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Me. Geneviève Dugré  
Secretary General, Lester B. Pearson School Board  
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Subject: Consultation Response “Three Year Plan of Allocation and Destination of Immovables 2018-2021”

Dear Me. Dugré,

In regard to this proposed policy, the Special Needs Advisory Committee would like to encourage the Council of Commissioners to keep in mind that there are many important services and programs for students with special needs that are housed at the different LBPSB schools and centres. Some examples include, but are not limited to, the LIFE Program, REACH program and various Work Oriented Training Path (WOTP) Programs.

Change may be very challenging for many students with special needs. The Special Needs Advisory Committee would like to strongly encourage that special consideration be made to maintain all of the current services and programs in the current locations, with the least amount of disruption or change for these students as possible. In addition, if changes must be made to the locations of these programs that would require a greater travel time for these students, this could be problematic. Therefore the committee would like to recommend that special transportation arrangements be considered.

Special consideration must also be made to accommodate students who require physical accommodations such as ramps, wheelchair friendly bathrooms, elevators and accessible handicapped parking spaces that are clearly marked.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this consultation.

Respectfully,

Jennifer DiMarco  
Chairperson, Special Needs Advisory Committee, 2017-2018