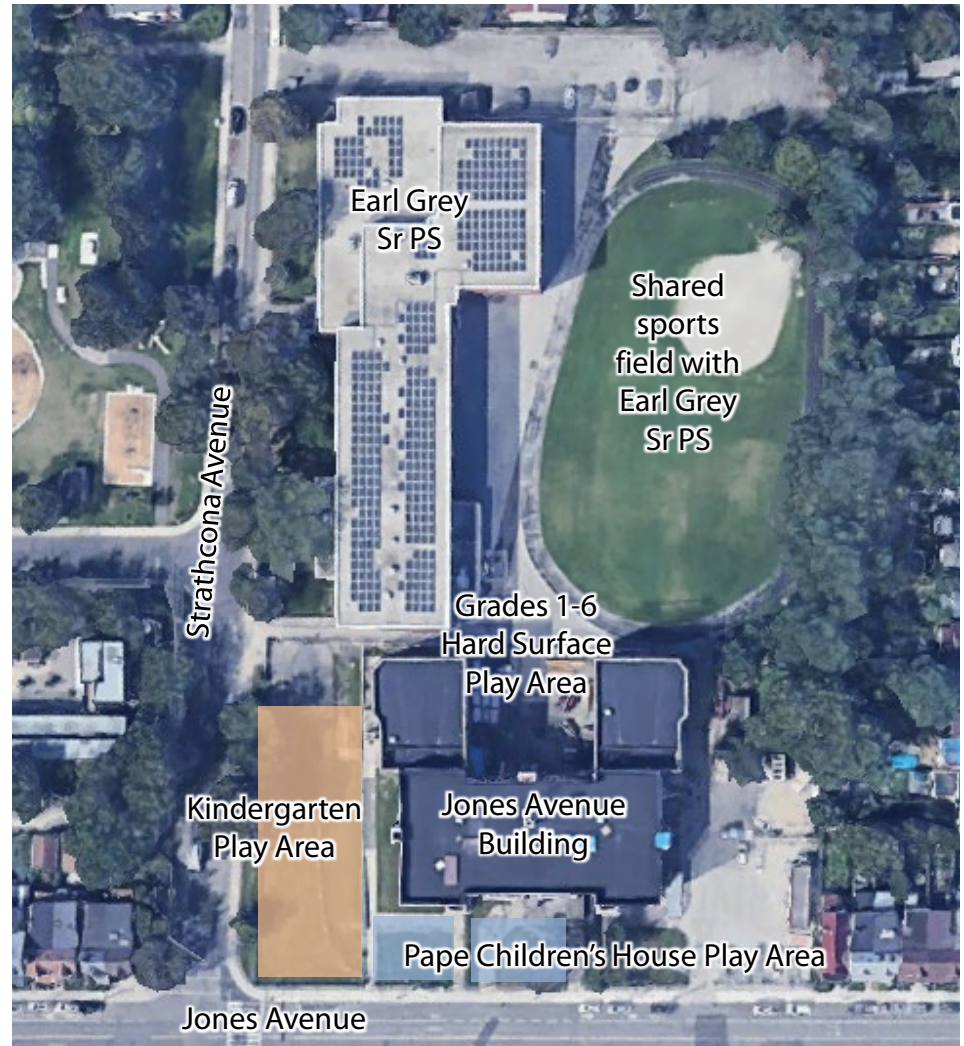
## Basement



-  Pape Avenue Jr PS space
-  Pape Children's House space
-  Creative Preschool space
-  Adult ESL space

# Jones Avenue Building

- Kindergarten play area can be built on the south side of the building (can be shared with Creative Preschool)
- Child care play area can be built at the front of the building
- Grades 1 to 6 would use the hard surface play areas in the courtyard and at the back of the building
- Pape Avenue Jr PS would share the sports field with Earl Grey Sr PS
- The pool at Earl Grey Sr PS could be used by Pape Avenue Jr PS
- The gym at Earl Grey Sr PS could be shared with Pape Avenue Jr PS

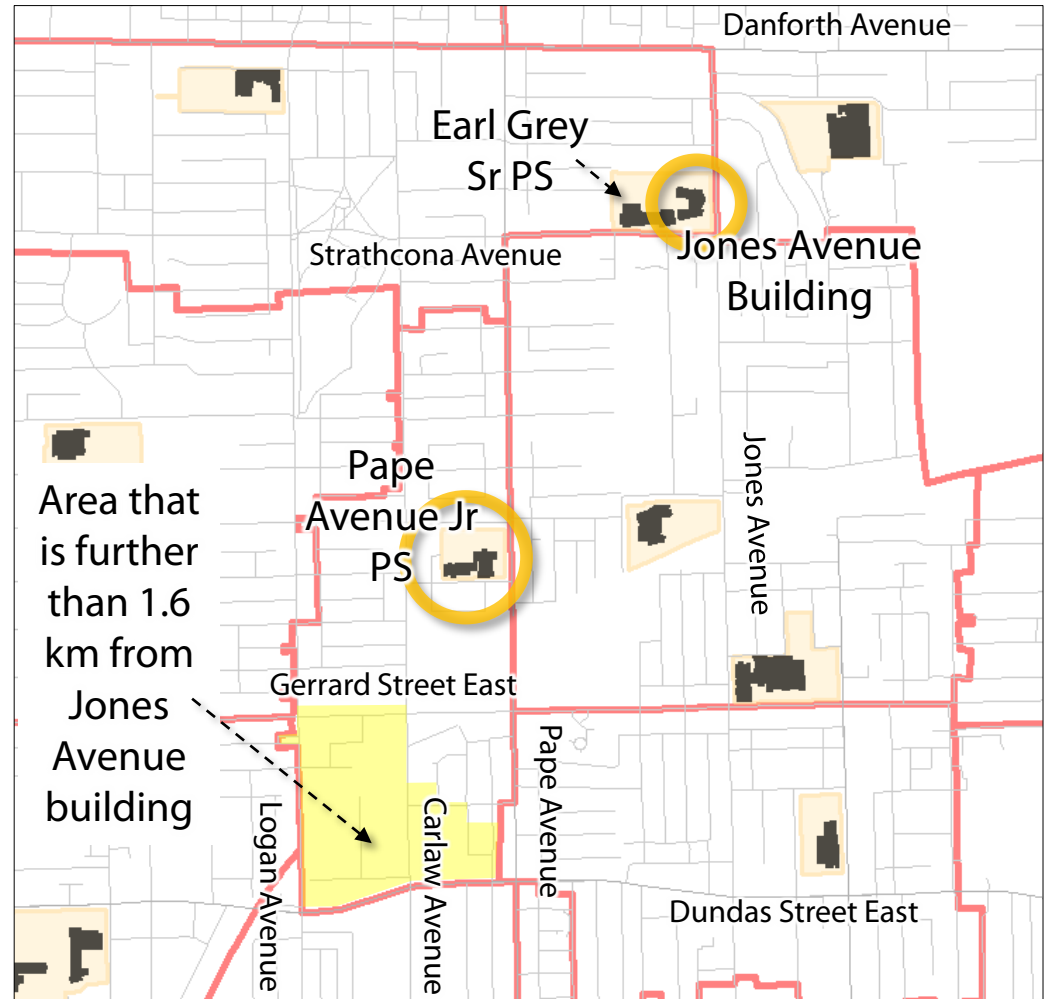


# Jones Avenue Building

- Some renovations are required:
  - Child care rooms for Pape Children's House
  - Outdoor Kindergarten play area
  - Outdoor child care play area
  - Fit up of the rooms for Creative Preschool
- Will take approximately 8 months to complete the renovations

# Transportation to Jones Avenue Building

- The TDSB has distance thresholds to determine eligibility for transportation:
  - JK-5 = 1.6 km
  - Grades 6-8 = 3.2 km
- The majority of addresses in the Pape boundary are within 1.6 km of the Jones Avenue building; students in JK-5 living at these addresses are not eligible for bussing
- There are some addresses south of Gerrard Street East that are further than 1.6 km from the Jones Avenue building; students in JK-5 living at these addresses would be eligible for bussing



## **Who will make the decision to move the school and child care to the Jones building?**

- The staff attending this meeting are the core team that is supporting the school and child care through the Metrolinx construction process. This team will develop recommendations to address emerging circumstances.
- Input from the parents and staff of the school and child care will help inform this team.
- If this team believes the school and child care should be relocated to the Jones building, the recommendation would go to our Executive Council. Executive Council is a team of the TDSB's senior most staff including the Director and Associate Directors. Jack and Maia sit on Executive Council. Executive Council would receive and discuss the recommendation and make the decision on next steps.



## **When would the school and child care move to the Jones building?**

- No decision has been made to relocate the school and the child care. The Jones building is not ready to be occupied by these groups at this time and will require renovations to accommodate them.
- It will take approximately 8 months to complete the renovations. At this point we have completed designs.
- If a decision is made to move the school and child care, the move would occur at a break in the school year (after the renovations are completed).

## **How long would the school and child care be held at the Jones building?**

- This has not been determined. It depends on how long the disruptions persist that we want to avoid at the Pape site.

## **If the school and child care are relocated to the Jones Avenue building, will the TDSB close and dispose of the Pape Avenue building?**

- No, the plan would be to return the school and child care centre to the Pape Avenue building. The Pape site is considered a core holding site where the TDSB wishes to maintain an operating neighbourhood school.
- If the school and child care centre are relocated to the Jones Avenue building, the TDSB would take the opportunity while the Pape Avenue building is empty to do a major renovation of its interior.



# Next Steps

**Andrew Gowdy, System Planning Officer**

# Next Steps

- TDSB staff will meet with school council representatives and child care representatives to review and discuss the opportunity at the Jones Avenue building – May 2024
- TDSB staff will hold an open house at the Jones Avenue building for parents and staff to see the site – June 2024
- TDSB staff will conduct a survey of parents and staff to get feedback – June 2024
- TDSB staff will hold another public meeting to provide an update and next steps – fall 2024



# Feedback

## Comments, Questions and Answers

# Virtual Meeting Norms

- All participants of virtual public consultations are expected to maintain meeting decorum and abide by the requirements of the Board Code of Conduct (PR585) and the Code of Online Conduct (PR571). Discrimination and harassment will not be tolerated.
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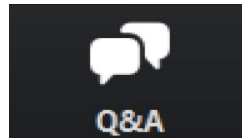
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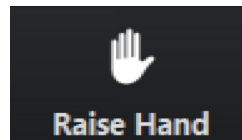
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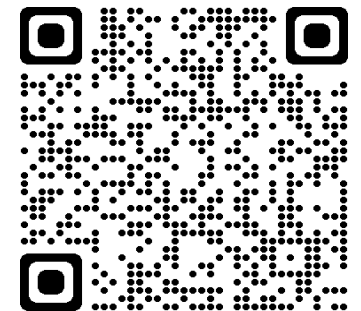
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  - Trustee's email: [Sara.Ehrhardt@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Sara.Ehrhardt@tdsb.on.ca)



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# Adjournment

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