

**Capital Construction
Approval Process Updated**
October 1, 2014

		New Schools		Additions		Major Retrofits ¹		FDK
		Repeat Design	New Design	>50% ⁴	<50% ⁴	>50% ⁴	<50% ⁴	Individual Projects >\$250K
Pre-Design	Facility Space Template	Complete template with most recent adaptation (<5 years)	Board to submit template before hiring architect	Board to submit template before hiring architect	Not Required	Board to submit template before hiring architect	Not Required	Not Required
	Project Manager	Board to appoint a Project Manager (either internal staff or external resource). Board to notify Ministry of name and contact info.						
	Ministry Approval	Ministry must approve scope of project based upon submitted Space Template	Ministry must approve scope of project based upon submitted Space Template	Ministry must approve scope of project based upon submitted Space Template	Not Required	Ministry must approve scope of project based upon submitted Space Template	Not Required	Not Required
	GOAL	Board to retain an architect						

Pre-Tender	Independant Cost Consultant Report ³	Submit final cost of recent adaptation (<5 years)	Projects with a total project cost of >\$3.0M	Projects with a total project cost of >\$3.0M	Not Required	Projects with a total project cost of >\$3.0M	Not Required	Not Required
	Approval to Proceed (ATP) Request	Board's senior business official to submit the ATP Request Form confirming total estimated project costs does not exceed board's identified funding.						
	Capital Analysis & Planning Tool (CAPT)	<i>Board to confirm that data entered in the CAPT for the requested project is in line with the data provided through the ATP Request Form.</i>						
	Ministry Approval	Ministry's approval required before proceeding to tender. Approval based on identification of sufficient funding.						
	GOAL	Board to proceed to tender						

Post-Tender	Tender exceed approved funding amount	Board to either identify additional funding available via ATP Request Form or make design changes to reduce the project cost. In either case, the board must demonstrate that sufficient funding is available to complete the project.						
	Tender meet approved funding amount	Board to accept tender bid. Important to ensure all project costs are identified and considered.						

Notes:

¹ Ministry approvals are not required for major retrofits that are 100% funded through Renewal Funding, Good Places to Learn Renewal, Energy Efficiency funding, School Condition improvement funding, School-First Child Care Retrofit Policy funding and FDK funding of less than \$250K.

² Ministry approval is required for any use of Proceeds of Disposition (POD) funding.

³ Consultant to review the design, provide costing analysis and advice and report on options to ensure cost containment. To be based on drawings that are at least 80% complete.

⁴ 50% determined by the following: (Estimated project cost / Latest construction benchmark value of the existing OTG (pre-construction) of the facility)

Definitions: **Addition:** Expansion of the gross floor area of a facility

Major Retrofit: Major structural renovation or reconstruction of the existing building envelop. It does not include expansion of the existing gross floor area. Any project that does expand the gross floor area, but is funded with POD, Ministry funds or >\$1M in Accumulated Surplus is treated as a Major Retrofit.