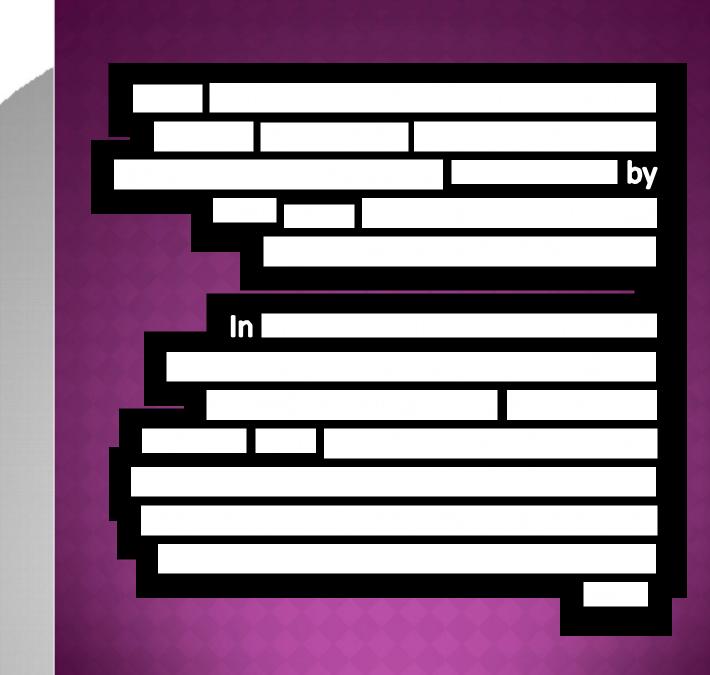
# ACCESSIBLE PLAY STRUCTURE

SOUTH RIDGE
PUBLIC SCHOOL

## WE BELIEVE NO CHILD SHOULD BE LEFT ON THE SIDELINES

We are here on behalf of South Ridge Parent Council Playground Committee as well as the families of South Ridge. South Ridge subdivision is an active area for young families. Our playground and school area is the heart of our subdivision. Many families enjoy the use of both the Town park and the parks on the school grounds.

WE BELIEVE THAT ALL CHILDREN DESERVE TO EXPERIENCE THE THRILL AND SOCIAL INTERACTION THAT COMES WITH PHYSICAL PLAY.



## WHAT MAKES A PLAYGROUND INACCESSIBLE?

- Playgrounds that are not new may not be inclusive of kids with disabilities. For instance, playgrounds can be inaccessible by having:
- Multilevel platforms
- Stairs
- Narrow walkways
- Monkey bars
- Bucket swings
- Swings
- Slides (plastic or metal)
- Playgrounds with multilevel platforms with stairs make playing hard for a child with a mobility impairment. Narrow walkways do not allow wheelchair users to move freely. Furthermore, monkey bars and bucket swings are not impairment friendly.
- Another challenge for kids with impairments are ground covers, such as:
- Sand
- Woodchips
- Gravel

Accessibility features for Ontario playgrounds for kids with disabilities include:

Wide walkways Handrails Ramps
Interactive games
Inclusive overhead climbers
ground cover that allows those with wheelchairs to come up to the
equipment



Accessible playgrounds also work to incorporate the entire family into the fun, mindful that there are plenty of parents and grandparents with disabilities or mobility impairments who would love to take their children and grandchildren to the park but are physically unable to.

WHICH BRINGS US TO OUR REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY FUNDS....

#### WHAT IS OUR GOAL AND/OR PURPOSE HERE TODAY???

We are looking to raise \$ 60,000 PLUS... to replace existing inaccessible playground structure on the North side of South Ridge Public school.

Our goal is to make our playground accessible, per the AODA (Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act) by incorporating some accessible ground level pieces of equipment. Such items might include an accessible trapeze beam or an accessible paddle power unit as well as accessible ground cover.

#### WHAT HAVE WE DONE SO FAR?

- -CRAFT SALES
- -PAINT NIGHTS
- -COIN FUNDRAISERS
- -SILFNT AUCTIONS
- -ONLINE AUCTIONS
- -CHILDREN MADE AND SOLD THEIR OWN PRODUCTS
- -OBTAINED DONATIONS FROM BUSINESSES

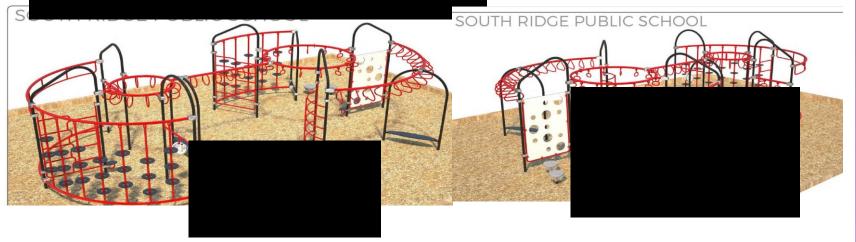
CURRENTLY WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY \$ 15,500.

## WE HAVE OBTAINED SOME BASIC DESIGNS WITH ESTIMATED COSTS

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Includes 2 accessible components
Orbis Accessible Trapeze Beam1 Orbis Accessible Paddle Power2

System is mostly deckless to allow new and exciting challenges to our older students. Encouraging fitness-forward play.

The surfacing that has been quoted is Engineered Wood Fiber (playground mulch) which is considered an accessible material for surfacing. Many schools and parks use this surfacing due to cost effectiveness vs the use of poured rubber.



Accessible stationary cycler and again mostly deckless system. Same ground cover as last drawing

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