



People advocating for safe, well-maintained public schools

FIX OUR SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN:

Founded in 2014, we are a non-partisan, parent-led, Ontario-wide campaign focused on:

- Ensuring every publicly funded school in Ontario is a **safe, well-maintained, healthy building that provides an environment conducive to learning and working**
- **Eliminating the \$16.3-billion of disrepair** that has been allowed to accumulate in Ontario's schools, which depends upon adequate and stable provincial funding
- Publicly funded schools as **critical public infrastructure that is appropriately funded**

OUR ASKS:

1) Integrate the guiding principles of **adequacy, affordability, equity, stability, flexibility, and accountability**, as outlined in the 2002 Rozanski report, into your government's approach to funding public education.

2) Develop a **standard of good repair** for all of Ontario's publicly funded schools, which goes beyond logging disrepair to include issues such as: classroom temperatures, lead in water, air quality, washroom & lunchroom conditions; and fund this standard.

3) Commit **the additional \$1.6-billion/year investment required** to eliminate the \$16.3-billion of disrepair in Ontario's publicly funded schools in the coming 7-8 years:

+ an additional \$1.3 billion/year in renewal funding (SRA + SCI funding)

+ an additional \$100 million/year to cover amortized cost of rebuilding 346 schools

+ an additional \$165 million/year for operational maintenance in schools

= **TOTAL OF AN ADDITIONAL \$1.6 BILLION PER YEAR** until the \$16.3 repair backlog is eliminated

4) Continue to **collect school disrepair data; and resume the practice adopted by the previous Liberal government of publicly releasing annual updates on this school disrepair data**; adding portables to this process.

5) Consider the 2-million children who spend their days in Ontario's publicly funded school buildings in every decision and interaction you have relative to education. The critical infrastructure we call schools serve not only as places of learning but also places of work, places for daycare, and important community hubs. Your government is in the lead role for working collaboratively to develop the funding solutions needed to solve the massive problem of disrepair and poor conditions in Ontario's schools.

Thank you for your consideration, Krista Wylie, co-founder of Fix Our Schools,
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