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To Parent, Guardians and Caregivers

RE: Funding for a New Elementary School on Rousseau Site

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.

As you may be aware, HWDSB did not receive any funding this year to build a new school on the Rousseau Elementary School site.

We want to assure you that our strategy for revitalization at Rousseau remains unchanged. We will continue to advocate for a new school and our vision of a state-of-the-art facility located at the current site remains.

We are staying the course and are steadfast in our vision. Please be assured Rousseau will continue to receive regular maintenance as we pursue this strategy. We continue to strengthen our business case and will resubmit for a new school on the Rousseau site at every opportunity. We appreciate your patience as we work to renew our schools.

In the meantime, Rousseau Elementary will continue to function as a Kindergarten to Grade 6 elementary school, with Grade 7 and 8 students attending the new school on the Ancaster Senior site. Please refer to the Ancaster Transitions map included with this letter to see new school boundaries and the coordination of school closure and consolidation planned for Ancaster over the months/years ahead.

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

Sincerely,

Jane Macpherson Superintendent of Student Achievement



HWDSB

Ancaster/Copetown Transitions

ZONE 1

- All students attend Dr. John Seaton until they move to the new school on Beverly Community centre site when it opens
- For 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

- All students attend Spencer Valley
- For 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

- 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

- 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

 All students continue to attend the school on the Ancaster Senior/Fessenden site

ZONE 6

- K-6 students continue to attend Rousseau
- Grades 7-8 students continue to attend the school on the Ancaster Senior/Fessenden site

