



The Corporation of the District of North Vancouver

CORPORATE POLICY MANUAL

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Title:	PLAYGROUND DEVELOPMENT ON SCHOOL GROUNDS	3

POLICY

The District of North Vancouver will provide grants to non-profit school organizations for playground equipment on School District #44 lands, deemed by Council to be contributing to the benefit of the community, and in accordance with the criteria established.

Reason For Policy

To facilitate construction of cost-shared playground equipment to enhance public school playgrounds, recognizing that they provide an amenity of general benefit to the community.

PROCEDURE

Applicant will liaise with the Manager – Parks, or designate, who will review applications on an annual basis, and prepare a report for Council's consideration.

Applications Are To Include The Following Information:

- Letter describing playground proposal
- School population
- Age and condition of existing equipment to be replaced, or new equipment to be required
- Site plan
- Project costs (i.e. equipment, installation etc)
- Information on playground equipment (i.e. company name, picture of equipment, warranty, CSA safety information)
- Construction schedule, including anticipated date of project completion
- List of other funding sources (i.e. other grants, fund raising etc.)
- Letter of support from School District and School Principal

Deadline

The deadline for applications shall be January 31 for grants to be considered in that year.

Criteria

- 1) Playground improvements must be located on North Vancouver School District #44 lands, or other District lands adjacent to school site, with the consent of the owner.
- 2) Playground equipment must be subject to a Joint Use Agreement between DNV and North Vancouver School District #44. Under the agreement, the NVSD #44 will be responsible for the installation and maintenance of all playgrounds, provision of liability insurance, and the installation of permanent signage that recognizes the funding partners.

- 3) Playground projects and funding levels/contributions will be considered based on the following criteria:
- Number of students in school, and scope of project in relation to size of school
 - Inventory, age, condition and safety of existing play equipment on school grounds
 - Previous funding received from District for other school playground projects
 - Potential for community use of playground, particularly in neighbourhood park deficient areas.
- 4) The District's maximum contribution to a playground in a given year, will be \$15,000; except in extraordinary circumstances, the District may consider, subject to funding availability, increasing its contribution to the capital cost based upon local park deficiency, community need, and the school's ability to fund raise.
- 5) Groups must be actively seeking monies from other funding sources, fundraising or contributing their own funds to the project.
- 6) Projects should be completed within one year of funding approval.
- 7) No retroactive funding applications will be considered.

AUTHORITY TO ACT

Retained by Council

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