GREATER VICTORIA SCHOOL DISTRICT BOUNDARY REVIEW CONSULTATION: OPEN HOUSE INPUT #3

Engagement session #3: Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Group: Community # of attendees: 122

Location: Oak Bay High School

What do you think about the proposed Elementary School

catchments?

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which middle school do French Immersion students at

practices. The community it fosters is unique and a model

What do you think about the proposed Cloverdale catchment boundary?

What do you like? What potential concerns do you have?

From the survey, it was stated that a sense of community is very important to the people in SD61. Cloverdale Traditional has an amazing community of families and staff whoe support the students.

Have you examined how other Canadian cities have handled boundary review? Have you considered the evidence

and get to school on their own (re: Marg. French Transtition) Will the the Central teachers be moving to Lansdowne?

What will this do to the drop off in the French group? (Marg Jenkins French)

The commute from South Oak Bay to Lansdowne is dangerous by bike, difficult by bus and > 1 hour to walk. Children of any age should not be crossing the highway for education. Rogers is a huge catchment and should be grouped by area and not school for middle school. Please review Roger's catchment.

We live in Ross Bay area + kids go to Margaret Jenkins, and walk or bike. One of our kids currently goes to Central. That is ok for distance. It's <u>too far</u> for kids to get to Lansdowne by walking or bike. And, we don't want to/afford a bus pass.

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major highways need to impact boundary considerations. Kids in kindergarten shouldn't have to cross a busy highway to get to school

transfer/enrolment priorites should have include distance/and promimity to school

- o out of catchment yet geographically close to school are there concerns with drinking water (lead etc) in the older building?
 - o concerns with asbestos
- o how will these issues be mitigated before opening? will richmond be fully outfitted as a French Immersion school?
- o signage, library resources, tech/tools? what about making Richmond a 5-6 school and Lansdowne campus 7-8
 - o take the 5s from Oaklands and/or Willows
 - provide late immersion @Richmond and full immersion @Landowne

please provide evidence that this model (275 + students in one grade in one building) is good for students. It is too isolating.

creating a "ghetto" environment for Gr 6 a vacuum means Gr 6 don't have models to help in transitioning to greater independence what kind of integration will be done between English and French kids?

could be a good opportunity to better integrate French and English kids (some stereotypes there.)

This would prolong the transition into middle school. Where is the middle school community?

Is there subsidy for bus passes?

Is this a temporary or permanent solution?

Will extra-curricular be connected to grade 7/8s?

Please publish school start and end times. Please tell us size of grade 6 cohort?

More details on this proposal need to be published ASAP This building is in rough shape. Can SD61 afford to fix/repair it?

A grade 6 stand alone school takes away from the middle school model that has always been so important to this school board

concern around resource and being part of the community Please ensure program equivalence between Gr 6 @ Richmond and central

How can you ensure a safe walk from South Oak Bay to Richmond Lansdowne?

How will a primary school building accommodate middle school program such as band, home ec, shop, etc?

	one grade 6 class will be lonely		
What do you think about the	We live up the street from Oak Bay High (top of Eastdowne		
proposed Secondary School	Rd) but are in the Mt. Doug catchment. Please keep us in		
catchments?	our community.		
	Please include Lansdowne Sloe (lotw Foul Bay, Lansdowne,		
	Middowne, Eastdowne in the Willows, Monterey, & Oak		
	Bay family). Safety, community, & walkable.		
	Putting Oaklands area in a different catchment than		
	Fernwood is a ridiculous idea.		
	Please include the Lansdowne slopes (middowne to		
	Lansdowne) in the Oak Bay catchment. It is a 10 minute		
	walk only crossing one busy street versus taking 2 buses to		
	Mt Doug. Middowne is a quiet street in the neighbourhood		
	and should not be the divide as it breaks up the community.		
What do you think about the	what is the French Immersion option for this?		
proposed Hillcrest	capacity is 373		
catchment boundary?	o catchment students are 336 (2020)		
	o enrollment projection is 285		
What do you like? What	o catchment enrollment is 190		
potential concerns do you	what are you doing to draw enrollment to Hillcrest from		
have?	oversubscription schools?		
Your Thoughts?	Please inform trustees that questions were not documented		
Tell us about how you see	in the open houses. How do you feel you are able fully		
these changes affecting your	represent the concerns of community if you are not		
family. Are there any ideas	documenting feedback. Also please insure that you let the		
or concerns that need to be trustees know that questions were completely left			
considered?	unanswered and unre2 (b)5.3(8 (d)-0n)-01.3 (c)8.9 (o)-T18 (e)-6 (n)-0d7 (t)-5.		

Please include the small pocket (Lansdowne slope) btw Foul Bay, Lansdowne, Middowne, Eastdowne in the Willows OB High Monterey family. Walkable, Safety Community. George Jay capacity is 509 - this is too high! Are you reducing enrolment at GJ?

Why are schools like Macaulay operating at a level over their functional capacity? And what is your solution. Please look at alternatives in the proposed South Park Catchment. Walkability is less important than <u>quality</u> learning environments across the entire district. Balance catchments equally - larger in under capacity areas. Smaller in over capacity areas.

Facilities Report 2020: Frank Hobbs, Capacity 328, Catchment Students 290, projected students 306, incatchment enrolment 204. Are you expecting growth in this catchment? In catchment enrolment is 128 below capacity. What are you doing to draw students from oversubscribed to schools to FH?

There are empty and leased out buildings that could facilitate our students and solve some over-crowding. <u>OUR</u> students should come before international.

Allow our family to get to school safely - within walking / biking distance. We are in the Mt Doug family of schools but cannot walk to any of those schools. We can <u>walk safely</u> to Willows / Oak Bay High. Please keep us in our community our neighbourhood is divided. (Lansdowne slope pocked - Foul Bay - Cad Bay)

Please explain how the enrollment priorities were meant to balance capacity. How was this data (was there any) used in the current proposed boundary catchments. Please explain clearly what informative suggested this proposal would effectively balance capacity across <u>all</u> catchments. Margaret J -> Lansdowne. Concerned that middle school is not a walkable distance, not safe to bike, leaving driving daily as main option. :(

Over 85% of students at South Park come from near, at, or over capacity catchments. How will making it a catchment school relieve capacity issues? *SP's capacity is less than 200

Facilities Report 2020: Doncaster capacity is 241. Enrolment projector is 231. In-catchment students 152. Catchment enrolment is 111. Please confirm basis of a 140% enrolment increase. This school seems underenroled. What are you doing to draw students to this school?

Make Monterey a French immersion school.

The results from the survey show key concerns that are not being take into consideration in the decisions made, i.e.

	difficult to accomodate siblings from out of catchment. ARe you making a stronger commitment to sibling priority? I don't know what to expect.
Information Boards	Why is the overaching value of choice not listed? French Immersion is not the only program of choice!!! South Park Family School is also a school of choice. Your survey failed to mention elementary schools of choice Cloverdale Traditional is a school of choice. Why just mention French Immersion?