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We therefore strongly urge the province to amend the *Education Act* requiring publicly funded schools to provide extended day/year round programming where there is sufficient parent demand. A seamless transition from the school day into before and after school and summer programming for all 4- to 12-year-olds is a rationale and effective way of utilizing the existing assets in publicly funded education to meet the needs of modern families.