

As Avondale PS parents' council, we have raised our serious concerns as follows:

**1.If there will be 7 portables in Oakburn for the 2023 to 2024 school year, PS and Alt need to share the portables fairly**

Since only PS used for this school year, we strongly request both Avondale EA and Avondale PS will use portables for the next school year for the fairness and equity

**2.Timely installation of additional 4 portables**

As of this school year, 3 portables were not ready in use for September 2022, almost 90 students were forced to study in the school gym and all the other classes had no access to the gym until November 2022.We should not repeat this situation, we urge you to do the timely installation of 4 additional portables and be ready to use by the 1st day of the new school year in Sep 2023.

**3.Re-evaluation of all of the spaces used in the school**

PS classes have a much larger number of students in one classroom compared with Alt. Alt is currently using 6 classrooms in the main building. If Alt can use 4 portables, PS large classes can fit in the main building which will be vacant. Currently, PS5/6 has 30 students in each class, and they are squeezed in the portable classrooms. We would strongly request the re-evaluation of all of the spaces in the main building including large rooms(such as music preparation room, staff preparation rooms etc.).

**4.we need at least 2 proper portable washrooms(see attached portable washroom picture) and water fountains installed at Oakburn site. Portables has to have proper AC systems**

There will be around 200 students in the Oakburn site and there are no proper washrooms nor water fountains. Current portable users are having difficulties going to the washrooms from portables to the main school. **They are losing more than 20 mins of their classes** or recess time when they go to the washroom and other students also have to go together. **Some students are refusing to go to the washroom for these reasons** and this is extremely not healthy, causing problems to their mental health and also physical health. The portable washrooms in the picture have 4 to 5 washrooms in each male/female with a water sink, hand dryer and paper towel machine. We need to have at least 2 of these portable washrooms for 200 students in portables.Portables get very hot, and we need to make sure that there will be proper AC systems installed inside portables.



**5.Safe Access needs to be provided from portables to the main school building. We need to have at least 2 access gates from portables through the school field, not from outside, as we have 1 right now**

200 students will be in and out between Oakburn site and school property. For students' safety, we need at least 2 access gates from the Oakburn site through the school field.

**6.We would like to receive a firm confirmation of the dropping of the option of G6 to G8 of Avondale Public School students moving to Bayview Middle School.**

After hearing this news, hundreds of families are anxious about this situation. This is our local school, and we are entitled to stay from K to G8 at the current location of Avondale Public School. Avondale EA students have a choice to move, but for Avondale PS students have **ONLY** the choice to come to Avondale PS.

Avondale school has already exceeding from the projection of 2019 as below

Avondale PS					Avondale EA	
School year	Final projection	Oct. 31 Actual	March 31 Actual	Admissions Jan/April	Target enrolment	current
2019-2020	471	597	609		135-140	131
2020-2021*	464	426	446		Current building student population	
2021-2022**	730	771	773	82		
2022-2023	795				910	
*Central VS					Projection 2022-2023	
** 4 VL classes						
					Avondale EA	135
					Avondale PS	795
					Building	930