



ST. PASCHAL BAYLON CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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Dear Parents:

As you may be aware, the Toronto Catholic District School Board has received approval to proceed with the construction of an addition and renovations at St. Paschal Baylon Catholic School.

Before construction and renovations begin, the Board needs to ensure that asbestos is safely removed from parts of the building before the other work can proceed. Because most of the building is unoccupied during the summer months, the plan is to begin the asbestos removal work the week of July 4, 2016 and it is expected to be completed by the end of the third week in July. The majority of this work will be on the second floor of the school, with two very small localized areas on the ground floor.

The safety and well-being of everyone concerned is always the Board's top priority. Asbestos removal is classified as Type 1, 2 or 3, with Type 3 having the most stringent protection requirements. The asbestos abatement work at St. Paschal Baylon will be performed by a qualified asbestos abatement contractor using Type 2 and Type 3 procedures in accordance with all regulatory requirements. These requirements ensure that no person not wearing protective gear is exposed to any asbestos containing material. The construction zone within the existing school will be separated from the area used by the child care by an air-tight partition wall. It will not be possible for any unauthorized person to accidentally access the construction area and clear warning signs will be posted. In addition, each localized area where asbestos removal is being carried out will be protected by a plastic enclosure that is pressurized to ensure that asbestos particles cannot escape the enclosure.

The TCDSB has retained the services of Arcadis Canada Inc., an environmental engineering firm, to provide site inspections during the asbestos removal work associated with the renovation project. Arcadis will perform on-site inspections, on a regular basis, during the asbestos removal operations to ensure that asbestos removal work is being performed properly and in accordance with O. Reg. 278/05, the Ontario Regulation respecting Asbestos on Construction Projects and in Buildings and Repair Operations – made under the Occupational Health and Safety Act.

Although not required under the O. Reg. 278/05, air testing will be performed in the daycare area during the Type 3 asbestos removal work. Air sampling will be performed in two locations in the daycare area twice weekly during the Type 3 asbestos removal work. The air sampling will be performed by Arcadis staff after daycare hours and the results of laboratory analysis of the air samples will be posted in the school within 36 hours of the air samples being collected. Following completion of the Type 3 asbestos removal work, final air clearance sampling will be performed by Arcadis inside the Type 3 asbestos removal work areas in accordance with O. Reg. 278/05.

Should you have any questions or concerns about the work that is being done, please contact the Child Care operator who will pass your questions on to the project team.

Sincerely,

S. Rivers, Principal

S. Lorusso, Vice Principal

Cc: M. Puccetti, Superintendent of Facilities, TCDSB