

November 13, 2019

Dear Parents, Guardians and Community Members:

In June 2017, the Board of Trustees made decisions about a Pupil Accommodation Review which was done to address low enrolment at Dennis Avenue Community School, George Syme Community School, Harwood Public School, Lambton Park Community School, and Rockcliffe Middle School, along with facility conditions at Cordella Junior Public School, Dennis Avenue Community School, and Rockcliffe Middle School. Detailed information about the review and the approved changes can be found by going to https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Strategy-Planning/Search-All-Reviews?id=138.

At the time the decision was made, the Board indicated that there could be a potential delay in the construction of the new Dennis Avenue Community School and George Syme Community School addition.

I would like to inform you that the construction schedule for the new Dennis Avenue CS building has, in fact, been delayed and the school may not be completed until December 2022. Therefore, Dennis and Cordella students will not be moving into the new Dennis Avenue CS building until September 2023. However, the renovations at George Syme are scheduled to be completed by December 2021.

The boundary expansion that includes the shared Harwood/George Syme boundary, the Harwood boundary west of Symes Road, and the Roselands boundary south of Black Creek and east of Jane Street, will be implemented at the end of June 2021.

The table below outlines a year by year description of the grade range and program changes at George Syme CS.

George Syme Community School

School Year	Proposed School Grade Range and Programs
2017-2018	 Grade Range: JK-Grade 5 (Regular), SK- Grade 5 (French Immersion) Programs: Continuing Education (Adult ESL)



2018-2019	 Grade Range: JK-Grade 5 (Regular), SK- Grade 5 (French Immersion) Programs: Behaviour ISP Continuing Education (Adult ESL) relocates to Lambton Park CS
2019-2020	 Grade Range: JK-Grade 5 (Regular) SK- Grade 5 (French Immersion) Programs: Behaviour ISP
2020-2021	 Grade Range: JK-Grade 6 (Regular), SK- Grade 6 (French Immersion) Programs: Behaviour ISP All boundary changes are implemented.
2021-2022	 Grade Range: JK-Grade 7 (Regular), SK- Grade 7 (French Immersion) Programs: Behaviour ISP
2022-2023	 Grade Range: JK-Grade 8 (Regular), JK/SK- Grade 8 (French Immersion*) Programs: Behaviour ISP Construction complete on addition and retrofits.

^{*}Changes to intensive French as a Second Language Programs were approved in June 2019 as part of the French Program Review. Existing Early French Immersion programs may transition to Junior Kindergarten entry beginning in 2022-23. For more information on the French Program Review, please refer to the website here:

https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Community/Public-Consultations/French-Review

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your principal or to me at 416-

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Education

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