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CENTRAL OKANAGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS ANNOUNCES PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON TRANSPORTATION

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KELOWNA, BC – As part of the work of the Transportation Steering Committee, Central Okanagan Public Schools will consult with its community on the future of its transportation system. The consultation will take place over the next three months to inform recommendations to the Board of Education and will provide multiple opportunities for the public to provide feedback throughout the process. The timeline for the consultation is as follows:

October 15 - October 28: Public Survey on Transportation

December 2: Recommendations published on Transportation Review Website

December 3 - December 12: Drop-in public meetings to review recommendations:

- Canyon Falls Middle School December 3 (6:00PM-7:30PM)
- George Elliot Secondary School December 5 (6:00PM-7:30PM)
- Mount Boucherie Secondary School December 9 (6:00PM-7:30PM)
- Rutland Secondary School December 10 (6:00PM-7:30PM)
- Dr. Knox Middle School December 12 (6:00PM-7:30PM)

December 2-December 23: Public Survey on Recommendations

February 2020: Final recommendations to Policy Committee

February 2020: Board of Education reviews final recommendations and makes policy and fee decisions

Currently, the District allocates \$3.1 million in operating funding to Transportation that it could allocate to other priorities, such as educational supports. The District encourages all families, including those who do not receive bus service, to participate in these consultations to inform decisions as the Board sets Transportation service levels and determines its budget priorities for future school years.

To keep up to date on the process, please consult the District's Transportation review website.

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