



**West Hamilton Accommodation Review  
Working Group Meeting #1  
Wednesday December 14, 2016  
6:00 pm**

**Hess St  
107 Hess St. North,  
Hamilton, Ontario**

**Agenda**

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| 1. Welcome and Introductions  |         |
| 2. Housekeeping Items   | 10 mins |
| 3. Correspondence   | 5 mins  |
| 4. Overview of Binder   | 45 mins |
| 5. Public Meeting January 11, 2016 –<br>Discussion/Format/Questions | 30 mins |
| 6. Next Steps   |         |



**West Hamilton City  
Correspondence - Working Group Meeting #1, December 14/2016**

Date of Correspondence: November 23, 2016

As a parent of students at Earl Kitchener, I reviewed the documents posted online and several questions came to mind:

1. Why is the FI boundary for EK not considered as part of this review process? Changing it would decrease the number of students at the school.
2. If the preferred option goes ahead when would the renovations (new gym etc) occur at EK?
3. The new gym and other renovations appear like they will reduce the outside space available for students to play in; how will this be mitigated given that EK already has a very small area for the kids to play at recess/before school etc?
4. Does the Board ever build two story gyms (ie. a gym overtop another gym) to provide additional space for students/classes?
5. I noticed that the preferred school size is 6 ac, with EK being well beneath that size. Does this review process consider the option of expropriating houses abutting the school property to increase the size of the school yard? At EK the site could be increased significantly by expropriating 2-3 of the houses that abut the parking lot/playground. Funds will be presumably raised for such a venture when Hess School is closed and the property sold.

French Immersion bussing information was not included in section 3.5 of the Initial Report. The purpose of the update is to provided FI bussing data. Please see below.

In 2015/2016, 396 eligible riders were provided transportation in the West Hamilton area which is approximately 10% of students.

<b>School</b>	<b>Total Students</b>	<b>Eligible Riders</b>	<b>Percentage of Students</b>
<b>Bennetto</b>	491	143	29%
<b>Cathy Wever</b>	631	14	2%
<b>Central</b>	266	0	0%
<b>Dr Davey</b>	528	13	2%
<b>Earl Kitchener (ENG)</b>	204	16	8%
<b>Earl Kitchener (FI)</b>	355	82	23%
<b>Hess St</b>	313	0	0%
<b>Queen Victoria</b>	540	50	9%
<b>Ryerson (ENG)</b>	228	32	14%
<b>Ryerson (FI)</b>	142	46	32%
<b>Strathcona</b>	204	0	0%
<b>Total</b>	3902	396	10%

Room Requirements

**West Hamilton City September 2016 Available Space**

***Bennetto***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	4	FDK	5
1-8	18	1-8	24
Spec Ed	2	Spec Ed	2
Music	1	Music	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>

***Dr Davey***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	5	FDK	6
1-8	18	1-8	26
Spec Ed	0	Spec Ed	3
Music	1	Music	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>

***Cathy Weaver***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	6	FDK	4
1-8	25	1-8	30
Spec Ed	2	Spec Ed	1
Music	1	Music	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>

***Earl Kitchener***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	4	FDK	3
1-8	21	1-8	21
Spec Ed	0	Spec Ed	1
Music	0	Music	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>

***Central***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	5	FDK	3
1-8	9	1-8	8
Spec Ed	0	Spec Ed	1
Music	0	Music	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>

***Hess***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	3	FDK	2
1-8	12	1-8	16
Spec Ed	1	Spec Ed	2
Music	1	Music	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>

***Queen Victoria***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	5	FDK	3
1-8	19	1-8	28
Spec Ed	3	Spec Ed	4
Music	1	Music	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>

***Strathcona***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	3	FDK	2
1-8	6	1-8	8
Spec Ed	0	Spec Ed	1
Music	0	Music	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>

***Ryerson***

2016 Organization		Available Space	
Classrooms	Count	Classrooms	Count
FDK	0	FDK	0
1-8	15	1-8	13
Spec Ed	2	Spec Ed	1
Music	1	Music	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>

## Room Requirements

	<b>2016 Organization Room Counts</b>	<b>2016 Available Room Counts</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<i><b>Bennetto</b></i>	25	32	7
<i><b>Cathy Weaver</b></i>	34	36	2
<i><b>Central</b></i>	14	12	-2
<i><b>Dr Davey</b></i>	24	36	12
<i><b>Earl Kitchener</b></i>	25	25	0
<i><b>Hess</b></i>	17	21	4
<i><b>Queen Victoria</b></i>	28	36	8
<i><b>Ryerson</b></i>	18	15	-3
<i><b>Strathcona</b></i>	9	11	2
<b>Total</b>	194	224	30