



Lakeland Catholic Schools  
Three Year Capital Plan  
2022 – 2025

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## Overview:

Annually, school boards are required to submit 3-year capital plans to Alberta Education. School boards must also be prepared to submit 10-year capital plans, upon request of Capital Planning staff. These plans require boards to assess their school capital needs and prioritize proposed projects based on project drivers outlined by Alberta Education. Project drivers include: building condition, community renewal, declining demographics, enrolment pressures, functionality and programming, health and safety, and legal considerations.

This plan includes project proposals that the Board of Trustees of Lakeland Roman Catholic Separate School Division would like the Provincial government to approve and fund. It is important to note, that these are only proposals- some, or no projects may be approved in a year. Further, it may take years for projects to be approved, and some projects may not be approved in the order they appear ranked in the plan.

## Priority #1: Holy Family Catholic School, Waskatenau, AB

Replacement School (Kindergarten – Grade 12)

Key Drivers:     Health & Safety  
                      Building Condition  
                      Community Renewal

Holy Family Catholic school was originally constructed in 1933 and was expanded in 1948 and 1958. The entire facility is wood framed and exceeds the normal expected useful life of 40-60 years. The school has a crumbling foundation, partial dirt basement crawlspace, no wheelchair access to classrooms, and a failing mechanical system.

Due to the age and condition of the school, we are limited in providing a variety of educational programs to the K-12 students, such as Career Technology Studies (CTS) courses and science labs, in the current learning facility.

**Project request:** construct a 150-student capacity (K-12) facility, including appropriate bus lane, parking lot and student drop off location on the existing grounds while still occupying the current school facility. Then demolish the existing school once complete and relocate/replace the playground and ball diamond as required.

Estimated cost: \$11,602,696

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## Priority #2: Light of Christ Catholic School, Lac La Biche, AB

New School (Kindergarten – Grade 12)

Key Drivers:     Health & Safety  
                      Functionality & Programming

Light of Christ school was opened in 2016, after the successful establishment of a separate school in the Lac La Biche area. Presently we do not have our own facility, we are leasing a school from the Northern Lights School Division (NLS), which was previously operated as Dr. Swift Middle School. The building was originally constructed in 1962, and was expanded in 1963, 1965, 1976, and 1990. Being designed/tailored to middle school, this has resulted in no clear zoning to properly segregate the K-12 grade levels we serve and limits our ability to provide a full range of programs for the students that we have enrolled in the school.

We are in the process of joint collaboration with two other school boards for a shared facility solution in Lac La Biche, as this area is high priority on all our capital plans. We anticipate this joint plan to be finalized in the near future.

**Project request:** construct a 350-student capacity (K-12) facility, including appropriate bus lane, parking lot, playground and student drop off location.

Estimated cost: \$24,314,749

### Priority #3: Cold Lake High School, Cold Lake, AB

New School (Grades 9 – 12)

Key Drivers:    Enrolment Pressures  
                    Health & Safety  
                    Community Renewal

There have been growing enrolments due to rapid expansion in the Cold Lake area. Currently we have 3 schools in Cold Lake: St. Dominic Elementary (K-6), Holy Cross Elementary (K-6), and Assumption Jr/Sr High (7-12). This project would involve a new school to address enrolment pressures, resulting in a change in the grade configuration as follows:

- New School:    grades 9-12
- Assumption:    grades 5-8 (formerly 7-12)
- St. Dominic:    grades K-4 (formerly K-6)
- Holy Cross:    grades K-4 (formerly K-6)

By reconfiguring as noted above, this would allow for the removal of eight portables (total of fourteen portables in Cold Lake presently): two of the portables are not attached (posing concerns in lockdown situations), and all eight of the portables have individual furnaces (health and safety).

**Project request:** construct a 600-student capacity (grades 9-12) facility, including appropriate bus lane, parking lot and student drop off location, and the removal of 8 portable buildings from existing school sites. This project is based on projections, with the parental engagement process to follow.

Estimated cost: \$29,527,141

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### Priority #4: Notre Dame Elementary School, Bonnyville, AB

Replacement School (Kindergarten – Grade 4)

Key Drivers:    Building Condition

Notre Dame Elementary school was built in 1953, with expansions in 1965 and 1972, and a major modernization in 1986. The 2009 Provincial Facility Audit indicated there were major items needing replacement within 3 years time, which our annual Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal (IMR) funding would not be adequate to cover the costs for replacement. Most significantly, mechanical upgrades are required as there is currently no central heating and ventilation (classrooms have individual furnaces).

**Project request:** construct a 500-student capacity (K-4) facility, on the existing grounds while still occupying the current school facility, and then demolish the existing school once complete, and relocate/replace the playgrounds as required.

Estimated cost: \$28,249,361

## Priority #5: St. Dominic Elementary School, Cold Lake, AB

Replacement School (Kindergarten – Grade 6)

Key Drivers:     Building Condition  
                      Health & Safety

St. Dominic school was constructed in 1957, with an addition in 1984, and portables added in both the 1980's and 1990's. There are 6 portables located at this site, which exceed their expected useful life. The 2010 Provincial Facility Evaluation report indicated the facility was undersized for current and projected enrolment, mechanical and electrical upgrades were required, and roofing was nearing the end of its expected life.

**Project request:** construct a 400-student capacity (K-6) facility, on the existing grounds while still occupying the current school facility, and then demolish the existing school once complete, and relocate/replace the playgrounds as required.

Estimated cost: \$23,776,687

### 3 – Year Capital Plan Project Summary

Ranking	School	Project	Estimated Cost	Start Date	End Date
<b>2022-2023 School year</b>					
1	Holy Family Catholic School	K-12 Replacement School	\$ 11,602,696	9/1/2022	8/31/2024
2	Light of Christ School	K-12 New School	\$ 24,314,749	9/1/2022	8/31/2024
<b>2023-2024 School year</b>					
3	Cold Lake High School	9-12 New School	\$ 29,527,141	9/1/2023	8/31/2025
<b>2024-2025 School year</b>					
4	Notre Dame Elementary School	K-4 Replacement School	\$ 28,249,361	9/1/2024	8/31/2026
5	St. Dominic Elementary School	K-6 Replacement School	\$ 23,776,687	9/1/2024	8/31/2026

**\$ 117,470,634**

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