

February 22, 2018

To families with students in, or interested in, French Immersion in East Hamilton and Lower Stoney Creek,

Re: East Hamilton & Lower Stoney Creek French Immersion Relocation Transition Plan Update

Further to the letter sent earlier this week we want to provide some additional information with respect to the proposed relocation transition plan.

Following a review of the feedback gathered from the public consultation meeting held at Glen Echo Elementary School on January 11, 2018 and a survey of the families that have registered for Grade 1 French Immersion for this Fall, a proposed plan was discussed at the Board's Finance and Facilities Committee on February 14, 2018.

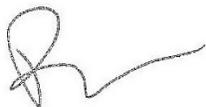
The recommended plan keeps existing French Immersion students at Glen Echo and Glen Brae until June 2020. Also, Grade 1 French Immersion programming is recommended to remain at Glen Echo this Fall making the opening of classes at Green Acres and Parkdale not feasible for next school year. All students would then relocate to the new French Immersion area schools as identified through the East Hamilton-Lower Stoney Creek French Immersion boundary review for September 2020.

The report of the Finance and Facilities Committee which includes the recommended relocation transition plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees on Monday, February 26, 2018 for approval. HWDSB Board meetings start at 6:00 p.m. and are open to the public and live-streamed through the HWDSB website. Additional information about Board meetings including agendas and reports can be found at www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/trustees/meetings or by calling the Office of Trustee Services at 905.527.5092 x2279.

We continue to be committed to providing families and affected school communities with regular updates. A letter describing the decisions made at the Board meeting along with next steps will follow early next week.

Please contact the school superintendent or ward trustee with any questions.

Sincerely,



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