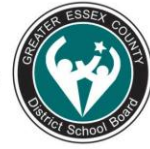


Greater Essex County District School Board

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November 21, 2013

Important information for parents and guardians of Tecumseh Vista Academy, D.M. Eagle, Victoria, A.V. Graham, Forest Glade and Herman Secondary Schools' students

At the regular meeting of the Board on Tuesday, November 19, 2013 Trustees made their final decisions regarding the Tecumseh Family of Schools Program and Accommodation Review. Those Board approved recommendations are attached. All information regarding the Program and Accommodation Review is on the Board website under the Accommodation tab, <https://publicboard.ca/Parents/Accommodations/programandaccommodationreviews/TecumsehPARC/Pages/default.aspx>

In summary, Trustees have agreed to close Victoria Public School as of June 2014 with students transitioning to A.V. Graham in September 2014, making it a K-8 school. They also resolved to pursue funding from the Ministry of Education to build a new K-8 dual track school in the north shore area or to expand A.V. Graham to eventually incorporate the D.M. Eagle school community. We do not anticipate this to be an immediate concern for the D.M. Eagle school community.

To relieve accommodation pressures at Tecumseh Vista Academy, Trustees have decided to adjust the elementary school's French Immersion boundaries; specifically, any future students desiring the French Immersion program who live west of Banwell Road and north of E.C. Row Expressway will attend Forest Glade Public School. The French Immersion program will be phased in, beginning with Junior Kindergarten in September 2014. Each year thereafter another grade will be added.

Any students currently attending Tecumseh Vista Academy's French Immersion program will be granted a limited exception to remain at that school with transportation, however, any siblings not already in attendance will follow the new boundary.

Tecumseh Vista Academy's secondary French Immersion boundary will also be adjusted to bring this into line with the elementary boundary.

We understand that the move may be challenging for some students and families, but please be assured that we will be working to ensure the transition is as smooth as possible for all concerned. Implementation committees will be formed very soon and we will be working with respective principals and school communities to assist with the transition.

Your school principal is available to answer your questions and concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Todd Awender".

Todd Awender
Superintendent of Education: Accommodation

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1. **THAT VICTORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSED EFFECTIVE JUNE 2014 AND BE DECLARED SURPLUS TO THE BOARD'S NEEDS. STUDENTS WILL TRANSITION TO A.V. GRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL, CREATING A JK TO GRADE 8 SCHOOL. BOUNDARIES FOR A.V. GRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL WILL NOT CHANGE.**

THAT TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY'S ELEMENTARY FRENCH IMMERSION WESTERN BOUNDARY BE ADJUSTED TO WEST OF BANWELL ROAD, NORTH OF EC ROW. BOTH SIDES OF BANWELL ROAD REMAIN IN THE TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY BOUNDARY

Proposed new Tecumseh Vista French Immersion boundary:

North: Lake St Clair from Banwell Rd east to Wallace Line Rd

East: Wallace Line Rd/Lakeshore Rd 107 (both sides included) south to South Middle Rd. South along Pleasant Park Side Rd & County Rd 23 (Naylor)(both sides included) to County Rd 8, then follow the Essex/Kingsville municipal line to County Rd 12.

South: County Rd 12 from Arner Townline to Walker Rd

West: Walker Rd north to County Rd 8, then north along the ERCA greenway to the CN Railway (Airport railway) following the former boundary of Windsor east to Jefferson at EC Row Expwy. East along EC Row to Banwell. North along Banwell (both sides included) to Lake St Clair.

A PHASED-IN DUAL TRACK JK PROGRAM AT FOREST GLADE PUBLIC SCHOOL BEGIN FOR SEPTEMBER 2014. EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, A FRENCH IMMERSION GRADE LEVEL PROGRAM WILL BE ADDED.

Proposed Forest Glade French Immersion boundary:

North: Lake St Clair from Lublin right of way to Banwell Rd

East: Banwell Rd (Both sides not included) south to EC Row Expwy

South: EC Row Expwy from Banwell to Jefferson

West: Jefferson (Both sides not included) from EC Row to Tecumseh Rd E. East along Tecumseh Rd E to a line west of Aspenshore. North along a line west of Aspenshore to Jerome right of way east to Lublin right of way.

ONLY THE STUDENTS CURRENTLY ATTENDING TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY AS OF THE 2013-14 SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE GRANTED A LIMITED EXCEPTION, WITH TRANSPORTATION, TO REMAIN AT TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY.

2. **THAT VICTORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSE EFFECTIVE JUNE 2014 AND BE DECLARED SURPLUS TO THE BOARD'S NEEDS. STUDENTS WILL TRANSITION TO A.V. GRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL, CREATING A JK TO GRADE 8 SCHOOL. BOUNDARIES FOR A.V. GRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL WILL NOT CHANGE.**

THAT TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY'S ELEMENTARY FRENCH IMMERSION WESTERN BOUNDARY IS ADJUSTED TO WEST OF BANWELL ROAD, NORTH OF EC ROW. BOTH SIDES OF BANWELL ROAD REMAIN IN THE TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY BOUNDARY.

Proposed new Tecumseh Vista French Immersion boundary:

North: Lake St Clair from Banwell Rd east to Wallace Line Rd

East: Wallace Line Rd/Lakeshore Rd 107 (both sides included) south to South Middle Rd. South along Pleasant Park Side Rd & County Rd 23 (Naylor)(Both sides included) to County Rd 8, then follow the Essex/Kingsville municipal line to County Rd 12.

South: County Rd 12 from Arner Townline to Walker Rd

West: Walker Rd north to County Rd 8, then north along the ERCA greenway to the CN Railway (Airport railway) following the former boundary of Windsor east to Jefferson at EC Row Expwy. East along EC Row to Banwell. North along Banwell (Both sides included) To Lake St Clair.

AFFECTED STUDENTS WILL ATTEND A PHASED-IN DUAL TRACK JK PROGRAM AT FOREST GLADE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR SEPTEMBER 2014. EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, A FRENCH IMMERSION GRADE LEVEL PROGRAM WILL BE ADDED.

Proposed Forest Glade French Immersion boundary:

North: Lake St Clair from Lublin right of way to Banwell Rd

East: Banwell Rd (Both sides not included) south to EC Row Expwy

South: EC Row Expwy from Banwell to Jefferson

West: Jefferson (both sides not included) from EC Row to Tecumseh Rd E. East along Tecumseh Rd E to a line west of Aspenshore. North along a line west of Aspenshore to Jerome right of way east to Lublin right of way.

ONLY THE STUDENTS CURRENTLY ATTENDING TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY AS OF THE 2013-14 SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE GRANTED A LIMITED EXCEPTION, WITH TRANSPORTATION, TO REMAIN AT TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY.

THE BOARD WILL PURSUE CAPITAL FUNDING FROM THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND UPON APPROVAL;

PRIORITY 1

THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SCHOOL FOR THE NORTH SHORE AREA. DM EAGLE SCHOOL BE CLOSED AND DECLARED SURPLUS TO THE BOARD'S NEEDS. BOUNDARIES WILL BE DETERMINED FOR THE NEW DUAL TRACK JK-GRADE 8 SCHOOL:

OR

PRIORITY 2

THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITION TO AV GRAHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL. UPON COMPLETION, DM EAGLE SCHOOL BE CLOSED AND DECLARED SURPLUS TO THE BOARD'S NEEDS. STUDENTS WILL TRANSITION TO THE EXPANDED AV GRAHAM SITE, BOUNDARIES ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY.

- 3. THAT TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY'S SECONDARY FRENCH IMMERSION WESTERN BOUNDARY IS ADJUSTED TO BRING IT INTO LINE WITH THE ELEMENTARY FRENCH IMMERSION WESTERN BOUNDARY. BOTH SIDES OF BANWELL ROAD REMAIN IN THE TECUMSEH VISTA ACADEMY SECONDARY FRENCH IMMERSION BOUNDARY. THE HERMAN SECONDARY SCHOOL FRENCH IMMERSION BOUNDARY BE ADJUSTED ACCORDINGLY.**

Proposed French Immersion boundary for Tecumseh Vista Secondary

North: Lake St Clair from Banwell Rd east to Wallace Line Rd

East: Wallace Line Rd/Lakeshore Rd 107 (both sides included) south to South Middle Rd. South along Pleasant Park Side Rd & County Rd 23 (Naylor)(Both sides included) to County Rd 8, then follow the Essex/Kingsville municipal line to County Rd 12.

South: County Rd 12 from Arner Townline to Walker Rd

West: Walker Rd north to County Rd 8, then north along the ERCA greenway to the CN Railway (Airport railway) following the former boundary of Windsor east to Jefferson at EC Row Expwy. East along EC Row to Banwell. North along Banwell (both sides included) To Lake St Clair.

Proposed French Immersion boundary for Herman Secondary School

North: Detroit River

East: Banwell Rd (Both sides not included) to EC Row

South: EC Row from Banwell to Jefferson, then following former Windsor municipal line north of the airport to the CN Tracks (Airport railway). South along this to the CN Tracks that run west of Provincial Rd.

West: West along the CN Tracks that run west of Provincial Rd to Ouellette Ave north to Detroit River.

- 4. THAT THE PRINCIPALS OF THE AFFECTED SCHOOLS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THEIR SCHOOL COUNCILS, WORK WITH SENIOR ADMINISTRATION TO IMPLEMENT AND COMMUNICATE THE CHANGES.**