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Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers at Collegiate Ave., Green Acres and RL Hyslop,

You may recall, in 2017, HWDSB submitted a business case for a new 495 pupil place school to be built on the existing Collegiate Avenue School site that would consolidate Collegiate Ave., Green Acres and R.L. Hyslop schools. This business case requested \$13.9 million from the provincial government to rebuild a new JK-8 elementary school on the Collegiate Ave. site. The Ministry of Education instead provided \$6 million to build a 213 pupil place addition with three childcare rooms at Collegiate Ave.

The Board of Trustees, at the December 18, 2017 Board meeting, carried a motion to have staff engage with the Ministry of Education to consider holding the \$6 million as previously allocated. This would allow HWDSB to apply for additional funding for building a new school at the Collegiate Ave. site. On January 30, 2018, the Ministry of Education responded to this request indicating that if the \$6 million is not used for the addition at Collegiate Ave. it would no longer be available to the school board.

Based on the response by the Ministry, and the approved motion by the Board of Trustees at their December 18, 2017 meeting, staff will be moving forward with the addition at Collegiate Ave. We know this is not the preferred choice for many, however, we are determined to utilize this funding with other available facility improvement funds to create learning environments that are safe and conducive to healthy development and learning for future generations.

As indicated at the December 21, 2017 Public Meeting held at Collegiate Ave., another public meeting will be held in early spring to review design plans for the school and begin transition planning based on the Lower Stoney Creek Transition Plan (attached).

If you have any questions about this information, please contact your school Principal, your local Trustee Jeff Beattie, or me (905-527-5092 ext. 2361).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Gillies", followed by a colon.

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### Lower Stoney Creek Transitions

**ZONE 1**  
 Students move to Mountain View following the closure of Eastdale School  
 Students move to new school on Eastdale site when construction is completed

**ZONE 2**  
 Students move to new school on Eastdale site when construction is completed

**ZONE 3**  
 Students move to new school on Eastdale site when construction is completed

**ZONE 4**  
 Students remain at Mountain View and move to new school on Memorial SC site when construction is completed

**ZONE 5**  
 Students move to new school on Memorial SC site when construction is completed

**ZONE 6**  
 Students move to holding site (i.e. Green Acres/R.L. Hyshop) and return to school on Collegiate site when construction is completed

**ZONE 7**  
 Students move to school on Collegiate site when construction is completed

**ZONE 8**  
 Students move to school on Collegiate site when construction is completed

