



C.H. Bray Elementary School

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

As you may know, Trustees on Monday, May 13 received two submissions from the School Naming Advisory Committee.

The school renaming process was initiated as part of the Ancaster Accommodation Review, which saw the Board of Trustees approve 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. C.H. Bray and Queen's Rangers students attending the new school will attend Queen's Rangers in September 2019.

HWDSB surveyed the public for possible names and received 97 submissions with over 99 suggested names.

Of these submissions, Trustees approved as the new name **Spring Valley Elementary School**. The name will take effect in September 2019.

In case you would like some background on the name, here is information that Trustees received regarding the name Spring Valley Elementary School:

Ancaster's Spring Valley Neighbourhood is located between Jerseyville Road, Wilson Street, and Shaver Road. The Spring Valley Community Association is a non-profit organization that coordinates activities and provides financial support for the children, youth, seniors and families of the Spring Valley Community and the Town of Ancaster. The Spring Valley Community Association was founded in 1948 by residents of the Spring Valley area and continues to operate as a volunteer association today. Veterans who settled on this land given to them by the Veterans Land Act in 1946, started the Spring Valley Association. The association built a community hall at the end of Orchard Drive, on the site now occupied by the Spring Valley Arena.

Sincerely,

Sean Malcomson
Principal