

Child Care Studio and Volleyball Court Community Consultation

Proposed Child Care Buildings and Parking Location

In 2018, the Greater Victoria School District (GVSD) applied to the Ministry of Children and Family Development to create new child care spaces on a number of Greater Victoria School District properties. The GVSD was successful in all their applications and received funding for a number of elementary school locations—Frank Hobbs, Doncaster, Macaulay, Victoria West, and Tillicum, to name a few. The Greater Victoria School District has applied for further child care funding and was approved for two exclusive child care units at the Esquimalt Secondary school site.

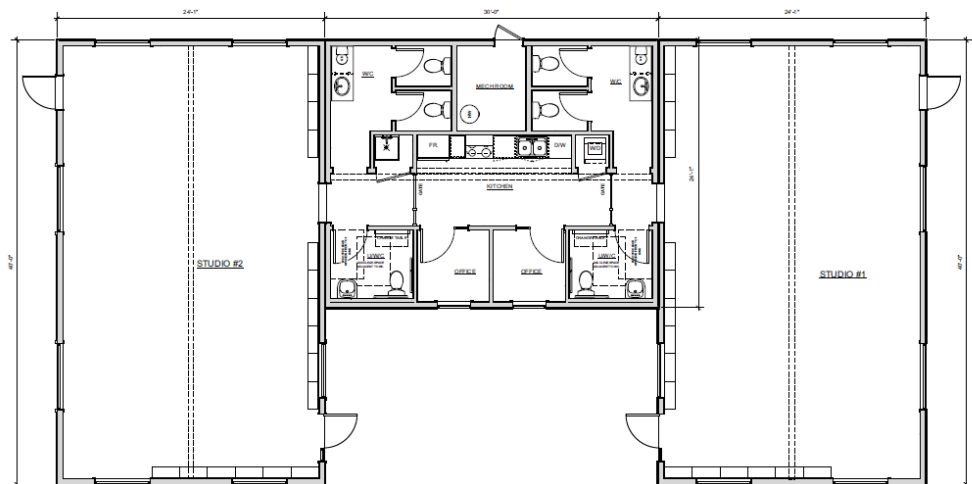
The child care units are built by GVSD employees, with two dry units attached to one wet unit that includes six bathrooms, storage, and a full kitchen as per the licensing requirements. The child care units will be licensed with one unit offering full-time infant/toddler care and the other unit licensed for full time care for children ages 3-5 years old. The child care area will have a dedicated fenced area for participants with dedicated parking spots for child care staff within the current lot and dedicated drop off / pick up parking for child care families.

There are five proposed volleyball courts within the site plan that will be enclosed with fencing for school and community use. The courts will be built and maintained by a third party with student use during school hours and community use outside regular school hours.

All child care spots will be open to the Esquimalt Secondary school population first and the community second. The child care units will allow the students at Esquimalt Secondary to obtain practicum hours in a child care setting for graduation requirements. The GVSD is still in the process of finalizing child care providers for the approved sites and will not be taking waitlist applications. Please visit the following website for more information on child care providers, waitlist, and build information: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/news-events/community/childcare-studios/>

The GVSD has started to consult on the proposed location for the child care units by meeting with school community members. The GVSD is wanting to extend consultation to the surrounding community. We welcome your feedback if you are interested. Please send feedback via email to community@sd61.bc.ca by December 2nd, 2022.

Appendix A – Conceptual Design Layout for Child Care Units



Appendix B – Proposed Location for Child Care Units and Volleyball Courts on the Esquimalt Secondary School Site
Please note the proposed location for five volleyball courts are in yellow with the child care units and play space in green.
Dedicated child care parking will be allocated with the current school lot.

