

## **POLICY 660: Provision of Child Care**

The Board of Education promotes the use of Board property for the provision of childcare programs to advance a more holistic system of education and care for students that eases transitions for families and supports quality learning across the day.

1. When the Board decides to change the use of Board property that is being used for providing a child-care program, the Board will ensure that the Ministry of Education and Child Care is provided with the required information.
2. The Board will maintain provincially funded child-care spaces provided it does not impede the Board's ability to deliver K-12 educational programs.
3. When the Board decides to change the use of Board property that is being used for providing a child care program, the Board will meaningfully engage with the communities and consider enrolment forecasts, class size and composition, community need or alternatives such as vacant or available spaces on all board properties, additional investment in modular units or renovations, adjustment of catchment areas, creating shared-space arrangements, working with the child care provider to find an alternative or other solutions based on community input.