

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: E. Schmidt, Acting Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Response to Trustee Request for Information

ORIGINATOR: C. McCabe, Executive Director

RESOURCE
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INFORMATION

TRUSTEE REQUEST #163, FEBRUARY 14, 2006 (TRUSTEE GIBEAULT) PROVIDE FOLLOW UP WITH SCHOOLS THAT DO NOT PROVIDE COMMUNITY ACCESS. The following chart identifies progress being made with those district schools that currently do not provide access to their gyms under the Joint Use Agreement for 2005-06.

SCHOOL	COMMENTS	NEXT STEPS For 2006-07
Afton	School has provided JUA access in past. The new Arts Program has changed their ability. School uses the gym as theatre space for rehearsals, set building and performances. School physical education program has to be flexible to schedule all events for students. They use the outdoors more often than before when gym is busy.	School administration is willing to make specific periods of time available for JUA. School programs will have to take precedent to ensure viable Arts programming.
T.D. Baker	School has special gymnasium flooring that is expensive to keep in premium condition. School is very strong in physical education and sport opportunities for students. This is a popular site for inter-school tournaments and games. Gym is heavily used by students every night of the week. Community is getting access into space through school based sport teams.	School administration will consolidate their team sport schedule for next year to free up time slots after 8:00 p.m. for JUA community groups.
Beacon Heights	The administration has learned that the school accommodates use from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. No custodial staff after 6:00 p.m.	There will be a change in reporting methods to include the early activities.

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Belgravia	No custodial staff member after 1:30 p.m. weekdays.	Alternative methods of supervision for community groups are under review.
Belvedere, Capilano, Clara Tyner, Delton, Forest Heights, Glendale, Glenora, Grovenor, Hazeldean, High Park, James Gibbons, Kameyosek, Menisa, Mill Creek, Montrose, Mount Royal, Princeton, Sherwood, Virginia Park, Windsor Park (n=20)	No custodial staff member after 4:00 p.m.	Alternative methods of supervision for community groups are under review.
Eastwood	Gymnasium floor repairs have been completed	The school will provide community use for 2006-07
Fulton Place	Small gym and poor markings limits the uses of this gym. Good for Yoga, Martial Arts and other low impact youth programs. Not suitable for pre-school age programs due to safety issues of railings. Security of building is an issue after-hours.	The school will provide access for bookings with limitations on the type of activities that can be accommodated.
Garneau	Custodial staffing issues have been addressed or modified.	School will provide access within their staffing schedule.
McCauley	Custodial coverage until 8:00 p.m.	School will provide access to JUA bookings
McNally	Community access under the JUA is not being provided by the school due to financial limitations.	The Acting Superintendent will continue to follow up and monitor the ability of the school to provide access for next year.

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Rideau Park	New custodial staff hired to 7:30 p.m.	School will provide access to JUA bookings to match their custodial coverage.
Rosslyn	Community access under the JUA is not being provided by the school due to financial limitations, and costs associated with custodial time taken away in order to supervise/monitor/organize the evening rental groups.	The Acting Superintendent will continue to follow up and monitor the ability of the school to provide access for next year.
Rutherford	School has recently added custodial staff member on duty until 7:30 p.m.	School will provide access to JUA booking to match custodial schedule.
Satoo	Custodial staff member on duty until 7:00 p.m.	School will provide early access and consider alternative methods of supervision for community groups that are under review.
Edmonton Christian School, Millwoods Christian School (n=2)	Leased properties.	Request availability and amend lease agreements accordingly

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