

Playground Replacement Vendor Comparison & Summary

Prepared by Sullivan Playground Replacement Committee

A Brief History

Sullivan Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) was notified in early 2019 that our playground would need to be replaced in July 2022. In anticipation of this replacement, a small committee was formed who worked with our school's principal to identify district approved vendors and begin the research into environmental impacts, playground design and eventually cost for replacement. There are now 12 members on the Playground Replacement Project Committee who are committed to seeing the project through, engaging our students and their families where possible and leading fundraising efforts.

Comparisons between Final Two Vendors - [Habitat Systems](#) and [Swing Time Distributors](#)

Swing Time Positives

- Great designs suitable for all ages and abilities

Swing Time Constraints

- Lengthy response time on most communications
- Lack of experience, primarily with our tree root system
- Closed circuit could be limiting to the number of users at one time
- Lacking fundraising support compared to Habitat

Habitat Positives

- Great design suitable for all ages and abilities
- Strong industry reputation across Metro Vancouver and specifically SD36
- Designated fundraising department equipped to assist us in raising funds
- Allow us to form a building committee to reduce installation fees
- Very responsive and professional
- New monkey bar design proven to be safe with the addition of a suspension bridge

Habitat Constraints

- Higher quote

After many vendor meetings and discussions, on site visits and lengthy debate our committee is recommending we proceed with Habitat as our approved vendor.

We plan for one final opportunity for Sullivan parents to provide feedback on the recommended vendor and design prior to the final approval. Join us November 2 at 7pm as we showcase our recommendation and welcome all feedback. Once our vendor has been selected, we will finally get to proceed with the necessary fundraising efforts. It will take the entire Sullivan community to bring these plans to fruition. With a monumental task in front of us we welcome new committee members and fundraising ideas. Please email sullivanplayground@gmail.com for more information.