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To Parent, Guardians and Caregivers

RE: Construction of New School at C.H. Bray

As part of the Ancaster Accommodation Review, the Board of Trustees approved the closure of Fessenden and Queen's Rangers, pending Ministry of Education funding for two new JK-8 elementary schools on the CH Bray and Rousseau sites, as well as an addition at Ancaster Senior.

In March of this year, HWDSB received Ministry of Education funding for a new \$12.25 million, 495 pupil place, K-8 elementary school on the current C.H. Bray site. The new school construction is currently awaiting Site Plan Approval. Once Site Plan Approval is received, the school will be tendered with the intention of starting construction in the summer of 2019. Construction of an elementary school usually takes 12-16 months.

The attached Ancaster Transition map shows the new school boundaries and the coordination of school closure and consolidation planned for Ancaster over the months/years ahead. As can be seen in the map, current C.H. Bray students are located in Zone 4 and will be accommodated in the new school on the C.H. Bray site.

In order for construction to begin, C.H. Bray will close at the end of June 2019. The new school on the C.H. Bray site will be named in 2018-19 in accordance with the HWDSB School Naming Policy. During the construction period, the new school students (Zones 3 and 4) will be temporarily accommodated as follows:

- K – Grade 6 – at the current Queen's Rangers site
- Grades 7-8 – at the Ancaster Senior site

A community meeting will be held soon, where these details can be discussed in person. Information about the meeting will be sent out within the next few weeks. A transition committee is also being formed to support the transition of students, staff and families involved in school relocation/consolidation. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Macpherson', is placed above the printed name.

Jane Macpherson
Superintendent of Student Achievement

Ancaster/Copetown Transitions	
ZONE 1	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">All students attend Dr. John Seaton until they move to the new school on Beverly Community centre site when it opensFor 2019-20, Grade 8 students will be given the option of continuing to attend the school on the Ancaster Senior/Fessenden site or Dr. John Seaton	
ZONE 2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">All students attend Spencer ValleyFor 2019-20, students will be given the option of continuing to attend the CH Bray holding school (Queens Rangers site) for K-6 and the school on the Ancaster Senior/Fessenden site for Grades 7-8	
ZONE 3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">K-6 students attend the CH Bray holding school (Queens Rangers site)Grades 7-8 students continue to attend the school on the Ancaster Senior/Fessenden site	
ZONE 4	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">K-6 students attend the CH Bray holding school (Queens Rangers site)Grades 7-8 students continue to attend the school on the Ancaster Senior/Fessenden site	
ZONE 5	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">All students continue to attend the school on the Ancaster Senior/Fessenden site	
ZONE 6	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">K-6 students continue to attend RousseauGrades 7-8 students continue to attend the school on the Ancaster Senior/Fessenden site	

