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School District 57 Building New Child Care Centre in Mackenzie

Prince George, B.C., August 21, 2024 – Further to the September 28, 2023, [news release](#) School District 57 is pleased to provide an update on the new 62-space child care centre to be located at 32 Heather Crescent in Mackenzie. BC.

In September 2023 funding support was provided from the federal and provincial governments through the ChildCareBC New Spaces Fund. Demolition of the former Mackenzie Elementary school was completed in October 2023 and the project went through a rigorous design and budget process from September 2023 to February 2024. Rising construction costs resulted in a budget shortfall, and approval for additional funding from the federal and provincial governments was confirmed in June 2024. The project was tendered in July 2024 and awarded to Datoff Bros. Construction. Datoff Bros. Construction has provided general contracting services across British Columbia and Alberta since 1991.

Construction of the new child care centre is expected to begin in September 2024 with completion of the project anticipated in the fall of 2025. The centre will provide 12 child care spaces under 36 months, 25 child care spaces 30 months to school age, and 25 school age child care spaces.

Board of Education Chair Craig Brennan stated “The Board of Education is thrilled with the plans for the new Child Care Centre in Mackenzie and we are looking forward to supporting this necessary service for the caregivers and children of Mackenzie and the surrounding areas.”

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