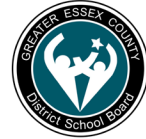


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March 24, 2022

Doug Sweet
33 Talbot Street North
Essex, ON N8M1A8

By email: dsweet@essex.ca

Dear Doug,

I wanted to take this opportunity to provide you an update on the construction of the new JK-12 school in Kingsville. As you may be aware, on March 22, 2022, the Ministry of Education announced the investment of \$59.9 million for the new JK-12 school in Kingsville. Due to price escalation and supply chain issues, the Board worked with the Ministry to obtain additional funding for the construction of the best possible school for the community. Unfortunately, the funding announcement was embargoed by the Ministry of Education until March 23, 2022, preventing the Board from discussing the matter.

During the period of the embargo, the Board has worked diligently to move the project forward within the constraints imposed by the embargo. The tender for the project was awarded, the Site Plan Agreement has been executed and the Board has applied for the building permit. Construction activity is anticipated to begin in April and the Board is aiming for the new school to open in September 2024.

I appreciate the importance of the school to the community and acknowledge the time it has taken time to get to this point. The Board is committed to building an outstanding educational facility for our staff, students and the community.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call directly. I would be happy to meet with you and I look forward to partnering with the community on this exciting new school build.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shelley Armstrong". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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