

## TRUSTEES GET SNEAK PREVIEW OF NEW GYM AND FACILITIES AT O'GORMAN INTERMEDIATE CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Trustees were treated to a sneak preview of the brand new gymnasium at O’Gorman Intermediate Catholic School, which is scheduled to be open to the students in the coming weeks.

In addition to the new sports facility, the former gymnasium and adjacent area were renovated and will now serve as a music room and lunch area, as well as additional classroom space to accommodate rising enrolment at the school.

Board Chair Colleen Landers was thrilled to see the new addition to the school, with vibrant colours and designs. “Our physical education program will be able to thrive with a regulation size gym, more appropriate for our 220 grade 7 and 8 students at OICS,” stated Landers. “Now in a position to welcome official sporting events here thanks to these enhancements and additional change rooms. We will also be able to move our growing music program out of the portable and into a beautiful new room,” stated Landers. “The program has experienced so much growth in the past year, with the school choir and the introduction of a band class this year. Our dynamic music teacher is enthusiastic about the opportunity for our students to hone their instrumental and vocal talent in the spacious new room.”

Timmins Trustee Peter Del Guidice believes that this project was long called for. “This major capital project at O’Gorman Intermediate Catholic School is just another phase of the Board’s investment in our facilities,” noted Del Guidice. “Our committed teaching and support staff have created an environment that students want to be part of, which has resulted in an increase in enrolment in recent years. A few years ago we invested in a shop class and equipment for a construction technology program along with a family studies room. Along with the science and computer labs completed in past years, we now offer facilities that are fully reflective of the needs of the intermediate level students who attend this great school.”

The building was devised by the firm of ANO Architects/Architectes Inc. The construction of the project was overseen by local general contractors Cy Rheault Construction Limited.

Students have already starting using the new classroom space and music room. They will be welcomed into the gymnasium in the near future. An official opening and ribbon cutting ceremony will be planned in the coming weeks.

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**Peter Del Guidice (Trustee), Darren Berthier (Principal), Paul Keating (Trustee), Colleen Landers (Chair of the Board), Steve Malciw (Trustee), Liz King (Trustee) and Rick Brassard (Trustee) get their first look at the new music room.**

