

ADVENTURE PLAYGROUNDS

Procedures

- 1. Adventure Playgrounds will be removed at the end of their functional lives. (Functional life is defined as a period when the equipment can be maintained in a CSA defined safe condition without the need for capital input greater than 50% of the purchase value of new equipment. Lifespan is estimated at between 10 and 20 years). Schools will be given a one year minimum notice that the equipment will be removed.
- 2. The purchase and installation of Adventure Playgrounds will not be funded by Central Okanagan Public Schools.
- 3. All new Adventure Playgrounds will be standardized, meet District and CSA guidelines, as well as allow for handicap accessibility. (The Operations Department will determine District standards.) They will also be integrated with standard equipment to form a cohesive, planned playground site.
- 4. The District will maintain all Adventure Playgrounds at a cost to the District through the Operations grounds maintenance budget.
- 5. All new Adventure Playgrounds will be "pre-approved" by the District. The District must be advised by outside groups of the desire for an adventure playground before fundraising actually occurs. The existing School Enhancement Agreement should be used to secure approval. Refer to Policy 625.
- 6. Standard equipment is defined as that equipment purchased and installed with Central Okanagan Public Schools funds. (Swings, teeter-totters, stand alone climbers and stand alone slides are considered standard equipment.)
- 8. Operations will consult with Schools on planning for playgrounds and guide the process of a school enhancement agreement for preparation for the Planning and Facilities committee.

Relevant Board Policy: 625: Sites, Facility and Equipment Enhancements

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Related Documents: