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To Parent, Guardians and Caregivers

RE: New Elementary School at Summit Park

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.

Therefore, beginning in September 2019, the school on the Summit Park site will act as the holding school for Grade 7 & 8 students from Bellmoore until a permanent solution can be found for the Binbrook area (please see attached map).

Information about a community meeting will be sent home soon. A transition committee is also being formed to support the transition of students, staff and families involved in school relocation. Families are welcome to attend these meetings to hear the discussions and learn more about transition plans.

For more information about school consolidation plans, please visit the Construction Updates section on HWDSB's website. For Transition Committee updates, please visit our Transition Committee section on HWDSB's website. If you have any questions about this information, please contact your school's principal/vice-principal.

Sincerely,

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