

Donald A Wilson Secondary School Boundary Review

February 2022

Land Acknowledgement



The Durham District School Board acknowledges that many Indigenous Nations have longstanding relationships, both historic and modern, with the territories upon which our school board and schools are located. Today, this area is home to many Indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island. We acknowledge that the Durham Region forms a part of the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, the Mississauga Peoples and the treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation. It is on these ancestral and treaty lands that we teach, live and learn.

This statement was co-created in partnership with the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation and the Chippewas of Georgina Island.

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Overview

- An information report on the proposed boundary review for Donald A Wilson Secondary School was presented to Trustees at the February 22, 2022, Board Meeting.
- The purpose of the report was to initiate the consultation process and gather community input on the proposed boundary change options that affect both the Regular and French Immersion (FI) programs at Donald A Wilson SS.
- The Board Report, PowerPoint presentation, School Newsletter and a survey were posted to the Board website and are accessible through the affected schools' websites (Donald A. Wilson SS, Anderson CVI, Sinclair SS, John Dryden PS, Julie Payette PS, Ormiston PS and Robert Munsch PS)

Overview -- cont'd

- The two options under consideration are provided on the following slides for community input.
- A Virtual Public Meeting will be held to solicit public input on March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Notice of this meeting will be provided on the Board's and affected schools' websites
- Staff will collect feedback through email at DAWSSBoundaryReview@ddsb.ca and the phone line (905-436-5098) until March 23, 2022.
- All input will be summarized in the April 19, 2022, Recommendation Report to Trustees.

Boundary Review Initiation

- Donald A Wilson SS (DAWSS) is experiencing enrolment pressures resulting from the increased demand for French Immersion program and from new housing development in the area.
- For the 2022-23 school year, it is projected to operate at 153% utilization if all students are attending in school learning.
- Enrolment pressure is projected to increase over time (see table on slide 6).
- The school currently has 18 portables on site and can only accommodate a maximum of 22 portables.
- Even with additional portables, the school would face significant enrolment pressures while exceeding the washroom capacity and available parking would be insufficient.
- Program scheduling in specialized spaces (i.e., Gymnasia, Cafeteria) is a concern when trying to meet the needs of all students.
- The safety issues given the sheer number of students currently attending in-school classes will only increase for the coming September based on early projected enrolments

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Boundary Review Initiation -- Cont'd

Table 1: Donald A Wilson SS Space Utilization

DDSB Capacity (Classrooms at 21 Pupil Places per Collective Agreements):

1,257

Ministry Rated Capacity (MRC) (Classrooms at 23 Pupil Places):

1,375

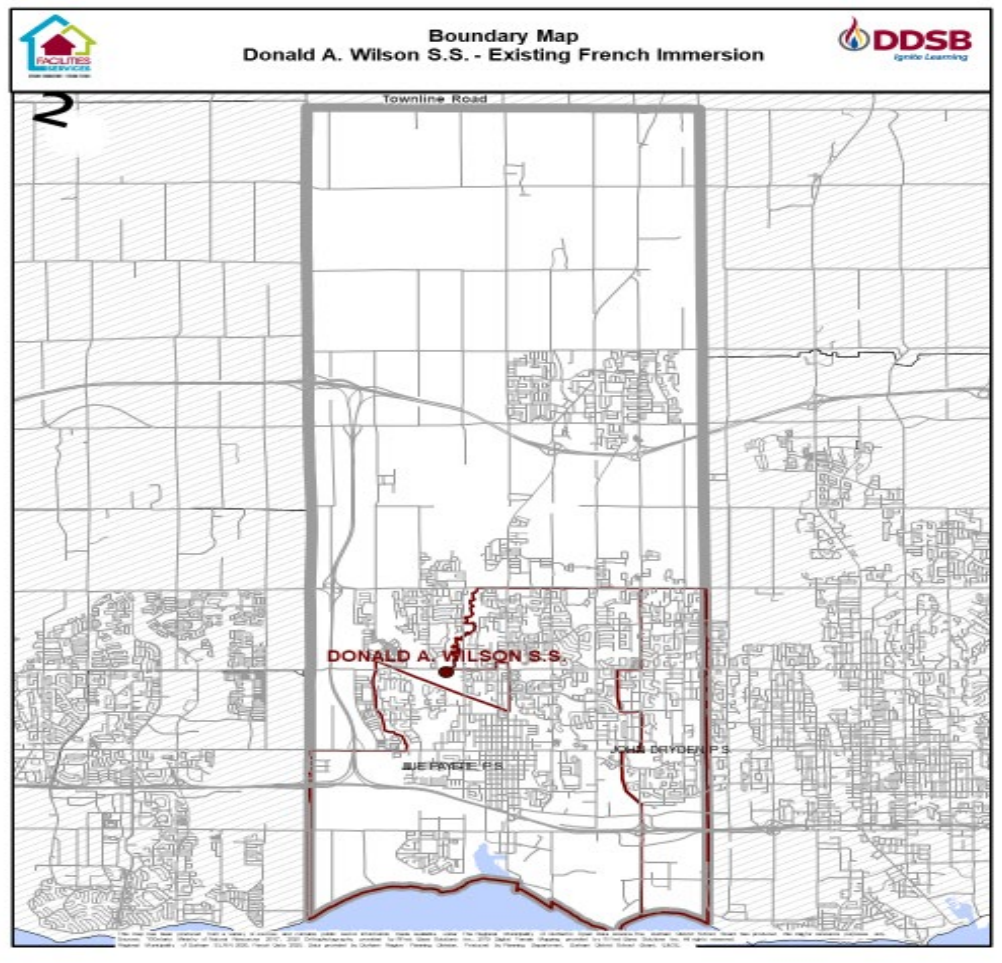
	FI Program	Regular Program	Total Enrolment	DDSB Capacity Utilization Rate	MRC Utilization Rate
Sept 2021 (actual)	721	1,076	1,797	143%	131%
Oct 2022 (proj)	769	1,155	1,924	153%	140%
Oct 2023 (proj)	794	1,200	1,994	159%	145%
Oct 2024 (proj)	817	1,262	2,079	165%	151%
Oct 2025 (proj)	812	1,304	2,116	168%	154%
Oct 2026 (proj)	800	1,325	2,125	169%	155%

School Community Concerns

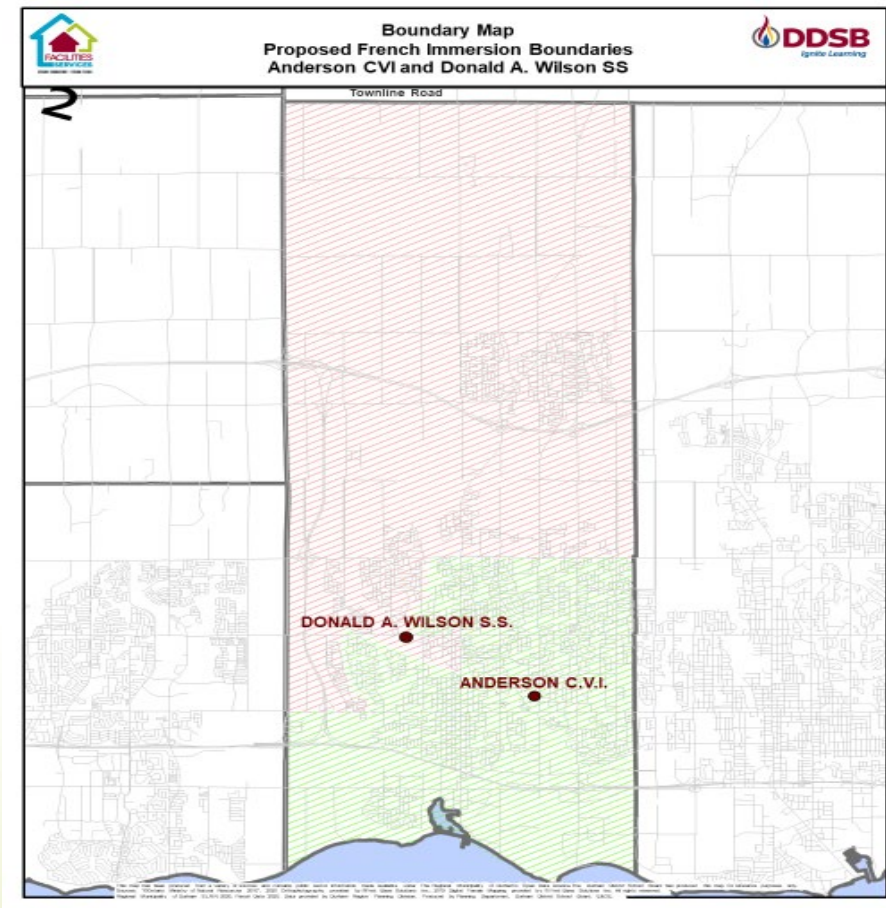
- Overcrowding at Donald A Wilson SS has resulted in traffic congestion as students are dropped off and picked up.
- Given the current physical distancing requirements the cafeteria is limited in the number of students it can accommodate:
 - The cafeteria cannot accommodate all students being on lunch at the same time. The school has, as a result, expanded to two lunch periods.
 - Four periods are needed to keep the number of students in a lunch period at a manageable level; however existing restrictions make this challenging.
- The safety issues given the sheer number of students currently attending in-school classes will only increase for the coming September based on early projected enrolments

Proposed Solution

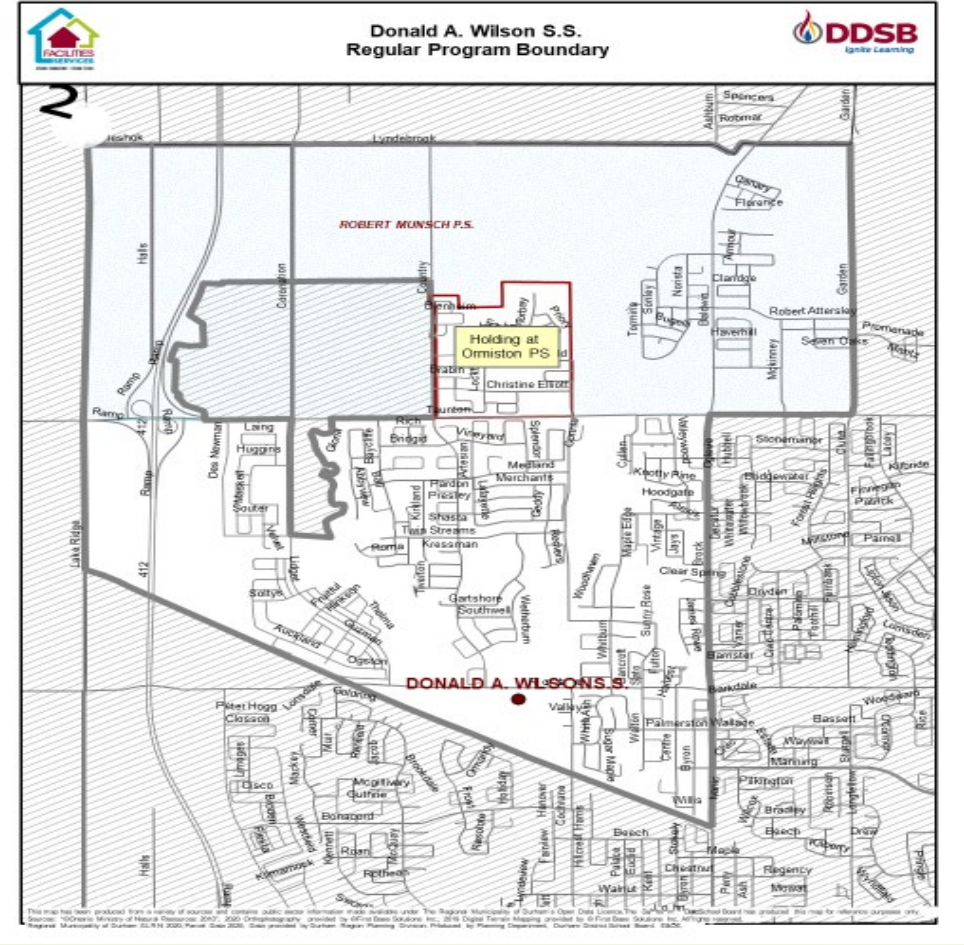
- For the 2022-23 school year, relocate a portion of the students at DAWSS who currently reside within the following attendance boundary areas as follows:
 - French Immersion program – John Dryden PS and Julie Payette PS to Anderson CVI to create a new French Immersion program;
 - Students currently in Grade 8 attending the French Immersion programs at John Dryden PS and Julie Payette PS would attend the French Immersion program at Anderson CVI instead of the French Immersion program at DAWSS ;
 - Regular program – Ormiston PS and Robert Munsch PS to Sinclair SS;
 - Students currently in Grade 8 attending the Regular programs at Robert Munsch PS and in the holding area attending Ormiston PS would attend Sinclair SS instead of the Regular program at DAWSS.
- More details about the two proposed options for consultation are provided in the following slides.
 - The two options consider the same boundary revisions; however, the number of students impacted varies depending on the option.



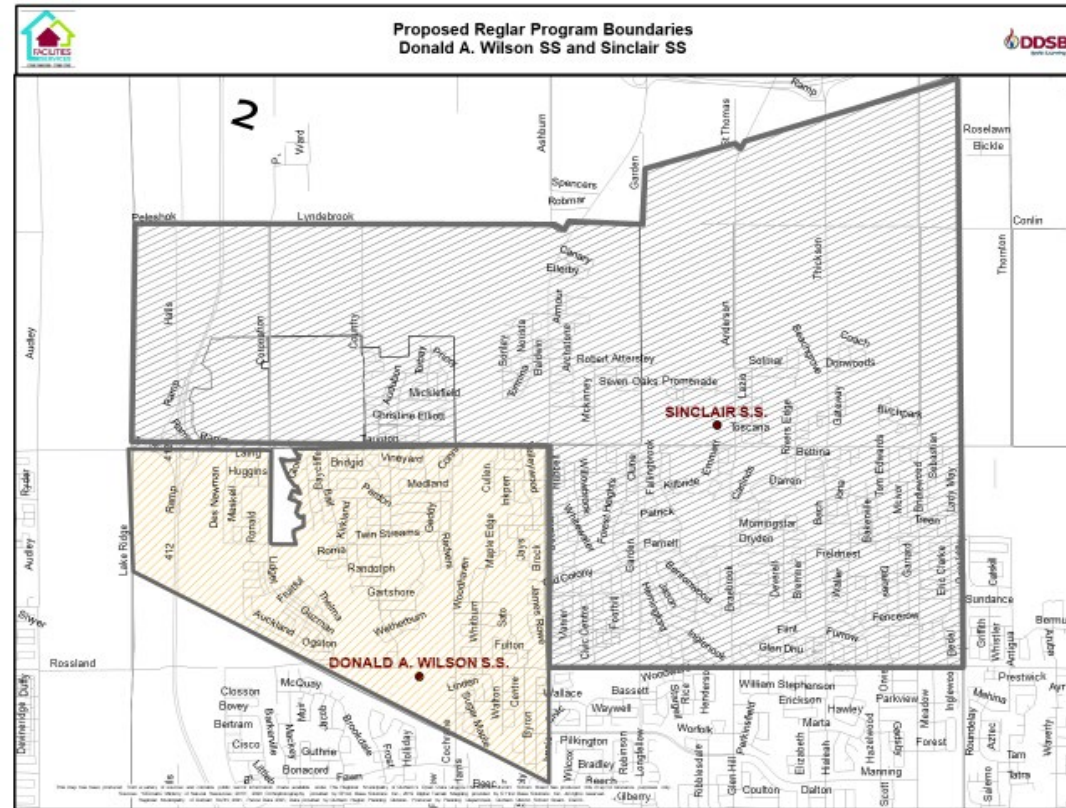
Proposed FI Boundary – Donald A Wilson SS and Anderson CVI



Existing Regular Boundary – Donald A Wilson SS



and Sinclair SS



Option 1 – Grades 8 and 9

- Over the 6-year projection period, on average, approximately 37% of the FI program at Donald A Wilson SS would be relocated to Anderson CVI to develop a new FI program through the redirection of:
 - Grade 8 students holding at Julie Payette PS and John Dryden PS FI feeder schools to Anderson CVI for Grade 9 in the FI program;
 - The 2021-22 DAWSS FI program Grade 9 class of students that reside within the Julie Payette PS and John Dryden PS FI feeder school boundaries to Anderson CVI.
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Option 1 – Grades 8 and 9 – Cont'd

- Over the 6-year projection period, on average, approximately 20% of the Regular program at Donald A Wilson SS would be relocated to Sinclair SS through the redirection of:
 - Grade 8 students that reside within the Robert Munsch PS and holding students from Ormiston PS feeder schools to Sinclair SS for Grade 9 in the Regular program;
 - The 2021-22 DAWSS Regular program Grade 9 class of students that reside within the Robert Munsch PS and the holding area attending Ormiston PS feeder school boundaries to Sinclair SS.
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Option 1 – Impact – Donald A Wilson SS

DONALD A WILSON SECONDARY SCHOOL

DDSB Capacity (Classrooms at 21
Pupil Places per Coll Agreements): 1,257

Ministry Rated Capacity (MRC)
(Classrooms at 23 Pupil Places): 1,375

IMPACT OF BOUNDARY REVIEW OPTION 1

	Enrolment - FI Program	Enrolment - Regular Program	Total Enrolment	DDSB Capacity Utilization Rate	MRC Utilization Rate	DDSB Capacity - Portables on Site	MRC - Portables on Site
Sept 2021 (actual)	721	1,076	1,797	143%	131%	18	18
Oct 2022 (proj)	586	1,014	1,600	127%	116%	17	10
Oct 2023 (proj)	529	988	1,517	121%	110%	13	7
Oct 2024 (proj)	464	974	1,438	114%	105%	9	3
Oct 2025 (proj)	468	1,005	1,473	117%	107%	11	5
Oct 2026 (proj)	475	1,014	1,489	118%	108%	11	6

Max. allowable portables = 22

Option 1 – Impact -- Anderson CVI

ANDERSON CVI							
DDSB Capacity (Classrooms at 21 Pupil Places per Coll Agreements):		1,055					
Ministry Rated Capacity (MRC) (Classrooms at 23 Pupil Places):		1,099					
IMPACT OF BOUNDARY REVIEW OPTION 1							
	Enrolment -- FI Program	Enrolment -- Regular Program	Total Enrolment	DDSB Capacity Utilization Rate	MRC Utilization Rate	DDSB Capacity - Portables on Site	MRC - Portables on Site
Sept 2021 (actual)		726	726	69%	66%	3	3
Oct 2022 (proj)	183	696	879	83%	80%	3	3
Oct 2023 (proj)	265	688	953	90%	87%	3	3
Oct 2024 (proj)	353	685	1,038	98%	94%	3	3
Oct 2025 (proj)	344	679	1,023	97%	93%	3	3
Oct 2026 (proj)	325	679	1,004	95%	91%	3	3
Anderson CVI has 3 Portables for the Grove Program							

Option 1 – Impact -- Sinclair SS

SINCLAIR SECONDARY SCHOOL

DDSB Capacity (Classrooms at 21
Pupil Places per Coll Agreements): 1,248

Ministry Rated Capacity (MRC)
(Classrooms at 23 Pupil Places): 1,366

IMPACT OF BOUNDARY REVIEW OPTION 1

	Enrolment -- Regular Program	Total Enrolment	DDSB Capacity Utilization Rate	MRC Utilization Rate	DDSB Capacity - Portables on Site	MRC - Portables on Site
Sept 2021 (actual)	1,191	1,191	95%	87%	4	4
Oct 2022 (proj)	1,332	1,332	107%	98%	4	0
Oct 2023 (proj)	1,423	1,423	114%	104%	9	3
Oct 2024 (proj)	1,512	1,512	121%	111%	13	7
Oct 2025 (proj)	1,519	1,519	122%	111%	13	7
Oct 2026 (proj)	1,541	1,541	123%	113%	14	8

Option 2 – Grades 8, 9 and 10

- Over the 6-year projection period, on average, approximately 40% of the FI program at Donald A Wilson SS would be relocated to Anderson CVI through the redirection of:
 - Grade 8 students that reside within the Julie Payette PS and John Dryden PS FI feeder school boundaries to Anderson CVI for Grade 9 in the FI program;
 - The 2021-22 DAWSS FI program Grade 9 and Grade 10 classes of students that reside within the Julie Payette PS and John Dryden PS FI feeder school boundaries to Anderson CVI.

Option 2 – Grades 8, 9 and 10 – Cont'd

- Over the 6-year projection period, on average, approximately 22% of the Regular program at Donald A Wilson SS would be relocated to Sinclair SS through the redirection of:
 - Grade 8 students that reside within the Robert Munsch PS boundary and holding students from Ormiston PS feeder schools to Sinclair SS for Grade 9 in the Regular program;
 - The 2021-22 DAWS Regular program Grade 9 and Grade 10 classes of students that reside within the Robert Munsch PS and holding students from Ormiston feeder school boundaries to Sinclair SS.

Option 2 – Impact – Donald A Wilson SS

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IMPACT OF BOUNDARY REVIEW OPTION 2

	Enrolment -- FI Program	Enrolment -- Regular Program	Total Enrolment	DDSB Capacity Utilization Rate	MRC Utilization Rate	DDSB Capacity - Portables on Site	MRC - Portables on Site
Sept 2021 (actual)	721	1,076	1,797	143%	131%	18	18
Oct 2022 (proj)	512	958	1,470	117%	107%	11	5
Oct 2023 (proj)	456	918	1,374	109%	100%	6	0
Oct 2024 (proj)	464	974	1,438	114%	105%	9	3
Oct 2025 (proj)	468	1,005	1,473	117%	107%	11	5
Oct 2026 (proj)	475	1,014	1,489	118%	108%	11	6
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IMPACT OF BOUNDARY REVIEW OPTION 2							
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Sept 2021 (actual)		726	726	69%	66%	3	3
Oct 2022 (proj)	257	696	953	90%	87%	3	3
Oct 2023 (proj)	338	688	1,026	97%	93%	3	3
Oct 2024 (proj)	353	685	1,038	98%	94%	3	3
Oct 2025 (proj)	344	679	1,023	97%	93%	3	3
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Sept 2021 (actual)	1,191	1,191	95%	87%	4	4
Oct 2022 (proj)	1,388	1,388	111%	102%	7	1
Oct 2023 (proj)	1,493	1,493	120%	109%	12	6
Oct 2024 (proj)	1,512	1,512	121%	111%	13	7
Oct 2025 (proj)	1,519	1,519	122%	111%	13	7
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Transportation & Staffing

- Durham Student Transportation Services (DSTS) identify safe walking routes for all schools.
- Utilizing the DSTS Transportation Policy, DSTS identifies a walk-out of a distance up to 3.2 kilometers based upon the shortest route on the road network, including municipal walkways.
- Durham Student Transportation Services has not yet determined the impact, if any, on the number of buses that will be required for the affected areas within the redefined attendance areas for Donald A Wilson SS, Anderson CVI and Sinclair SS. This will be determined should the boundary realignment be approved.

Transportation & Staffing – Cont'd

- Crossing guards are a mandate of the Town of Whitby, and Durham Student Transportation Services would work with the Town of Whitby regarding the designation of crossing guards to accommodate safe travel for all students to their designated schools.
- As a result of the current restrictions, the 2022-2023 school year staffing process has been delayed for the system. As such, staffing resulting from the proposed boundary realignment would be addressed in a timely manner for the 2022-2023 school year.

Communication Plan



- There will be a number of opportunities to provide and receive communication:
- Final Report taking into consideration all community input presented April 19, 2022
 - SCC Executive Meeting – *Time to be Confirmed*
 - Virtual Public Meeting
 - Email, Voicemail and Survey
- A Report dated February 22, 2022, is posted on the DDSB's website under <https://www.ddsbc.ca/en/about-ddsb/boundary-and-program-reviews.aspx>
- Newsletters available on the schools' website and available on DDSB's website under <https://www.ddsbc.ca/en/about-ddsb/boundary-and-program-reviews.aspx>

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- A Virtual Public Meeting will be held in on March 8, 2022, at 7:00 pm to solicit public input. More information will be provided on the Board's and the affected schools' websites
 - The DDSB will provide an overview of the two options under consideration and any input received to date.
 - Anyone wishing to participate in this Virtual Public Meeting is requested to register in advance to share input/presentation at the following address:
https://ddsb.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-qLgOfZeRTqI2NF9qKmqzQ
- Staff will collect feedback until March 23, 2022, via:
 - email at DAWSSBoundaryReview@ddsb.ca
 - phone line (905-436-5098)
 - Survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DAWboundary2022-23>

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Conclusion



- The information contained in this presentation together with any additional feedback that is received will be included in a final report to Trustees.
- Please continue to provide your input through email and through the phone line noted below:
 - Email DAWSSBoundaryReview@ddsb.ca
 - Phone Line (905) 436-5098
- Staff will collect feedback until March 23, 2022
- A recommendation report will be presented to Trustees at the April 19, 2022, Board Meeting. The report will summarize all feedback collected and provide a recommended boundary, based upon the feedback, for Trustees' consideration.

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