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Dear HWDSB Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Re: Boundary Review Process for Shannen Koostachin and Gatestone Elementary School

At the May 8, 2023, Board meeting, Trustees approved a boundary review process to address the ongoing accommodation pressures affecting Shannen Koostachin and better utilize existing available space at Gatestone Elementary School. The approval was through the Facilities Master Plan Accommodation Strategy Schedule.

The objective of the boundary review is to better balance enrolment levels between the two schools, reduce reliance on portables and ensure that both are equally utilized in the long-term providing equitable access to programming and classroom experiences.

During the public Boundary Review Meeting at Gatestone Elementary School (127 Gatestone Drive) on November 28 at 6:00 p.m. you are invited to participate and provide feedback on the proposed boundary change for Shannen Koostachin and Gatestone Elementary School. HWDSB staff will provide an overview of the proposed boundary change, answer questions and gather input from community members. You may also provide your feedback online via [EngageHWDSB](http://www.engagehwdsb.ca) (www.engagehwdsb.ca).

For your awareness, an Advisory Panel, including representatives from School Council will meet on November 14, at Gatestone Elementary School at 6:00 p.m. The Advisory Panel will review the proposed boundary change and provide feedback to HWDSB staff prior to the public Boundary Review Meeting.

If you require translation services and/or child-minding services so you can participate in the public meeting, please reach out to your school's principal.

If you have any questions about this information, please contact planning@hwdsb.on.ca

Sincerely,

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