



Dear Parents and Community Members,

We would like to update you on the development at 18-30 Erskine Avenue.

During the past several weeks, the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) has been working with parent representatives from both, John Fisher Public School (JFPS) and French Connection (daycare).

The health and safety of students and staff is a priority for the TDSB. As you may be aware, the TDSB has hired a third party company, ECOH, to conduct a risk assessment (RA). This assessment will evaluate the health and safety of the children and staff as well as the impact on the learning environment through the various stages of construction and post-construction.

ECOH has completed Phase 1 of the RA, which provided a generic evaluation. Once the City of Toronto provides TDSB with specific details about the proposed construction management plan submitted by the developer, ECOH will be able to complete Phase 2 of the RA. Depending on when we get this information, our consultant should have the risk assessment completed by mid to end of April.

Based on the findings of Phase 2, the TDSB will assess measures to mitigate the risks associated with the development including a possible relocation of JFPS and the daycare. Given the Board has decided to keep Vaughan Road Academy as a core holding, this location will be considered as a potential relocation site. A decision to relocate the school has not yet been determined. If the relocation is to proceed, the TDSB will work with staff and the school community to facilitate the process and ensure a successful transition.

We appreciate that this is a difficult time as there is uncertainty with respect to the development and the immediate future of JFPS and the daycare. The TDSB will continue to support the efforts of the school community to ensure health and safety concerns are addressed. Any decisions will be made in consultation with parents and staff.

Additional updates will be provided as information becomes available. If you have any questions or comments, please contact either Marlene Harroun (School Principal, JFPS), Tanya Razek (School Council Chair, JFPS) at trazek@rogers.com or Mariam Roghani (Director of French Connection) at fcchildcare@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Beth Butcher".

Beth Butcher
Executive Superintendent LC1

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