Edmonton Public Schools - Closed Schools and Uses

Edmonton Public Schools has an inventory of 17 closed schools. Current uses of closed schools include: other district purposes, and leasing to other school jurisdictions, community service agencies and other agencies as tenants. The list below provides a list of closed schools, the year it was closed in brackets and a brief description of past and current uses.

Closed Schools Sold by EPSB

(Year Closed) [Year Sold]

Central School (1973)

• Sold to Grant MacEwan College for Jasper Place Campus development.

Canora School (1973)

• Sold to Turkish Canadian Cultural Society [1999]; used as a cultural centre and child care (Playground dedicated to the City of Edmonton).

Cromdale School (1980)

• Sold to Capital Health Authority [2005]; Incorporated into the Eastwood Health Centre.

McQueen School (1984)

• Sold to Edmonton Christian Schools [1999]; Continues to be used to accommodate students.

H. A. Gray School (1984)

• Partially acquired by the City of Edmonton as parkland (playground dedicated); building and some land sold to Vanguard College [2005] for use as a bible college, college residence, child care centre and the development of a Shepherd's Care senior's aging-in-place care building.

Westview Village School (2000)

• Sold to Millwoods Christian School Society [2001]; Continues to be used to accommodate students at Millwoods Christian School.

Bellevue School (2003)

• Sold to the Distinctive Employment Counseling Services of Alberta (DECSA), a community based nonprofit organization that operates a centre that supports people with barriers to employment, by successfully training and placing them in the workplace [2013].

Strathearn (Junior High) School (2005)

• Sold to the Greater North Central Francophone School District [2006]; Houses Ecolé Gabrielle Roy (Grades K-12).

North Edmonton School (2005)

• Partially acquired by the City of Edmonton as parkland, and the building and some land sold to Excel Society, who renovated and expanded the building into Balwin Village, an enhanced Designated Living site designed specifically for clients with early onset dementia, mental illness or brain injury.

Closed School Acquired by the City of Edmonton

(Year Closed) [Year Sold]

Beverly Heights School (1981)

• Acquired by the City of Edmonton [1999]; Building demolished for open space.

Argyll School (1983)

• Acquired by the City of Edmonton [2007]; Building demolished for open space.

Strathearn Elementary School (1983)

• Acquired by the City of Edmonton [1999]; Building demolished for open space.

Prince Rupert School (1995)

• Acquired by the City of Edmonton [2012]; Building scheduled for demolition to facilitate development of a new community league facility.

Closed Schools Retained by EPSB

(Year Closed)

Donald Ross School (1974)

• Since 2009, the facility is used by an Aboriginal artists group. The building previously served as the 1978 Commonwealth Games planning committee offices, the 2001 World Track and Field Games planning committee, and the City of Edmonton - River Valley Outdoor Centre.

Alex Taylor School (2001)

• Has served as the centre for Edmonton City Centre Church Corporation (E4C) since September 2001. The E4C delivers multiple programs including adult literacy, hot lunch programs, family counseling services, and services to schools in mature areas of the city.

Sherbrooke School (2003)

• Leased to Aurora Charter School Society since 2007; previously housed Metro Continuing Education as well as multiple tenants, including the Shumka Dancers.

Wellington School (2005)

• Leased to the City of Edmonton, who lease it to the Council of African Canadians for the delivery of a wide range of services to Edmonton families who are originally from Africa, and to the Winnifred Stewart Association to provide services to adults with developmental disabilities.

Ritchie School (2008)

• Leased to Greater North-Central Francophone School District (Ecole Joseph-Moreau for Grades 7 to 9).

Capilano School (2010)

• Leased to Suzuki Charter School Society since September 2010.

Eastwood School (2010)

• The building has been used by Alberta Justice and Solicitor General as a training centre.

Fulton Place School (2010)

• Serves as a community services hub with a variety of tenants that include the Victorian Order of Nurses, The Alberta Caregivers, The Learning Disabilities Association of Alberta - Edmonton Chapter, South Side Dance Experience, and L'Arche Association of Edmonton.

Fulton Place Annex (unknown)

• Leased to the Fulton Child Care Association/Fulton Out - of - School Association.

McCauley School (2010)

• Used as the Multicultural Health Brokers and The Intercultural Daycare, serving immigrant and refugee families.

Parkdale School (2010)

• Leased to Bent Arrow Traditional Healing Society providing support to Aboriginal children, youth, and their families.

<u>Closed Schools Retained for Other EPSB Uses</u> (Year Closed)

Bennett School (1973)

• Serves since 1981 as the Bennett Centre, an educational field trip destination for Alberta schools offering day programs, overnight school programs, environmental lessons, and outdoor activities.

McKay Avenue School (1983)

• Serves as the District's Archives and Museum, providing archival records services, and interactive educational programming for students on early Edmonton history and early Canadian and provincial government history, in an authentically restored historical setting.

Queen Mary Park School (2001)

• Houses several different central services groups, including Human Resources and ancillary space for Bennett Centre.

Idylwylde School (2002)

• Serves as a Metro Continuing Education site used predominantly for adult English Language Learning programming.

Terrace Heights School (2005)

• Serves as the Argyll Home Education Centre, providing support and services to families and students enrolled in distance learning and home educated programs.

Newton School (2007)

• Since September 2008, houses School Service Teams providing support to District schools and schools in the Edmonton region, in relation extra supports and services for students with individualized needs.

Woodcroft School (2008)

• Houses the Institute for Innovation in Second Languages Education, a language centre housing teacher resources and supports for the numerous languages taught in the District.