February 3, 2025

The Regional Education Officer

Department of Education

Region 10

Republic Avenue

Mackenzie

Dear Ms. Matthews

| **NO.** | **SCHOOL** | **ADDRESS** | **DESCRIPTION** | **JUSTIFICATION** |
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|  | Watooka Day | 92 Riverside Drive, Watooka, Mackenzie | Extension needed in 2025 | Due to the new teacher-to-pupil ratio, additional classrooms are required. The school currently has five blocks. The Grade 1 and 2 classrooms are housed in buildings that are cramped and do not meet Non-Academic Standards. Additionally, the Grade 4 building shakes during heavy winds, while the Grade 3 block experiences persistent waterlogging whenever it rains. |
|  | Regma Primary | Independence Avenue | Extension needed in 2025 | The school is currently overcrowded and struggling to accommodate its learners. Due to the teacher-to-pupil ratio, there is a need for additional classrooms. To address this issue, the construction of four additional classrooms is required. |
|  | Kwakwani Primary | Kwakwani, Berbice River | Extension needed in 2025. | The school is currently overcrowded. Some classrooms are housed in the auditorium, where learning is frequently disrupted by school activities. Constructing independent classrooms will help eliminate these distractions and create a more conducive learning environment. |
|  | Aroaima Primary | Aroaima, Berbice River | Extension needed in 2025. | This Grade D school has a very small building without distinct classrooms. As a result, the learning environment often becomes chaotic during lessons, making it less conducive to effective learning. An extension would create a more structured space, allowing for better teaching and learning. Additionally, the school currently lacks adequate space for a library. At present, it accommodates 65 pupils. |
|  | Atonement Primary | Ebini, Berbice River | Extension needed in 2025. | This Grade E school lacks distinct classrooms, leading to a chaotic learning environment that disrupts teaching and learning. An extension would provide a more structured space, fostering a more effective educational experience. It is proposed that the lower flat of the building be backfilled and enclosed to accommodate classrooms. Currently, the school has an enrolment of 17 students. |
|  | Kimbia Primary | Kimbia, Berbice River | Extension needed in 2025. | This Grade E school lacks distinct classrooms, resulting in a chaotic learning environment that disrupts teaching and learning. An extension would create a more structured and conducive space, allowing for more effective education. Currently, the school has an enrolment of 45 students. |
|  | Sandhills Primary | Sandhills, Berbice River | New School needed in 2026. | This Grade D school is currently overcrowded, with a growing student population of 65 pupils. The building is supported by low stilts, which cause water to accumulate underneath whenever it rains. Expanding the school or improving its structure is essential to provide a safer and more conducive learning environment. |