

CITY OF WELLAND

POLICY

Policy Title: Playspace Development Program	
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Policy Statement:

The City of Welland will contribute one-third funding of the playspace development project to a maximum of \$10,000.00, pending budget approval and subject to the following conditions:.

- 1) Schools must be located within the City of Welland boundaries to be considered for acceptance into the program.
- 2) Applications to be considered for the Playspace Development Program must be received by the Parks and Recreation Department in the year prior to the proposed purchase and installation, and no later than September 30.
- 3) The City will be provided detailed specifications of the playspace equipment to be installed. All existing and new playspace equipment on the site must comply with the safety standards established by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) – Children’s Playspaces and Equipment (CAN/CSA-Z614-03) and revisions thereto.
- 4) The funding formula will apply to the purchase and installation of playspace equipment and surfacing.
- 5) Upon completion of the installation, the School Board will inspect and maintain the playspace structures and surface area in accordance with School Board policy and/or Canadian Standards Association (CSA) – Children’s Playspaces and Equipment (CAN/CSA-Z614-03).
- 6) The School Board shall permit public access to the playspace equipment after school hours. Generally, the use of the playspace equipment by members of the public will be pursuant to the following hours:
 - Monday to Friday - after 6:00 pm daily
 - Saturday, Sundays, and school holidays - during daylight hours

During the public access times in July and August, City staff will routinely inspect and maintain the playspace structures and surfaces in accordance with Canadian Standards Association (CSA) – - Children’s Playspaces and Equipment (CAN/CSA-Z614-03).

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- 7) A Letter of Understanding between the School Board and the City of Welland will specify the terms that will remain in effect until such time that the playspace equipment is no longer deemed by the School Board to be in a good and safe state of repair, is taken down, or otherwise removed. In the event that the school is closed and deemed surplus by the School Board within 10 years of equipment installation, the School Board undertakes to pay the costs of removing the playspace equipment and relocating it to a site agreeable to both parties. It is understood that after the passage of 10 years, the playspace equipment will have no residual value due to depreciation.
- 8) The Parks, Recreation and Culture Plan for the City of Welland identifies specific neighbourhood playspace deficiencies, and will serve as a resource during the application review process