

April 15, 2020

Hon. Stephen Lecce  
Minister of Education  
5th Floor  
438 University Ave.  
Toronto, ON  
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Dear Minister Lecce,

**Reference: Need for Clarity on School Construction and COVID-19**

The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) is the voice of the engineering profession. We represent the entire engineering community in Ontario, including professional engineers, engineering graduates and students who work or will work in several of the most strategic sectors of the economy. As an advocacy organization, OSPE examines policy issues from an engineering perspective.

It has come to our attention that there is a lack of clarity on school construction during these unprecedented times. There are specific concerns about the lack of consistency across the province's school districts.

**OSPE supports the letter sent by the Ontario General Contractors Association (OGCA) on April 15 (found attached) detailing the concerns at some school construction sites, as well as the call for the Government of Ontario to provide more clarity.**

OSPE appreciates the province's leadership in these unprecedented times and looks forward to continuing working with the government to ensure Ontarians remain healthy and safe, while ensuring essential construction continues.

Sincerely,



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