

More money for school construction

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VANCOUVER - Premier Gordon Campbell and Education Minister Tom Christensen have announced an additional \$315 million for school construction and upgrades over the next three years.

Christensen says the extra funding will support 39 projects in 2006 and 2007.

The projects include seven new schools and 80 new buses.

Also included is \$89 million in new funding for seismic improvements at 11 schools in high-risk earthquake zones.

The group, Families for School Seismic Safety, is applauding the new money, but wants to see the timeline for the upgrades moved up.