

## **ÉCOLE RIVERDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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Principal: Mr. Jonathan Vervaet Vice Principal: Mr Christopher Naylor

Dear Valued Business,

Can you help our community and students thrive?

École Riverdale Elementary School is in the North Surrey area and has approximately 485 students in both English and French Immersion.

Surrey school district has advised that one of our main playground structures is due for replacement and will be removed this summer in 2022.

It is up to the parents, PAC, and community supports to help raise the funds for a new playground. Our estimated cost to replace the structure will be \$85,000.00 including equipment and installation.

The playground is important for all current and future students at Riverdale, as well children from the surrounding community.

To date, our major fundraising efforts have raised \$53,000! With the existing playground coming out this year, if we cannot come up with these funds, we will have to install a partial playground until we can fund the remainder. This is a worst-case situation and we do not want to let these children down. We know playgrounds provide a positive impact on children's physical, mental and social development. We hope you would agree, that outdoor time needs to be encouraged in today's digital age. We are really hoping for community and business supports to help make our school playground what the kids at Riverdale need and deserve.

The School District may acknowledge donations over \$500 semi-annually by placing an advertisement in the local media or by issuing a semi-annual school district publication. And donations over \$3,000 could be displayed on a permanent plaque at the playground to acknowledge a donor's contribution towards the acquisition or construction of the playground. Please reach out to us to discuss these acknowledgments further.

We kindly ask if your business would consider supporting our students by making a corporate donation to our Playground fund.

Learning, caring and doing our best... Apprendre, s'entendre et faire de son mieux.



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If so, donations can be made to the École Riverdale Playground Fund in the following ways;

- Online: <a href="https://surreyschools.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/829/90/false/true">https://surreyschools.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/829/90/false/true</a>.

  Select <a href="https://surreyschools.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/829/90/false/true">Riverdale Elementary</a> for the fund destination and in the message section, <a href="indicate">indicate</a> "Playground Donation".
  - This money is kept in trust by the school district and released at the time of purchase of the new playground.
- By cheque: Cheques should be <u>made payable to</u> **Surrey School District** and sent to the school at the above address <u>Attn: Riverdale PAC</u>.

Donations of \$25 or more will be issued a tax receipt.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the PAC via email: riverdale.pac@hotmail.com

Thank you in advance for your support and for helping make Riverdale Elementary a wonderful place for our children to grow and learn.

Sincerely, École Riverdale Parent Advisory Committee