

GREATER VICTORIA SCHOOLS DISTRICT  
 BOUNDARY REVIEW CONSULTATION: GRAFFITI WALL FEEDBACK

Engagement Session #1:

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Group: Community

# of attendees:172

Location: Spectrum Community School Gymnasium

Share your thoughts about the proposed catchment boundaries:

Issues & Concerns	Opportunities & Benefits
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>#WeChooseSouthPark</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More community building at schools with reduced capacity challenges.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moving away from walkable schools with new boundaries</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep siblings together through the schools.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If developing new boundaries for catchment, do not divide communities!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Programs of Choice at elementary level are important to us.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The November survey questions were problematic and did not ask about how public valued schools of choice.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The realization that Schools of Choice are wanted!</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lack of safe routes to school for EMJS Lansdowne too far! 5 km</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More access to neighbourhood schools</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>French kids deserve to walk to school too! We are a bilingual country.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Choice at the elementary level is a good thing! Other districts in the province value it. French at the elementary level isn't a good fit for all students.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore bussing as a solution.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>French students should be treated equally and have access to their neighbourhood school. Achieve transportation and health key goals for CRD and BC.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Close district soccer program at Reynolds to deal with capacity.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Serious consideration re designated/program schools and maintaining their learning community - take them out of this!</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore Monterey as a dual track school. Survey says portables over reducing access to programs.</li> </ul>

- Why was only one proposal made? Wh is it this one or back to square one?

- Everyone has personal wants. The Sch Act doesn't protect them all. It does protect educational success of non traditional learners.
- Lack of communication from Admin on the process.

- Not enough parents know that siblings no longer have priority to follow through. Separating elementary aged siblings is not okay.
- More consultation time; too rushed, and the District should not limit the number of

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