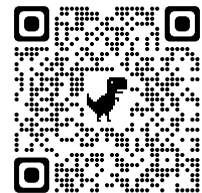


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School construction that keeps pace
with growing student enrolment



With adequate government funding for public education,
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What should I ask candidates?

QUESTION

1. How will you address the space shortage at Edmonton Public Schools?
2. Over 70% of Edmonton Public's schools are 50 years old or older. How will your party provide adequate funds for the maintenance or replacement of these buildings?

FAST FACTS

- We are one of the fastest growing school divisions in Alberta. We welcomed almost 4500 students this school year, and are expecting about the same for the 2023-24 school year. That's enough students to fill **12 elementary schools** or **4 high schools** each year!
- The Province funds new school construction, decides when and where schools are built and controls how much money we get to repair our older buildings.
- In the 2021 and 2022 provincial budgets, EPSB did not get funding for any new schools and we're feeling the impacts.
- In Budget 2023, we received funding for one K-9 school. That will provide 950 seats. However, it takes 3 to 5 years to build a new school.
- Because funding for school space has not kept up with our growth, the Division has:
 - added as many modular classrooms as possible
 - had to introduce a lottery in 7 schools because they can't fit all the children in the neighbourhood
- 70% of our schools are more than 50 years old. It would cost about \$900 million to modernize all of our buildings.

See the Division's Capital and Facilities Plans at <https://epsb.ca/ourdistrict/results/capitalplanning/>



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