

A COMMUNITY SPORTS HUB IN ORLÉANS

A new sports hub will give people in and around Orléans access to top-quality, state-of-the-art athletic facilities. The Conseil des écoles catholiques du Centre-Est (CECCE) wants to create this hub by building a sports dome on the football field at École secondaire catholique Garneau.

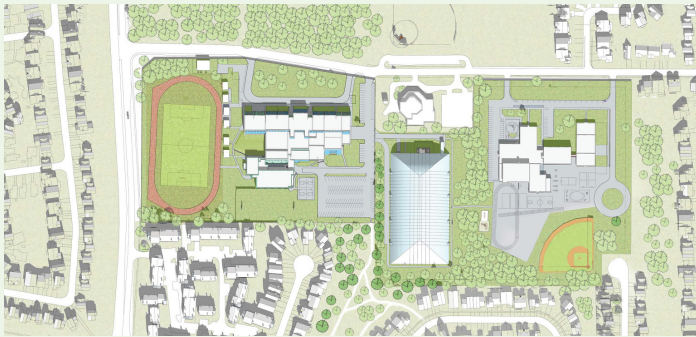
Listening to the community

In order to meet the needs and expectations of families, the CECCE first took the time to consult community members and then presented the best possible version of the project. Following the consultations, the CECCE made significant changes to the original plans and is now putting forward a proposal that will bring the community together and engage local partners and sports organizations.

Consultation participants:

- Members of parent councils at all CECCE elementary and high schools in Orléans
- Orléans community members and partners
- City of Ottawa
- Châteauneuf and Chapel Hill North community associations

Original proposal



Original location

Original plans sited the dome on the two baseball diamonds at École élémentaire catholique Saint-Joseph d'Orléans.

Original size

73 m wide by 137 m long by 23 m high

Access to parking

Under City by-laws, existing parking spaces on the grounds of École secondaire catholique Garneau were adequate to meet the needs of people using the new sports hub.

Landscaping

The original plan included the creation of green spaces.

Changes based on the community's needs and expectations



New dome location

To distance the dome from nearby homes, the CECCE agreed to relocate it to the west and build it on the existing football field at École secondaire catholique Garneau.

Reduced size

60 m wide by 137 m long by 18 m high. The CECCE reduced the size of the dome and will comply with the local zoning by-law regulating the size of athletic infrastructure.

Added parking

To accommodate dome users and reduce the impact on surrounding streets, 33 parking spaces will be added near the sports dome.

Changes to landscaping

In addition to the many green spaces in the original plan, the CECCE will add trees and install a fence near family homes. In response to recommendations from the community, the CECCE now plans to demolish the former La Source school located at 1550 Vercheres St. behind École élémentaire catholique Saint-Joseph d'Orléans.

The CECCE took the community's recommendations into consideration

- The dome will be equipped with an efficient ventilation system to maintain peace and quiet in the neighbourhood.
- Equipment located outside the dome will be enclosed to minimize noise.
- The area around the dome will be developed in accordance with City of Ottawa stormwater management standards.

The sports hub:

will be available to the entire community

- students at École secondaire catholique Garneau
- students at École élémentaire catholique Saint-Joseph d'Orléans and other CECCE schools in the area
- all CECCE students
- the Mouvement d'implication francophone d'Orléans (MIFO)
- Orléans residents
- members and guests of sports organizations

will accommodate a wide range of sports

- football
- volleyball
- soccer
- pickleball
- baseball
- tennis
- walking
- running
- yoga
- and many more

will benefit the Orleans community

- As the only top-of-the-line facility of its kind in Orléans, it will support community members' physical and athletic growth and development.
- It will enhance sport-study programs for students.
- It will make a broader range of sports and recreation opportunities available to residents.
- It will serve as a focal point to bring the whole community together.
- It will enable people to engage in sports and recreation activities all year long no matter the weather.

The Conseil des écoles catholiques du Centre-Est is confident that this sports hub will benefit the community of Orléans and the surrounding area and that it will become a central meeting place for residents, organizations and sports teams.

Potential partners

The proposed sports dome has already engaged a number of high-profile partners that will enhance the services available to local residents. Numerous partners have expressed interest in working with the CECCE to provide a range of sport-study programs and a huge variety of sports and leisure programs that will meet the needs of community members of all ages outside of school hours.

« The MIFO believes that a new sports dome at École secondaire catholique Garneau would benefit the community of Orléans by providing a venue to play a variety of sports and host sporting events. The whole community will be better off. »

Trèva Cousineau, President of the Mouvement d'implication francophone d'Orléans (MIFO).

« A training centre in the new dome will make Maverick Ottawa's premier volleyball club by enabling us to enhance our programs and inspire our players to become top performers. »

Kerry MacLean, President of the Maverick Volleyball Club

« The Orléans Bengals Minor Football Association is delighted at the prospect of a new sports dome in Orléans. It will enable us to offer a broader range of programs for girls and boys and hold practices all year round. »

George Zigoumis, président de l'Association de football mineur des Bengals d'Orléans



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