## news release

## CBE announces consultants for modernization projects

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**CALGARY** — The Calgary Board of Education is pleased to announce the successful architectural and engineering consultants chosen to assist with the planning and design of five new replacement schools and modernization projects.

"We are excited to have these projects move to the next phase as we begin the planning and design to prepare for construction," said Frank Coppinger, superintendent of facilities and environmental services. "We hope to have shovels in the ground on the replacement schools and the renovation work at existing schools started before the end of the year."

In January, the Government of Alberta announced three modernization projects and a replacement school for the CBE:

- Modernizing the vacant Harold W. Riley school building to create an Aboriginal Learning Centre
- Christine Meikle School replacement school
- Bowness High School modernization to enable the delivery of new curriculum
- Jack James High School modernization to enable the delivery of new curriculum

The CBE has also received provincial approval to rebuild the Elbow Park School after it was severely damaged in last year's flood.

The provincial government has turned over responsibility for completing these projects and construction of six new schools to the CBE.

The prime consultant requests for proposals were advertised provincially on the Alberta Procurement website, following the New West Partnership Trade Agreement Process.

Fifty proposal submissions were received by the CBE at the end of March. All submissions were evaluated by a technical team comprising CBE personnel and Alberta Infrastructure and Alberta Education representatives.

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Superintendent Coppinger will be available this afternoon for interviews.

**Date:** Thursday, April 17, 2014

**Time:** 1 p.m

**Place:** Education Centre

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