



Major work at FACE
First meeting of the *Comité de vigie de FACE* (CVF - FACE Monitoring Committee)
held on December 6, 2017

Dear parents and FACE community members,

As many of you know, the *Comité de vigie de FACE (CVF)* —which was put together following the CSDM announcement that our school requires major renovations—met for the first time on December 6th.

This inaugural meeting was an opportunity for representatives from our school (teachers, students, parents, and administration) and CSDM administration to sit together. The school commission summed the situation up for us, and explained what their work consists of. Note that we are speaking with the representatives of four different CSDM departments.

This meeting also allowed us to determine the work each committee member needs to do in the coming weeks and months.

Our current challenge is to define FACE's specific needs as clearly as possible (logistics, technical, space, physical layouts) in order for our unique program to work. This isn't about determining how many classrooms we need, for example, but rather how classrooms can meet our program's key requirements.

Over the next few weeks, the parents and teachers in the CVF will work to outline these needs (based on criteria to be determined by January) for the part of the school they represent.

At the present time, we can confirm the following:

1. The committee has begun to think about this process at a very early stage, which will allow us to be better prepared for any eventuality.
2. As it stands now, no plans or changes whatsoever are in the works for FACE's immediate future. We must first clearly define our needs and, no matter what plan is chosen in future, we are also entirely dependent on the government's decision—a decision we cannot foresee at the moment. The only thing that's certain is that our school requires major renovation work.
3. In our estimation, the time it will take to come up with a plan, quote, and public calls for tender, as well as the fact that the government will probably not get back to us

before September 2018, means we're pretty positive that at least the next two school years will be held at 3449 University.

4. No one knows what will happen after that. Anything you hear in the media or during public meetings is pure speculation that's not based on fact.

The CVF has already scheduled our next meetings for January, February and March. Two of these meetings will take place without representatives from the CSDM, and the other will include all members. In the latter, the CSDM will present us with all work done and still to come, and we will take this opportunity to share our specific needs, which we will have clearly defined by then.

In light of this first meeting, we as representatives of our community are very confident that our concerns will be heard and that we will soon be able to analyse possible scenarios. We are committed to keeping you informed of any progress via communications like this, as well as during meetings of the Governing Board.

Should you have any questions for the CVF in the meantime, feel free to write to ceecoleface@gmail.com. We are committed to reading every email and responding as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Your *Comité de vigie de FACE* members

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