

This is what I have received from the Dr. John Seaton school council chair and this is what non-Council parents have expressed to me as well both verbally and in writing. I believe this to be the sentiment of the Seaton community overall.

Please include this email in the West ARC correspondence. Thanks.

Have a great day,
Karen Turkstra
Trustee for Wards 14 and 15
HWDSB

----- Original Message -----

Hi Karen,

As per our conversation yesterday below is a brief out line of what the Seaton Council would like the ARC is consider in the proposal.

1) A new facility for the Dundas area which would accommodate both Parkside & Highland students. Renovations to either of the ageing facilities is not ideal nor what we feel would be beneficial to our students or future students.(We are in support of the proposed option #4 - Higland -Parkside closure with new 1000 student place school & no boundary changes)

2) NO boundary changes leaving the existing boundaries in tact students would continue to attend the high school they are in catchment for now (ie Highland) the discussion over changing boundaries to have our rural students attend Ancaster is not something conducive to our location and distance.

3) The assurance that when our students begin attending their Secondary school that they will be able to continue to attend that school for the duration of their completed secondary education with minimal disruption. Along with the continued programs offered throughout their 4 or more years. (With the understanding that if a new facility is built they would be all moved together)

4)Programs offered now will be continued to be offered or shared through the process and completion of the accepted proposal.

5)Transportation the consideration of offering additional transportation to our rural communities without public transit allowing students to remain after school

later and become involved in more school activities/educational support which they may not have access to otherwise.

These are the main issues we have discussed and would like the ARC to take into consideration with their proposed recommendations

Thanks
Naomi Shepherd
Seaton Council Chair.