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To parents, guardians, caregivers of Bellmoore Elementary School,

As you are aware, we continue to experience expected growth in student enrolment at Bellmoore. As the Binbrook community continues to develop, student enrolment is approaching site capacity.

Bellmoore will have space for 1,077 students, which includes the use of portables. However, our enrolment is expected to reach 1,205 students. In response to this continued high enrolment, Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) has created a holding school strategy to accommodate Bellmoore students beyond the school's capacity. HWDSB received Ministry of Education funding for a new \$14.4 million, 625 pupil place, K-8 elementary school on the corner of Keystone Crescent and Bellagio Avenue, south of Rymal Road East. The new school on the Summit Park site is currently under construction and is expected to open in September 2019.

A letter was sent to families on November 16, outlining how the new elementary school at the Summit Park Site will affect students and families. To further explain the upcoming changes and the spring transition process in detail, an Information Night for School Transitions will be held on Tuesday December 11th, 2018 at Bellmoore Elementary School, starting at 6 p.m.

Bellmoore families are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn about the preliminary plans and next steps.

Sincerely,

Paul Denomme

Superintendent of Student Achievement