



Corporate Report

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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council **DATE:** February 26, 2007
FROM: General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture **FILE:** 0510-01
SUBJECT: Community School Partnership Initiative

RECOMMENDATION

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department recommend that Council receive this report as information.

BACKGROUND

The Community and Leisure Services division of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department facilitates programs and initiatives in 58 of the 93 elementary schools and in five of the 26 public secondary schools in the City of Surrey (see Appendix 1). While these programs and initiatives are meeting the community needs in many of Surrey's neighbourhoods, it is still difficult for staff to secure space in some of the schools due to competing needs for limited space or expensive rental and janitorial fees when space is available but the schools are closed.

In June 2006, the City of Surrey and the Surrey School District #36 met to discuss the concept of a joint strategy beginning with the exploration of a community school-based partnership model. The Surrey School District allocated enough funding to this initiative to enable the hiring of 3 Community School Partnership Coordinators. It was determined that the 3 Community School Partnership Coordinators would oversee clusters of schools in three of the City of Surrey's 6 Town Centre areas. The beginning of this new partnership model will start in the three Town Centres with the most inner-city schools, namely, the Guildford Town Centre, Newton Town Centre and the Whalley Town Centre. For the first year of this initiative, the following schools were identified:

1. Guildford Town Centre: Guildford Park Secondary, Lena Shaw and Mary Jane Shannon Elementary Schools
2. Newton Town Centre: Strawberry Hills (with the highest percentage of non-English speaking schools in the district with 92 % of the students speaking Punjabi as their first language), W.E Kinvig and Cougar Creek Elementary Schools and Princess Margaret Secondary School.

3. Whalley Town Centre: K.B. Woodward and Kwantlen Park Secondary Schools and Bridgeview Elementary School.

The Community School Partnership initiative will operate throughout the school year and the summer.

The 3 Community School Partnership Coordinators are hired and will begin working March 19, 2007. The 3 Coordinators have a diverse range of experience making for an exciting and resourceful team. For example, one Coordinator is multi-lingual, speaking English, Punjabi and Hindi and will work in Newton Town Centre schools to effectively link resources with participants.

Program Purpose

The Community-Schools Partnership initiative links local services and resources to enhance programs in schools and create neighbourhood focal points for children, youth and families to make connections with city-wide services while building a sense of neighbourhood identity and promoting lifelong learning and community liveability. These Co-ordinators will work with the selected schools and neighbourhood representatives to develop specific partnership projects that fit with the overall Community School Partnership vision, building on strengths to meet local needs. Projects may focus on such themes as early childhood development, family involvement, parenting support, youth development/leadership initiatives, community-based learning, inter-cultural understanding, neighbourhood safety and community engagement. It is understood that each project will reflect the uniqueness and diversity of the local neighbourhood.

Vision

Through such partnerships, we will work to develop and support a community known for its thriving children and youth, healthy families, community-centred schools and safe neighbourhoods within a caring, vibrant, sustainable city.

Mission

We are committed to work together to build community through an alignment of resources, improved access to neighbourhood and city-wide services, forming innovative partnerships under a new spirit of collaboration and sense of vision amongst residents, agencies and businesses in Surrey.

Guiding Principles

- Inlusiveness – The Community School Partnership’s processes will strive to reflect the diversity of assets, needs and experiences by engaging and involving students, families, and community members in each participating neighbourhood.
- Relationships – All participants involved in Community School Partnership will share the responsibility of building, modelling, and maintaining respectful and transparent relationships with other partners and stakeholders.

- Collaboration – Through the Community School Partnership initiative, schools and community agencies work together as partners seeking value-added solutions and shared learning.
- Responsiveness – The Community School Partnership initiative is based upon an understanding that public institutions exist to serve the public and are obligated to develop programs and services that address continuously changing public needs and interests.
- Build upon strengths existing in schools and communities – Community School Partnership initiative services and support are asset based, accessible and linked to or based in schools.
- Sharing of expertise and resources – The Community School Partnership initiative seeks to use school and community physical, financial, and human resources to address student family and community needs.
- Self determination and local involvement – The Community School Partnership initiative maintains that local people have a right and a responsibility to be involved in determining community needs and identifying resources that can be used to address those needs.
- Self-help and leadership development – the Community School Partnership initiative recognizes that people are best served when their capacity to help themselves is acknowledged and developed. When people work together to assume responsibility for their own well-being, they build resilience, self reliance, inter-dependence and become part of the strength and solution.
- Sustainability – Through strategic collaboration, alignment of resources and a focus on do-able, community responsive projects and activities that add to the integration of services at a neighbourhood level, the Community School Partnership initiative seeks to achieve sustainability.
- Child and Youth voices and involvement, children and youth will have input into what their needs and interests are in their community and schools and will work with the partners and staff to develop programs, services, volunteer and mentorship opportunities for children and youth.

The Community Schools Partnership Committee

Mandate

The Community Schools Partnership Committee, co-chaired by senior representatives from the School Board and the City of Surrey's Parks, Recreation and Culture Department:

- Is the holder of the collective Community Schools Partnership vision; and
- Provides oversight leadership, strategic direction and support to facilitate the ongoing development, implementation and accountability of the initiatives.

Key Functions

- Ensuring that the implementation of the Community School Partnership initiatives at the city-wide hub and school levels is synchronized with the overall Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles;
- Promoting the Community School Partnership Initiative as an innovative approach to community building;
- Building relationships and communicating with existing and potential Community School Partnership partners and stakeholders;
- Monitoring changes in public policy and funding mechanisms that have implications for the work of the Community School Partnership initiative at the city wide hub and school levels;
- Identifying opportunities that will move forward the Community School Partnership Vision;
- Providing advice and direction to the Community School Partnership Co-ordinator team;
- Problem solving and removing systemic barriers that are identified as a result of the work and activities at the local school and hub levels;
- Developing new inter-agency protocols as required to facilitate the Community School Partnership work;
- Ensuring a coherent and collaborative approach to resource and development to avoid unhealthy competition for resources amongst local agencies;
- Developing and implementing an overall evaluation framework; and
- Monitoring, celebrating and communicating the outcomes of the Community School Partnership initiatives.

Term

The Community School Partnership initiative is being developed as a long-term innovative approach to building the capacity of the community to meet the needs of the children, youth, families and other residents of Surrey. The first three years will focus on inner-city needs in Guildford, Whalley and Newton with the intention of evolving into a city-wide model.

Structure of Committee

Membership of approximately 12 to 16 including:

- 3 School District representatives designated by the Superintendents Office;
- 3 City representatives, from the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department, Planning and Development and Surrey Libraries; and
- representation from the following organizations or coalitions:
 - United Way
 - Ministry of Children and Family Development
 - Fraser Health
 - Surrey RCMP
 - Surrey Children and Youth Committee
 - Surrey Children's Collaborative
 - Surrey/White Rock Make Children First
 - Surrey Middle Years Matters
 - Vibrant Surrey
 - Surrey Board of Trade (potential addition)

Chair

The Committee will be co-chaired by representatives from the School District and the City of Surrey – Parks, Recreation and Culture Department.

The Community School Partnership Committee co-chairs are responsible for inviting potential members to join the committee and to appoint a new representative if a member is not able to regularly contribute to the committee.

Sub-committee/Working groups:

The Committee may from time to time decide to strike sub-committees and/or working groups to examine a particular issue in more detail. The scope, membership and term will be defined as required.

Parks Recreation and Culture will continue to offer programs in schools under this new partnership by providing programming before school, afterschool and in the evenings. Parks Recreation and Culture will continue to hire and pay staff and maintain the school registrations and collect the revenues. Parks Recreation and Culture offers value programs in schools and works in partnerships with agencies to provide some free programs and services and receives

grants to work in schools with other partners. In addition, Parks, Recreation and Culture also offers the Leisure Access Program to Surrey School District #36 students who participate in City programs in the schools. With this new expanded partnership, Parks Recreation and Culture along with RCMP and Safe Schools will be able to expand their programs and services into the evenings, weekends and summers without having to pay expensive rental fees.

CONCLUSION

The Surrey School District and the City of Surrey representatives from Libraries, Planning and Parks, Recreation and Culture Departments are extremely excited to participate as co- partners in this important initiative to create healthy and engaged children, youth, families and communities in the City of Surrey. This is the beginning of a vision that will continue to grow, expand and evolve to include all town centres in all 121 schools within British Columbia's largest School District.

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Parks, Recreation and Culture Department

LIST OF SCHOOLS

FACILITY NAME	TYPE	ADDRESS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	AREA	CONTACT	PHONE	
A.H.P. Matthew	Elementary	13367 97 Ave	children program(s)	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341	
A.J. McLellan	Elementary	16545 61 Ave	children program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403	
A.J. McLellan	Elementary	16545 61 Ave	adult program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403	
Anniedale Traditional	Elementary	9744 176 Ave					
Bayridge	Elementary	1730 142 St	children program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214	
Bear Creek	Elementary	13780 80 Ave	children program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Bear Creek	Elementary	13780 80 Ave	preschool program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Beaver Creek	Elementary	6505 123A St					
Berkshire Park	Elementary	15372 94 Ave	rental	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036	
Berkshire Park	Elementary	15372 94 Ave	afterschool	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036	
Berkshire Park	Elementary	15372 94 Ave	partnership	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036	
Betty Huff	Elementary	13055 Huntley Ave					
Bonaccord	Elementary	14986 98 Ave		GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243	
Bothwell	Elementary	17070 102 Ave	afterschool	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243	
Bothwell	Elementary	17070 102 Ave	children camp(s)	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243	
Boundary Park	Elementary	12332 N. Boundary Dr	afterschool	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Bridgeview	Elementary	12834 115A Ave	preschool program(s)	NS	Erin Balmer	604-502-6344	

Bridgeview	Elementary	12834 115A Ave	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-501-6341	
Brookside	Elementary	8555 142A St	partnership	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036	
Cambridge	Elementary	6115 150 St					
Cedar Hills	Elementary	12370 98 Ave					
Chantrell Creek	Elementary	2575 137 St	children program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214	
FACILITY NAME	TYPE	ADDRESS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	AREA	CONTACT	PHONE	
Chimney Hill	Elementary	14755 74 Ave					
Cindrich	Elementary	13455 90 Ave	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341	
Clayton	Elementary	7541 184 St					
Cloverdale Traditional	Elementary	17857 56 Ave					
Coast Meridian	Elementary	8222 168A St					
Colebrook	Elementary	5404 125A St					
Cougar Creek	Elementary	12236 70A Ave	preschool program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Cougar Creek	Elementary	12236 70A Ave	children program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Coyote Creek	Elementary	8131 156 St	rental	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036	
Creekside	Elementary	13838 91 Ave	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-501-6341	
Crescent Park	Elementary	2440 128 St	children program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214	
Crescent Park	Elementary	2440 128 St	preschool program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214	
Crescent Park	Elementary	2440 128 St	summer camp(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214	
Crescent Park Annex	Elementary	2378 124 St					

David Brankin	Elementary	9160 128 St	preschool program(s)	NS	Erin Balmer	604-502-6344
David Brankin	Elementary	9160 128 St	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341
Discovery	Elementary	13104 109 Ave				
Dogwood	Elementary	10752 157 St	afterschool	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243
Dogwood	Elementary	10752 157 St	children camp(s)	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243
Don Christian	Elementary	6256 184 St	adult program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403
Don Christian	Elementary	6256 184 St	children program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403
Dr. F.D. Sinclair	Elementary	7480 128 St				
East Clayton	Elementary	18680 72 Ave				
FACILITY NAME	TYPE	ADDRESS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	AREA	CONTACT	PHONE
East Kensington	Elementary	2795 184 St				
Ellendale	Elementary	14525 110A Ave	afterschool	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243
Ellendale	Elementary	14525 110A Ave	children camp(s)	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243
Erma Stephenson	Elementary	10929 160 St				
Fleetwood	Elementary	15289 88 Ave	rental	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Fleetwood	Elementary	15289 88 Ave	interschool	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Fleetwood	Elementary	15289 88 Ave	partnership	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Forsyth Road	Elementary	10730 139 St	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341
Fraser Wood	Elementary	10650 164 St	children camp(s)	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243

Fraser Wood	Elementary	10650 164 St	afterschool	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243
Frost Road	Elementary	8606 162 St	afterschool	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Frost Road	Elementary	8606 162 St	rental	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
George Greenaway	Elementary	17285 61A Ave				
Georges Vanier	Elementary	6985 142 St	children program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038
Grandview Heights	Elementary	17561 20 Ave				
Green Timbers	Elementary	8824 144 St	rental	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Green Timbers	Elementary	8824 144 St	afterschool	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Green Timbers	Elementary	8824 144 St	partnership	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
H.T. Thrift	Elementary	1739 148 St	children program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214
Hall's Prairie	Elementary	18035 8 Ave				
Harold Bishop	Elementary	15670 104 Ave				
Henry Bose	Elementary	6550 134 St				
FACILITY NAME	TYPE	ADDRESS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	AREA	CONTACT	PHONE
Hillcrest	Elementary	18599 65 Ave	youth program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403
Hillcrest	Elementary	18599 65 Ave	adult program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403
Hjorth Road	Elementary	14781 104 Ave	afterschool	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243
Holly	Elementary	10719 150 St	afterschool	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243
Holly	Elementary	10719 150 St	children camp(s)	GF	Carla Hadley	604-502-6243

Hyland	Elementary	6677 140 St				
J.T. Brown	Elementary	12530 60 Ave	afterschool	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5068
James Ardiel	Elementary	13751 112 Ave	preschool program(s)	NS	Erin Balmer	604-502-6344
James Ardiel	Elementary	13751 112 Ave	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341
Janice Churchill	Elementary	8226 146 St	partnership	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Jessie Lee	Elementary	2064 154 St	children program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214
Jessie Lee	Elementary	2064 154 St	children program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214
Jessie Lee	Elementary	2064 154 St	afterschool	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214
Jessie Lee	Elementary	2064 154 St	partnership	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214
K.B. Woodward	Elementary	13130 106 Ave	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341
Kennedy Trail	Elementary	8305 122A St	afterschool	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038
Kensington Prairie	Elementary	16824 - 32 Ave				
Kirkbride	Elementary	12150 92 Ave	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341
Laronde	Elementary	1880 Laronde Dr	youth program(s)	SS	Corrie Bjarnason	604-502-6240
Laronde	Elementary	1880 Laronde Dr	adult program(s)	SS	Corrie Bjarnason	604-502-6240
Laronde	Elementary	1880 Laronde Dr	children program(s)	SS	Ian Cummings	604-502-6212
Latimer Road	Elementary	19233 60 Ave	children program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403
FACILITY NAME	TYPE	ADDRESS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	AREA	CONTACT	PHONE
Lena Shaw	Elementary	14250 100A Ave	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341

M.B. Sanford	Elementary	7318 143 St	preschool program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
M.B. Sanford	Elementary	7318 143 St	children program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
M.B. Sanford	Elementary	7318 143 St	afterschool	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Maple Green	Elementary	14898 Spenser Dr	rental	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036	
Maple Green	Elementary	14898 Spenser Dr	afterschool	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036	
Maple Green	Elementary	14898 Spenser Dr	partnership	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036	
Martha Currie	Elementary	5811 184 St	adult program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403	
Martha Currie	Elementary	5811 184 St	afterschool	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403	
Martha Jane Norris	Elementary	12928 66A Ave	out of school care	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403	
Mary Jane Shannon	Elementary	10682 144 St	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341	
McLeod Road	Elementary	6325 142 St	afterschool	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Morgan	Elementary	3366 156A St					
Mountainview Montessori	Elementary	15225 98 Ave					
Newton	Elementary	13359 81 Ave					
North Ridge	Elementary	13460 62 Ave					
Ocean Cliff	Elementary	12550 20 Ave	children program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214	
Ocean Cliff	Elementary	12550 20 Ave	youth program(s)	SS	Corrie Bjarnason	604-502-6240	
Old Yale Road	Elementary	10135 132 St	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341	
Pacific Heights	Elementary	17148 26 Ave					
Panorama Park	Elementary	12878 62 Ave	afterschool	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	

Peace Arch	Elementary	15877 Roper Ave	children program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214	
Peace Arch	Elementary	15877 Roper Ave	youth program(s)	SS	Sharon Nevison	604-502-6214	
FACILITY NAME	TYPE	ADDRESS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	AREA	CONTACT	PHONE	
Port Kells	Elementary	19076 88 Ave					
Prince Charles	Elementary	12405 100 Ave					
Ray Shepherd	Elementary	1650 136 St					
Riverdale	Elementary	14835 108A Ave					
Royal Heights	Elementary	11665 97 Ave	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341	
Semiahmoo Trail	Elementary	3040 145A St					
Senator Reid	Elementary	9341 126 St	afterschool	NS	Lynsey Nielsen	604-502-6341	
Serpentine Heights	Elementary	16126 93A Ave					
Simon Cunningham	Elementary	9380 140 St					
South Meridian	Elementary	16244 13 Ave					
Strawberry Hill	Elementary	7633 124 St	preschool program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Strawberry Hill	Elementary	7633 124 St	children program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038	
Sullivan	Elementary	6016 152 St					
Sunnyside	Elementary	15250 28 Ave					
Sunrise Ridge	Elementary	18690 60 Ave	youth program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403	
Sunrise Ridge	Elementary	18690 60 Ave	children program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403	
Surrey Centre	Elementary	16670 Old McLellan Rd					

Surrey Connect: Home Learner Program	Elementary	7532 134A St				
Surrey Traditional	Elementary	13875 113 Ave				
T.E. Scott	Elementary	7079 148 St	children camp(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038
W.E. Kinvig	Elementary	13266 70B Ave	children program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038
W.E. Kinvig	Elementary	13266 70B Ave	youth program(s)	NT	Stephen Raghoobarsingh	604-501-5548
Walnut Road	Elementary	16152 82 Ave	rental	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
FACILITY NAME	TYPE	ADDRESS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	AREA	CONTACT	PHONE
Walnut Road	Elementary	16152 82 Ave	partnership	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Westerman	Elementary	7626 122 St				
White Rock	Elementary	1273 Fir St				
William F. Davidson	Elementary	15550 99A Ave				
William Watson	Elementary	16450 80 Ave				
Woodland Park	Elementary	9025 158 St	afterschool	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Woodland Park	Elementary	9025 158 St	partnership	FT	Suzanne McNeil	604-501-5036
Anniedale Traditional	Secondary	9744 176 St				
Clayton Heights	Secondary	7003 188 St				
Cloverdale Learning Centre	Secondary	5741 176 St				
Cloverdale Traditional	Secondary	17857 56 Ave				
Earl Marriott	Secondary	15751 16 Ave	youth program(s)	SS	Corrie Bjarnason	604-502-6240

Elgin Park	Secondary	13484 24 Ave				
Enver Creek	Secondary	14505 84 Ave				
Fleetwood Park	Secondary	7940 156 St				
Frank Hurt	Secondary	13940 77 Ave				
Fraser Heights	Secondary	16060 108 Ave				
Grade 10 Challenge	Secondary	200 9260 140 St				
Guildford Learning Centre	Secondary	10215 152A St				
Guildford Park	Secondary	10707 146 St				
Invergarry Adult Learning Centre	Secondary	400 9260 140 St				
Johnston Heights	Secondary	15350 99 Ave				
Kwantlen Park	Secondary	10441 132 St				
L.A. Matheson	Secondary	9484 122 St				
Lord Tweedsmuir	Secondary	6151 180 St	youth program(s)	CL	John Evanochko	604-502-6403
FACILITY NAME	TYPE	ADDRESS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	AREA	CONTACT	PHONE
Newton Learning Centre	Secondary	102 6329 King George Hwy				
North Surrey	Secondary	15945 96 Ave				
North Surrey Learning Centre	Secondary	200 9260 140 St				
Panorama Ridge	Secondary	13220 64 Ave				
Princess Margaret	Secondary	12870 72 Ave	children program(s)	NT	Jami Huston	604-501-5038
Princess Margaret	Secondary	12870 72 Ave	youth program(s)	NT	Jami Huston and Stephen Raghoobarsingh	604-501-5038 604-501-5548
Queen Elizabeth	Secondary	9457 136 St				
Semiahmoo	Secondary	1785 148 St	adult program(s)	SS	Ian Cunnings	604-502-6212

