

Dear DDSB Families,

On June 15, 2026, the Board of Trustees for the Durham District School Board (DDSB) approved the introduction of a Junior Kindergarten (JK) and Senior Kindergarten (SK) program at Uxbridge Public School (UPS). This decision resulted from feedback received as part of the community engagement process that occurred between February 19 and May 7, 2026.

We appreciate the community input and recommendations shared during the consultation as they provided highly valuable and meaningful insight into localized programming and accommodation preferences.

Beginning September 2026, 58 Junior Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten spaces (up to 2 classes) will be in place at UPS to support enrolment growth in French Immersion (FI) when students in the SK program enter the Grade 1 FI program. Staff will monitor the impact of the JK and SK offering at UPS over two years to assess the impact on the current single track FI program. Staff will then report back to the Board of Trustees on the results that will either keep the school as a single-track FI school or to make the school a dual track school offering both English-language and French-language programs.

The decision supports an equitable programming environment, and reflects the input received from the community. It creates programs with new registrations, as suggested by community members rather than realigning attendance boundaries that would impact many students.

The decision will increase enrolment at Uxbridge PS, supporting a more efficient use of existing facilities and contributing to a larger school community, which may in turn create greater opportunities for expanded extracurricular activities.

### **What This Means for Students:**

- School boundaries for JK/SK would mirror the current Uxbridge PS (UPS) French Immersion (FI) boundary. It overlaps the English attendance boundaries for Quaker Village, Joseph Gould, Scott Central, and Goodwood public schools.
- JK/SK are English-language programs located at UPS with the expectation that students will transition into Grade 1 FI.

- Transportation would not be provided for JK/SK students but would continue to be provided for Grade 1 FI students residing outside of the 1.6 km non-transported zone within the UPS existing attendance boundary.
- If a family opts out of the Grade 1 FI program after JK/SK, the student will return to their designated home school based on their residential address.
- Families interested in before- and after-school child care services at Uxbridge Public School are encouraged to contact [Stonemoor@bellnet.ca](mailto:Stonemoor@bellnet.ca) for registration details and further information.
- Secondary school pathways would remain unchanged (students would continue to attend Uxbridge SS).

**Boundaries:**

- The JK/SK boundary would mirror the current Uxbridge PS (UPS) French Immersion (FI) boundary. It overlaps the English attendance boundaries for Quaker Village, Joseph Gould, Scott Central, and Goodwood public schools.
- [Review the approved boundary map](#)