



*OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER/ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
(Corporate Services)*

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MEMORANDUM

TO: PARENTS AND GUARDIANS, BISHOP FEILD SCHOOL
FROM: TERRY HALL, CFO/ADE – CORPORATE SERVICES
DATE: FEBRUARY 18, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians:

In December 2019, the District advised the Bishop Feild school community of a water infiltration issue under the gymnasium floor that was posing a problem for the construction project managers with the Department of Transportation and Works (TW). This was an additional problem that was only discovered as a result of the ongoing work.

Transportation and Works currently advises that while the original scope of the project is nearing substantial completion, the cause of the water infiltration remains unresolved. They indicate the root cause is likely inadequate drainage at the foundation level of the gymnasium. However, given the time of year, and conditions at the site, it is not practical to undertake mass excavation to fully investigate this probability and undertake necessary repairs. The District is advised that Transportation and Works remains fully committed to working with the project consultant and the contractor to address this issue appropriately. However, given the current status, it is clear that the move back to Bishop Feild will not occur in this school year, and we are focused on a September, 2020 reopening.

The District shares the school community's disappointment with this delay - and sincerely regrets being the bearer of this unfortunate news. We do not, however, want to return to the facility until all related construction work is complete. If the school is ready for re-occupancy before the end of June, we will use this time to facilitate an orderly move of materials. We would not, however, disrupt students and staff at that late date.

Thank you for your patience throughout this process.