



May 27, 2021

Dear Westside Families:

Last week, we informed you that the Board of Education would have to make difficult decisions about a site for a new secondary school on the Westside.

At last night's Public Board Meeting, the Board of Education approved the repurposing of the École George Pringle Elementary site to be the location of the new secondary school on the Westside. As part of this decision, the District will be reopening Webber Road Elementary, which effective September 2022 will house the English program currently at École George Pringle Elementary.

Starting this upcoming Fall, the Board of Education will be conducting a comprehensive community consultation with the following goals:

- To determine the location(s) of the elementary French Immersion program on the Westside.
- To determine Westside catchment areas for the 2022-23 school year, as well as when the new secondary school opens (expected September 2025).
- Address the imbalance in elementary and middle school enrolments between the west and east side of the Westside Family of Schools.

This consultation will provide the public with transparency on the data and various factors that must be considered in the Board's decision and will also provide the public with multiple opportunities to provide their feedback for consideration as part of the Board's decision. Further details will be provided in September. To keep up to date with the consultation process, please consult the District's [Westside Consultation Website](#). The plan is to complete the consultations and public information meetings early in 2022 so that parents will have the information they need before registration opens in February.

The Board of Education understands that the decision made last night, and future decisions, will impact many people in our school communities and the Board of Education has directed staff to prepare a comprehensive plan to ensure families and students are well supported throughout this transition.

Yours sincerely,

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