



## **St. Clair Catholic Enhances Student Learning Environments with Extensive Capital Improvements**

The St. Clair Catholic District School Board is pleased to announce the successful delivery of numerous major capital improvement projects during the 2023-2024 school year. With an investment exceeding \$11 million, these upgrades reflect the Board's commitment to enhancing school facilities and providing high-quality, accessible learning environments that support student achievement.

Below is a summary of key capital projects from this year, along with budget details:

<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Budget</b>
<b>Renovations &amp; Alterations</b>		
Sacred Heart, Port Lambton	Interior Renovations Phase 2	\$4,145,685
Sacred Heart, Sarnia	Additional Interior Renovations	\$2,418,200
St. Joseph, Corunna	Entrance Accessibility Upgrade	\$387,061
St. Pat's	Enrolment Pressure Renovations (Gym & Classroom)	\$608,705
Ursuline College	Cafeteria Renovations	\$237,883
<b>Mechanical &amp; Electrical Projects</b>		
Ursuline College	Xavier and Merici Roof Top Unit Replacement	\$858,952
<b>Building Envelope Projects</b>		
Holy Trinity	Partial Roof Replacement	\$1,450,364
<b>Site Improvements</b>		
St. Pat's	Site Upgrades	\$77,488

### **Additional Capital Projects**

<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Budget</b>
Holy Family	Entrance Accessibility Upgrade	\$50,000
Holy Trinity & St. Matthew	Basketball Backboard Replacement	\$28,000
St. Philip	Flooring Upgrade	\$70,000

### **Naturalized Play Spaces & Outdoor Learning Areas**

St. Michael, Ridgetown	New Fence Installation, Monarch Way Station, Microforest	\$52,000
Various Schools	Outdoor Play Equipment and Learning Spaces	\$192,000

"In a year marked by the opening of two new schools, our capital projects team has taken on an impressive number of upgrades, ensuring that all our students have access to the best possible learning spaces," says Scott Johnson, Director of Education. "The team's hard work and careful use of Ministry funding underscore our commitment to providing modern, well-equipped facilities that enhance student success."

The St. Clair Catholic District School Board extends its gratitude to all team members, as well as to the Board of Trustees for their ongoing support and oversight of these essential projects.

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## **Celebrating Continued Success in Math Achievement through MAAP**

St. Clair Catholic is proud to celebrate the continued success of its Math Achievement Action Plan (MAAP), now in its second year. After a strong 2023-24 academic year, students in priority schools have shown significant gains in math proficiency, surpassing the provincial improvements of comparable schools.

The MAAP, aligned with the Board's strategic goals for student success, has had a substantial impact on math achievement. The initiative's targeted approach—including professional development for educators, integration of digital resources, and support from math facilitators—has strengthened math foundations and increased student engagement.

### **Key Achievements:**

- **Exceptional Growth in Learning:** Students in St. Clair Catholic's priority schools have demonstrated stronger improvements in math. Grade 3 students achieved an 11-percentage-point increase, compared to a 6-point increase provincially. In Grade 6, students' math scores grew by 17 percentage points, surpassing the provincial increase of only 3 points. This achievement is reflected in EQAO assessment results, which show consistent gains exceeding provincial trends in similar schools.
- **Enhanced Support for Educators:** Math facilitators have collaborated with teachers, providing co-teaching, modeling, and targeted interventions to boost student learning and confidence.
- **Effective Integration of Digital Tools:** Digital resources like MathUP and KnowledgeHook have enhanced learning. Real-time emails from KnowledgeHook have helped teachers address student misconceptions promptly.

"We are immensely proud of the progress our students and educators have made through the Math Achievement Action Plan," says Scott Johnson, Director of Education. "This achievement reflects their dedication and commitment to excellence in mathematics. It marks an inspiring milestone as we continue to foster mathematical excellence across our district."



Looking ahead, the next phase of the MAAP will focus on expanding professional development, digital tools, and support for secondary students. Continued collaboration with math facilitators will equip teachers with strategies to address diverse student needs, while MathUP will be further integrated, including a pilot of MathUP Student in priority schools to personalize learning. Additionally, collaboration with secondary educators will address key success indicators, including preparation for the new Ontario Secondary School Diploma requirements.

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