

Cobourg Catholic Elementary Schools Accommodation Review

Guiding Principles

1. The Cobourg Accommodation Review process followed the PVNCCDSB Accommodation Review Goals and, specifically, addresses significant future capital and maintenance facility condition expenditures at both St. Michael Catholic Elementary School and Notre Dame Catholic Elementary School by:
 - a. Fully utilizing St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School via a boundary change; and
 - b. Closing St. Michael Catholic Elementary School and consolidating the French Immersion program located at St. Michael Catholic Elementary School into a new or enhanced dual track school at Notre Dame Catholic Elementary School.
2. PVNCCDSB approval of the Final Staff Report and supporting motions initiates and instructs staff to submit a capital improvement business case for Notre Dame Catholic Elementary School. As such, the closure of St. Michael Catholic Elementary School will remain in abeyance until Ministry of Education approval is received and the capital improvements completed.
3. Families, affected by the Notre Dame - St. Joseph Catholic Elementary Schools (CES) boundary change, would have the option of continuing attendance at Notre Dame CES based on the following:
 - a. The option to continue to attend Notre Dame CES applies to families with children currently attending Notre Dame as at the date of Board approval of the Final Staff Report recommendations. Siblings born prior to January 1, 2018 not yet attending school will also be able to enrol at Notre Dame CES in the future.
 - b. Families with children already living within the area affected by the boundary change, but who do not currently have a child attending Notre Dame CES, will be enrolled at St. Joseph CES as following the new boundary for the school.
 - c. New registrants/families moving to the area affected by the boundary change will be enrolled at St. Joseph CES.
 - d. For those families that qualify and opt to continue to attend Notre Dame CES, the option applies while the family continues to reside at their current residence address as at the date of Board approval of the Final Staff Report recommendations. Change of residence will require the family to be subject to the school attendance boundary that they move to.
4. The French Immersion program boundary will be adjusted following the closure of St. Michael Catholic Elementary School and the relocation to Notre Dame Catholic Elementary School. There will be no changes to the catchment area.
5. The Board will continue to ensure that the existing facilities at St. Michael Catholic Elementary School and Notre Dame Catholic Elementary School are maintained and kept in safe condition for the students, staff and community.
6. The Board will initiate the Community Transition Plan Template to assist the students, staff, parents/guardians and community with the school moves upon the appropriate approvals for capital improvements.