

Policy 810: Childcare Programs on Board Property



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Policy 810: Overview



Purpose

- Support quality childcare programs on Board property (7:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.) through Board-operated or licensed third-party providers.

How Need is Assessed

- Community demand, waitlists, proximity to existing programs
- Availability and suitability of school space
- Future enrolment and facility needs
- Opportunities in new school construction projects

Service Delivery Decisions

- Board evaluates whether programs should be:
 - Operated directly by the District,
 - Delivered by a licensed provider, or
 - A combination of both
- Decisions consider community needs, staffing, financial sustainability, and service gaps.

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Core Requirements

- Promote inclusive, non-discriminatory childcare
- Support Indigenous reconciliation
- Ensure fees only recover Board costs
- Meet all licensing and operational standards

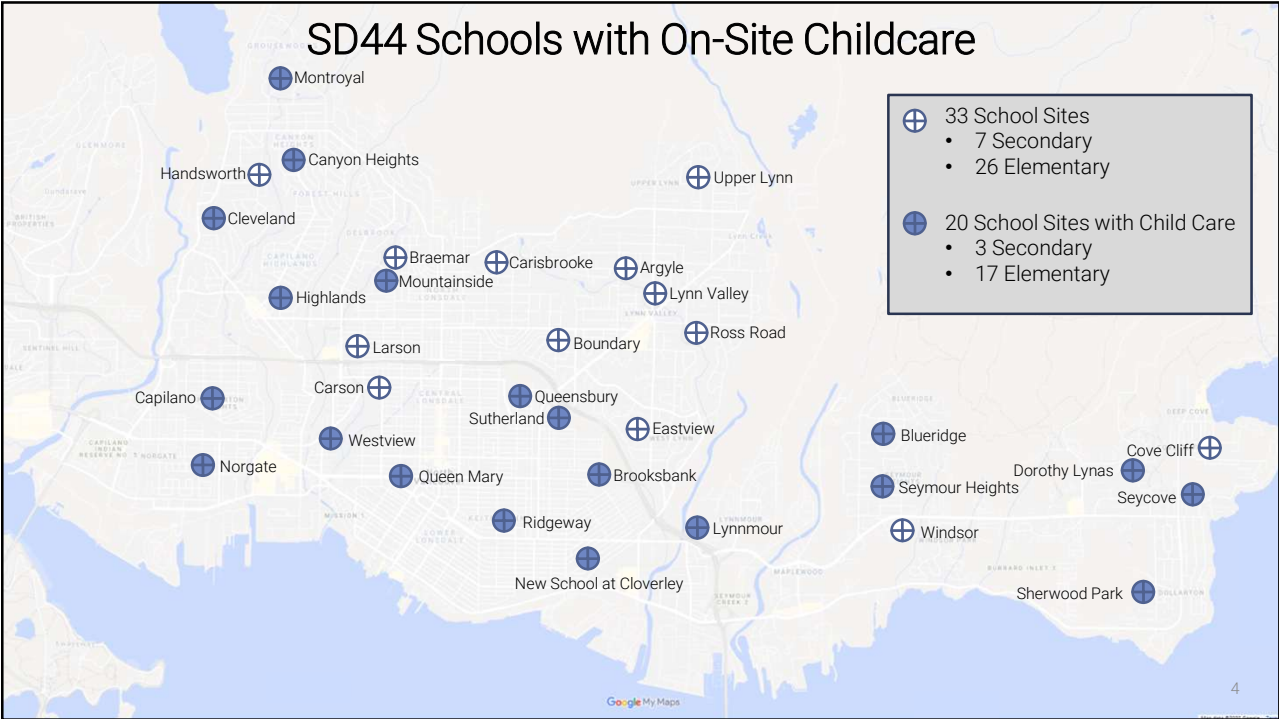
Selecting & Managing Providers

- Open, competitive procurement process (BC Bid)
- Preference for providers demonstrating inclusion and Indigenous reconciliation
- Written agreements reviewed at least every 3 years
- Performance and compliance considered for renewals

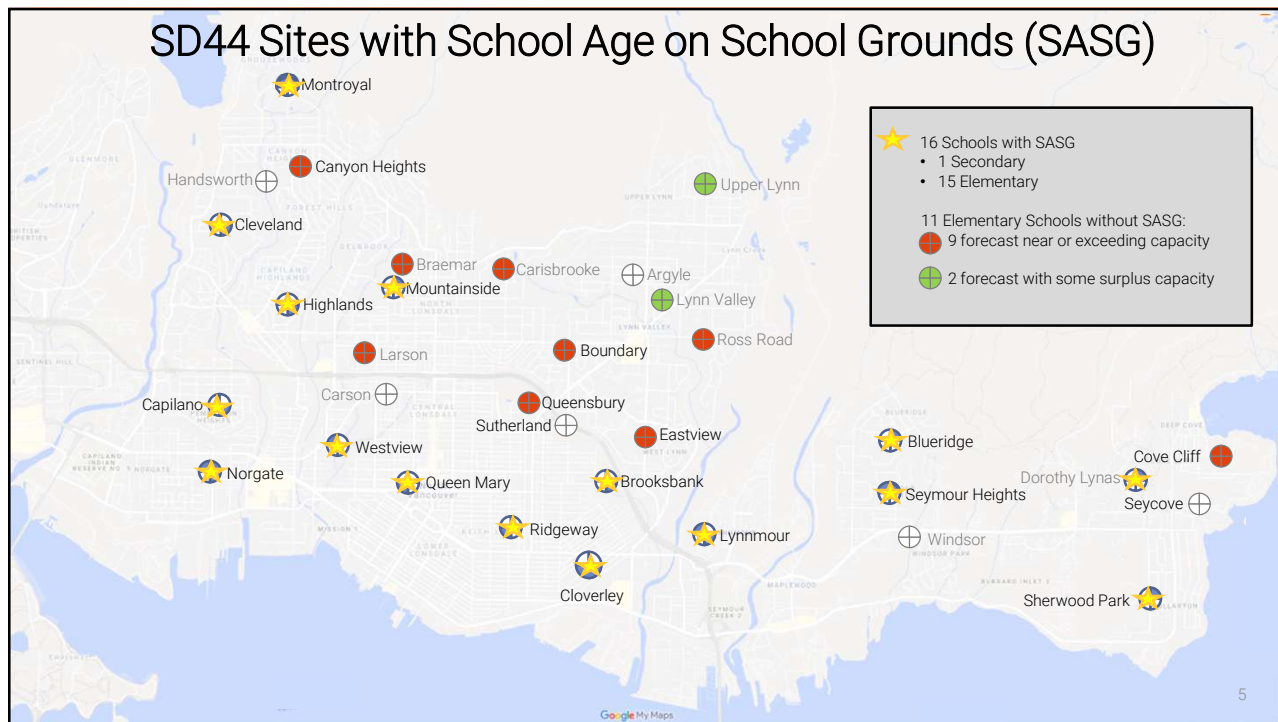
Engagement

- Transparent consultation with families, staff, Indigenous partners, childcare operators, and the community.

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2026 Initiatives – New Childcare Capacity

New Spaces – Cloverley Elementary School September 2026

- 12 spaces for children 0 to 36 months
- 25 spaces for children 36 months to school age
- 55 spaces for before and after school care (in NLC space)

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