

Durham District School Board Receives Ministry Approval to Build New Elementary School in Brock Township

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The Durham District School Board (DDSB) is pleased to announce that it has received Ministry of Education approval to proceed with the consolidation of Thorah Central Public School and Beaverton Public School. Those schools will be replaced with a new school to be constructed on the Beaverton Public School site.

The DDSB approved an Accommodation Review on February 21, 2017, paving the way for the Board to apply for Ministry funding. Once the new school is built, the current Beaverton Public School will be demolished. Thorah Central PS will close once the new school is constructed and the two schools will consolidate.

“This is exciting news for the students at Thorah Central Public School and Beaverton Public School,” said Michael Barrett, Chair of the DDSB and Oshawa Trustee. “Replacing those two schools with a new facility will provide the students with enhanced programming and modern facilities.”

“The new school will be a welcome addition to the Beaverton community,” said Gord Baxter, Trustee for Brock Township. “I’m grateful that the Ministry recognized the need for a new school in the north to support student learning.”

The new school will accommodate 326 students and will include a 3-room Child Care Centre and one EarlyON (Child and Family Program) room. The new facility is scheduled to open September 2020.

The Durham District School Board (DDSB) is responsible for public education in the rural settings of Uxbridge, Brock and Scugog Townships and the urban settings of Ajax, Whitby, Pickering and Oshawa. The DDSB employs 7,600 teaching and educational services staff. With 130 elementary and secondary schools and learning centres, the DDSB accommodates more than 70,000 regular day students and thousands more who take advantage of a wide variety of continuing education and adult credit courses. More information can be found on the DDSB’s website at www.ddsb.ca. Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @DurhamDSB and YouTube at DurhamDSB.