

## 2018 Provincial Election

Vote  
for the  
candidate  
who will

Fix  
Our  
Schools

**Fix Our Schools** is a grassroots, non-partisan campaign which has created a network of parents, students, grandparents, teachers, principals, education workers and community members. We all believe that every publicly funded school in Ontario must be:

- A safe, healthy, well-maintained building that provides an environment conducive to learning and working.
- Funded as a key component of our public infrastructure.



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# The Fix Our Schools campaign is gearing up for the 2018 provincial election. YOU can help to make the campaign a success!

Across Ontario, publicly funded schools are in a state of serious disrepair. In fact, 20 years of gross and chronic underfunding by the provincial government has allowed \$15.9 billion of disrepair to accumulate in Ontario's schools.

Disrepair in schools takes many forms, including: cold classrooms; hot classrooms; leaky roofs and ceilings; mold; vermin; broken washroom fixtures and stall doors; walls that are so overdue for fresh paint they can no longer be cleaned; broken railings, windows and doors – and the list goes on.

Surely, the children and adults who spend their days learning and working in Ontario's schools deserve better. A former Minister of Education said the following in 2004:

**Ultimately, school conditions reflect the state of commitment of one generation to the advancement of the next.**

With your help, we will be urging provincial candidates to sign the **Fix Our Schools Pledge** (See next panel). The Pledge is a commitment to the standards and funding needed to truly fix Ontario's schools and a commitment to the advancement of the next generation of Ontario students.



## The Fix Our Schools campaign will visit candidates in the 2018 provincial election to seek their commitment to safe, healthy, well-maintained schools in Ontario. Candidates will be urged to sign this pledge:

I,

candidate for the riding:

### Pledge to the People of Ontario that I Will:

- 1 Support the development of an Ontario-wide **"State of Good Repair Standard"** for all publicly funded schools so that these public assets are safe, healthy, well-maintained buildings that provide environments conducive to learning and working;
- 2 Support the provision of adequate, stable funding needed to ensure that by 2022 all Ontario schools meet this **"State of Good Repair Standard"**.

Please sign, then scan and send to [info@fixourschools.ca](mailto:info@fixourschools.ca)

SignatureDate

A group of diverse school children smiling.

Fix Our Schools logo.

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# Here s what YOU can do to Fix Our Schools!

- 1 Visit the campaign website [fixourschools.ca](http://fixourschools.ca) to find out more about the issue and to stay up to date with the campaign.
- 2 Join with others in your community to raise awareness of the disrepair problem and its causes by speaking out and by circulating campaign materials.A man and a woman looking at a Fix Our Schools poster. The poster has text: "The \$15.9 billion backlog is highly visible in schools across Ontario. Not only is this unsafe, depressing and unsettling, buildings that are not well maintained deteriorate and become increasingly expensive to repair." and the website "fixourschools.ca".
- 3 Invite others to join the campaign by joining our email distribution list via [fixourschools.ca](http://fixourschools.ca), and by following us on Facebook and Twitter.
- 4 Document disrepair in your local schools. Send your photos and stories to [info@fixourschools.ca](mailto:info@fixourschools.ca)A hand holding a smartphone showing a photo of a school hallway.
- 5 Pressure all MPP candidates in the 2018 election to sign the **Fix Our Schools Pledge!**