

Dear HWDSB Families,

A new chapter is beginning for Waterdown families as we work to open a new Elementary School for the 2027-2028 School Year!

We are writing to inform you that a boundary review will be taking place this fall (2025) for the Waterdown Elementary School Communities. The review has been initiated in preparation for the opening of a new Waterdown Elementary school, scheduled for the 2027-2028 school year. The initiation of the review was approved by the Board of Trustees on May 5, 2025.

A boundary review is a public process undertaken to create or modify the attendance area of one or more schools. The changes may be necessary due to new school construction, balancing enrolments, addressing site or facility constraints and supporting evolving program needs.

As part of the process, a Boundary Review Advisory Panel will be established this fall. Members of the Panel, which will be established through School Council, will participate and provide feedback on the boundary options for review. It is expected that the boundary review process will be completed in early 2026.

Families, students, staff and community members can begin to ask questions and provide feedback through Engage HWDSB. Explore the <u>Waterdown Boundary Review project</u> on the Engage platform to share thoughts and ideas that will help guide the consultation process. For more information, families can also visit the Boundary Reviews webpage on the HWDSB website.

We look forward to working together with families, students, and the community to build a future where every learner feels inspired, supported, and ready to thrive in our school.

If you have questions about this message, please contact your school's office.

Thank you,

Nicole Lee

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