

North Bendale Junior PS and Tredway Woodsworth PS Grade Range Expansion

Public Meeting

December 3rd, 2024

6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Note: This meeting will be recorded.

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1	Welcome, Land Acknowledgment, and Introductions	Marwa Hamid, Superintendent FOS22
2	Opening Remarks	Zakir Patel Trustee, Ward 19
3	How to Participate in Zoom Webinar & Virtual Meeting Norms	Marwa Hamid, Superintendent FOS22
4	Setting the Context	David Suriano, Planning
5	Proposed Grade Range Expansion	David Suriano, Planning
6	Next Steps & Helpful Information	David Suriano, Planning
7	Feedback: Comments, Questions, and Answers	Marwa Hamid, Superintendent FOS22
8	Adjournment	Marwa Hamid, Superintendent FOS22

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge we are hosted on the lands of the Mississauga's of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Wendat. We also recognize the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and the Inuit peoples

Program Area Review Team (PART) Members

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School/Organization	Name	Position
Ward 19	Zakir Patel	Trustee
North Bendale Jr PS	Athanasios Dimakas Sarah Muir Olympia Grigg	Principal Parent representative Parent representative
Tredway Woodsworth PS	Simon Mgaya Rebecca Mosios Lindsay Short	Principal Parent representative Parent representative
FOS19	Jason Kandankery	Superintendent
FOS22	Marwa Hamid	Superintendent, chair
Central Staff	Joyce Kwong	Manager, Accommodation Planning
Central Staff	David Suriano	Planner – Strategy and Planning

Opening Remarks

Zakir Patel, Trustee, Ward 19

Zoom Webinar

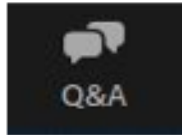
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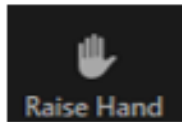
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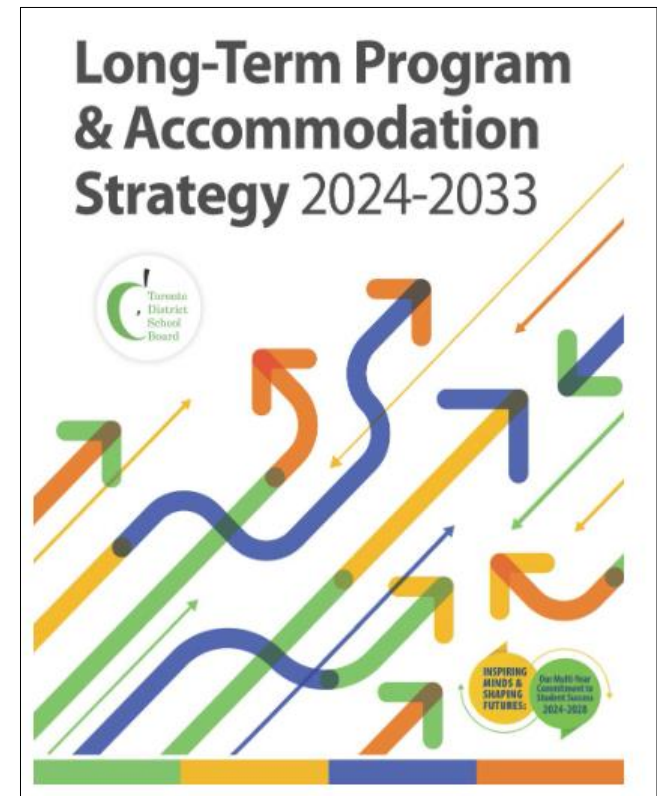


Virtual Meeting Norms

- All participants of virtual public information meetings are expected to maintain meeting decorum and abide by the requirements of the Board Code of Conduct (PR585) and the Code of Online Conduct (PR571). Discrimination and harassment will not be tolerated.
- Please be **concise, respectful, and courteous** with your comments and questions.
- To ensure that everyone has an opportunity to speak, please **make 1 comment or ask 1 question**. If you have more comments or questions, please raise your hand again or type your question in the Q&A box.
- If you choose to speak, **please minimize background audio**.

Setting the Context: Long-Term Program and Accommodation Strategy

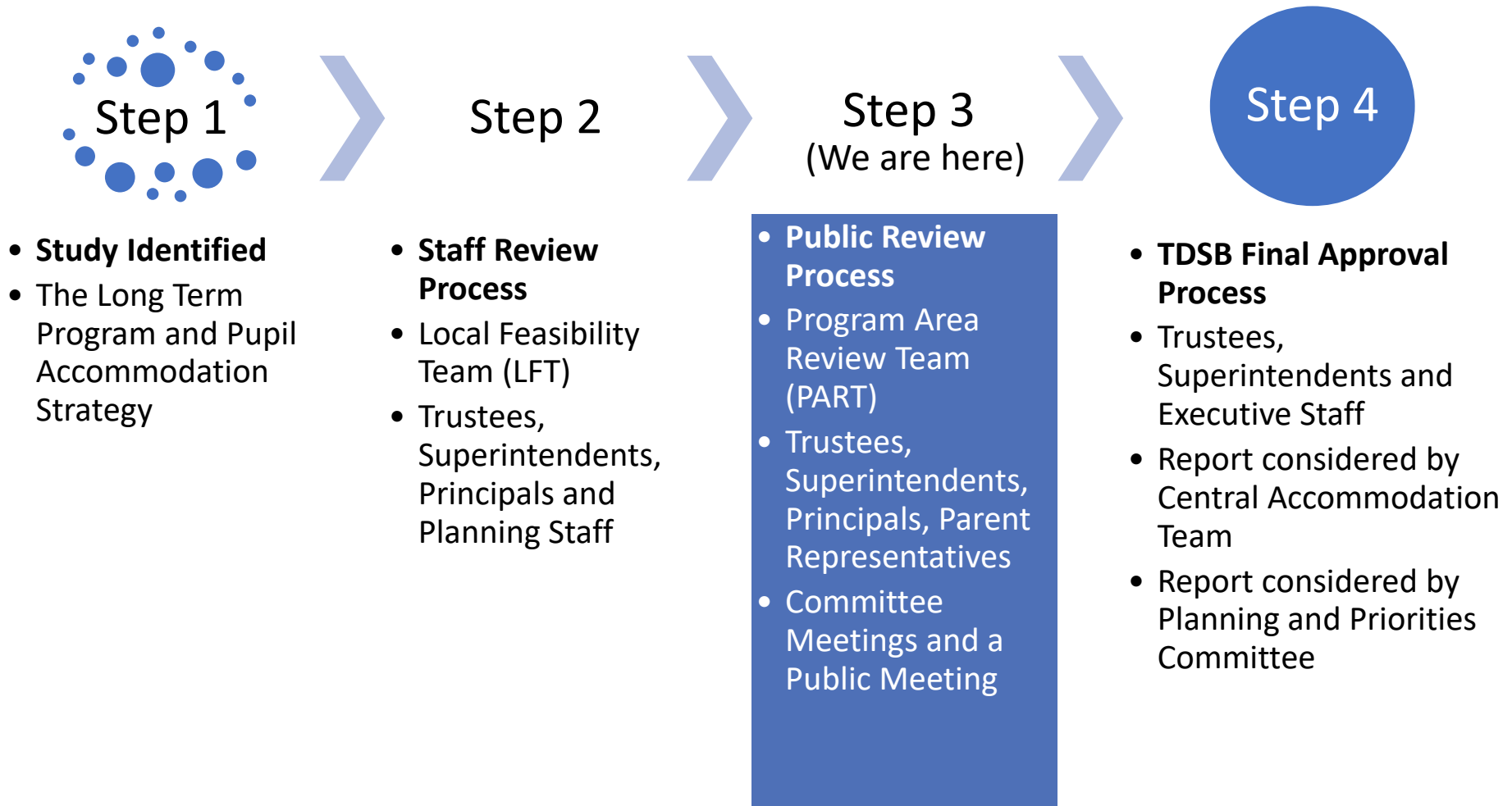
- The LTPAS advances the system goal to “provide equity of access to learning opportunities for all students”
- The document identifies a number of studies to be undertaken to resolve existing and future accommodation pressures in the City
- Grade Change Study: Explore a grade expansion from JK-6 to JK-8 at North Bendale Junior PS. Graduating students are currently directed to Tredway Woodsworth PS at Grade 7.



Why are we here?

- The North Bendale Junior PS community have asked central staff to investigate a grade range expansion at the school.
- The current grade structure of North Bendale Junior PS is Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6. Staff are investigating the expansion of the site to include Grades 7 and 8.
- North Bendale Junior PS currently feeds into Tredway Woodsworth PS for Grades 7 and 8.

Program Area Review Process



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Role of the PART:

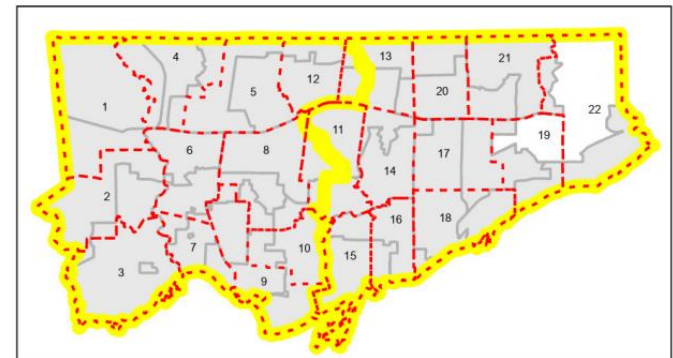
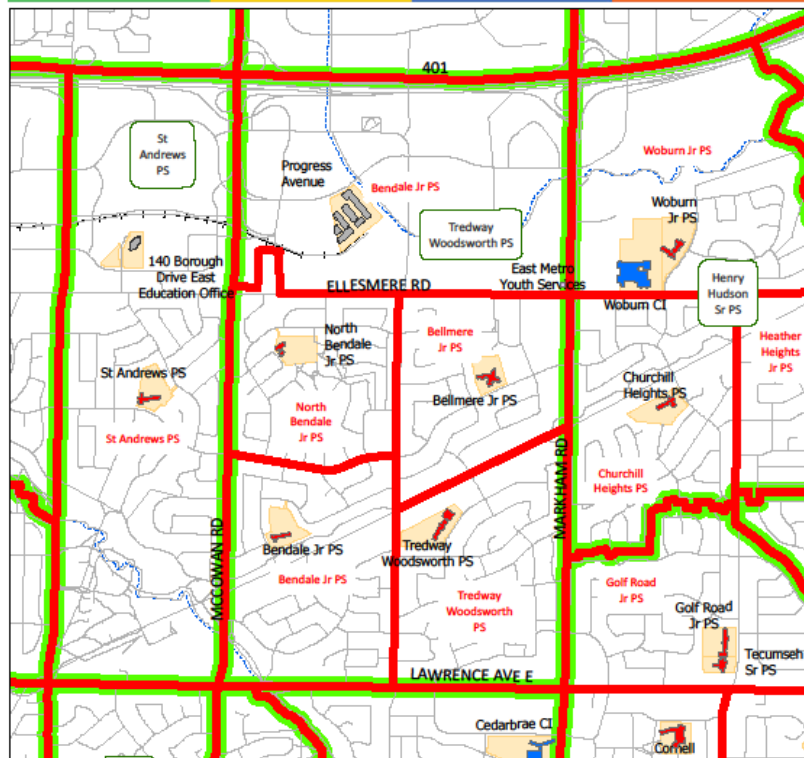
- Parents from each school, Principals, Trustees and Superintendents work on the PART
- Advisory role
- The PART holds working meetings to review the proposed accommodation changes, receive and share information, and discuss the impacts
- The PART makes recommendations regarding the proposed accommodation changes
- Tonight we are presenting an Option that the PART has discussed

Map of Schools in the Program Area Review



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North Bendale Junior Public School LFT
Existing Junior and Intermediate
Attendance Areas



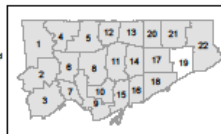
Please note:
The lines on this map representing the Attendance Areas are approximate. For specific information on designated schools to serve individual addresses, please consult the TDSB Street Guide.

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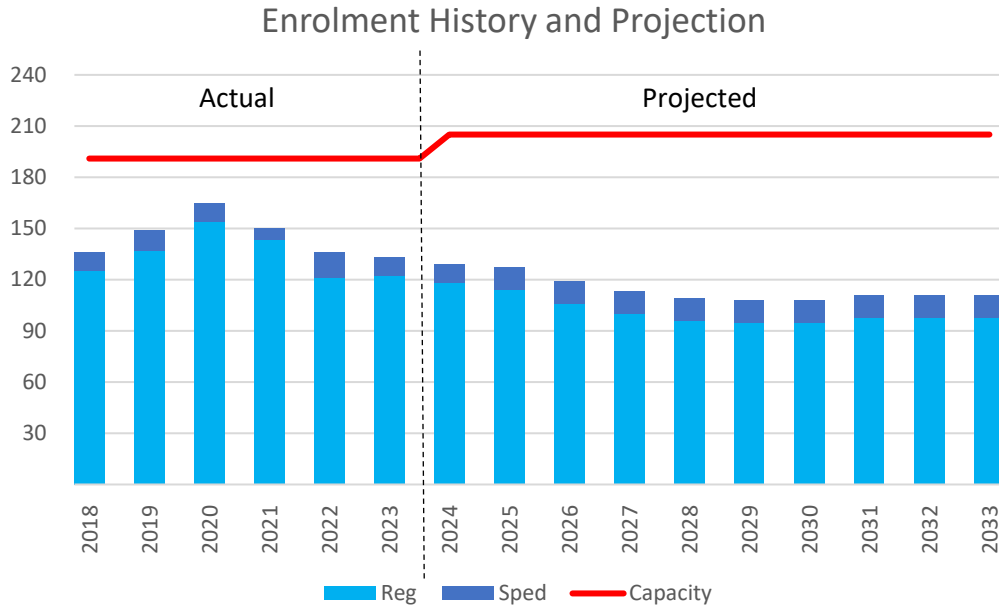
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- Legend:
- Elementary School
 - Secondary School
 - Other TDSB Facility
 - Site
 - Junior Attendance Area
 - Intermediate Attendance Area
 - Major Road
 - Utility
 - Waterway



Current Situation – North Bendale Jr PS



North Bendale Junior PS

JK-Grade 6 (English track)

Current School Capacity: 205

2024/25 Enrolment (Oct. 31 2024): 127

Current Building Utilization: 62%

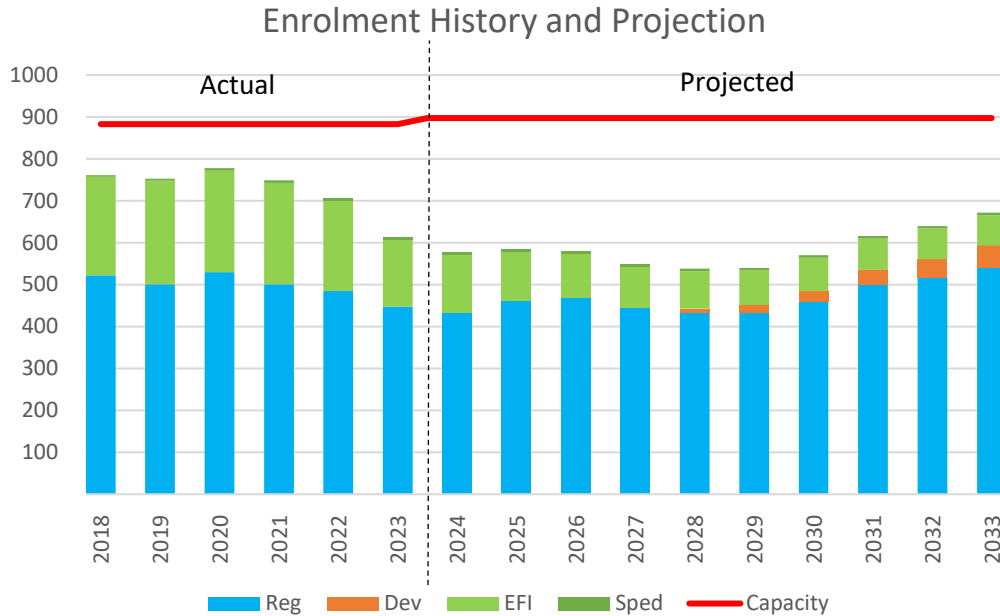
2024/25 Out of Area Status: Limited

Existing Permanent Classroom Spaces: 11

Programs: Diagnostic Kinder (1 classroom)
Behavioural (1 classroom)

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
Enrolment	133	127	127	119	113	109	108	108	111	111	111
Utilization	65%	62%	62%	58%	55%	53%	53%	53%	54%	54%	54%
Classroom Surplus/Deficit	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3

Current Situation – Tredway Woodsworth PS



Tredway Woodsworth PS
Grade JK – Grade 8 (English & French Immersion)

Current School Capacity: 897

2024/25 Enrolment (Oct. 31 2024): 574

Current Building Utilization: 64%

2024/25 Out of Area Status:

Regular: Limited

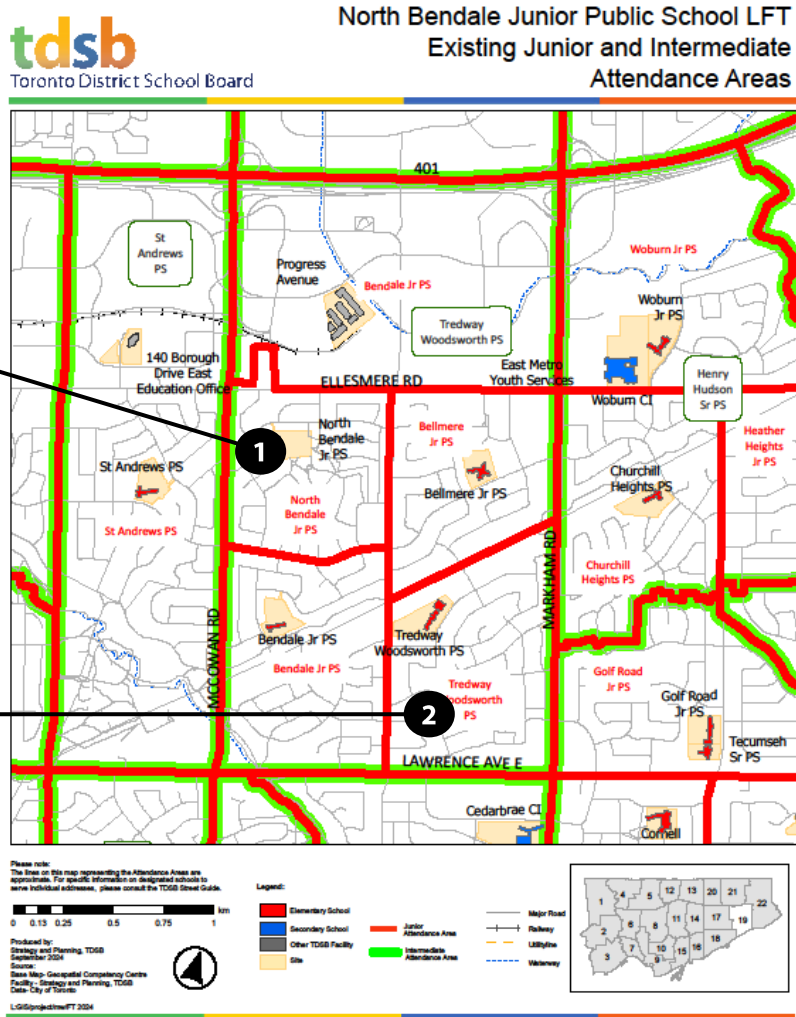
French Immersion: Closed

Existing Permanent Classroom Spaces: 36

Programs: Autism (1 classroom)

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
Enrolment	612	574	585	580	549	538	540	570	616	640	672
Utilization	68%	64%	65%	65%	61%	60%	60%	64%	69%	71%	75%
Classroom Surplus/ Deficit	9	9	10	11	11	12	11	9	7	6	5

Staff Proposal

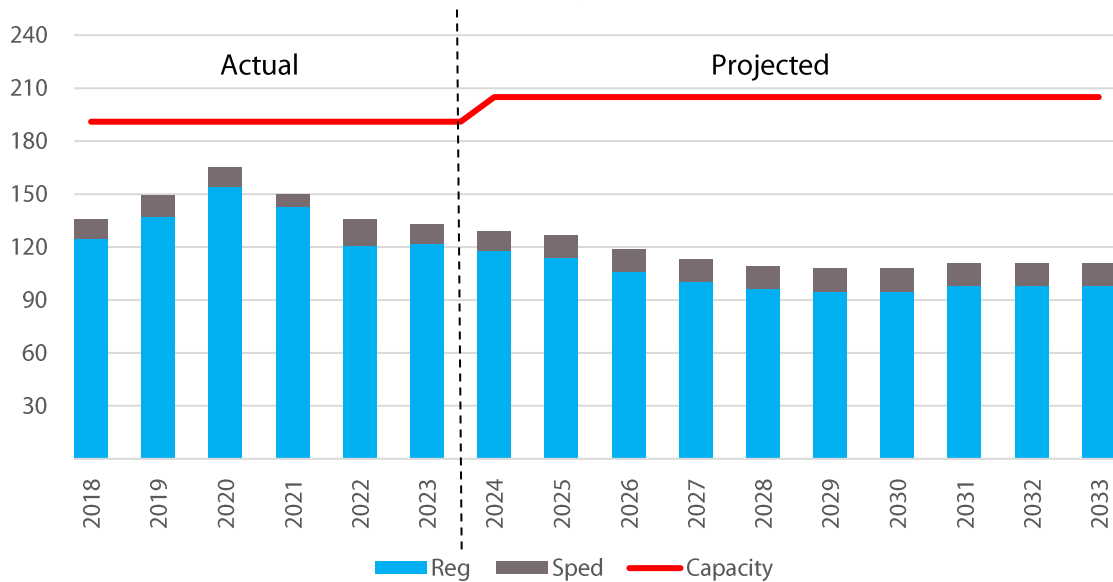


Staff Proposal – North Bendale Junior PS

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Grade range expansion of North Bendale Junior PS effective September 2025.

Enrolment History and Projection



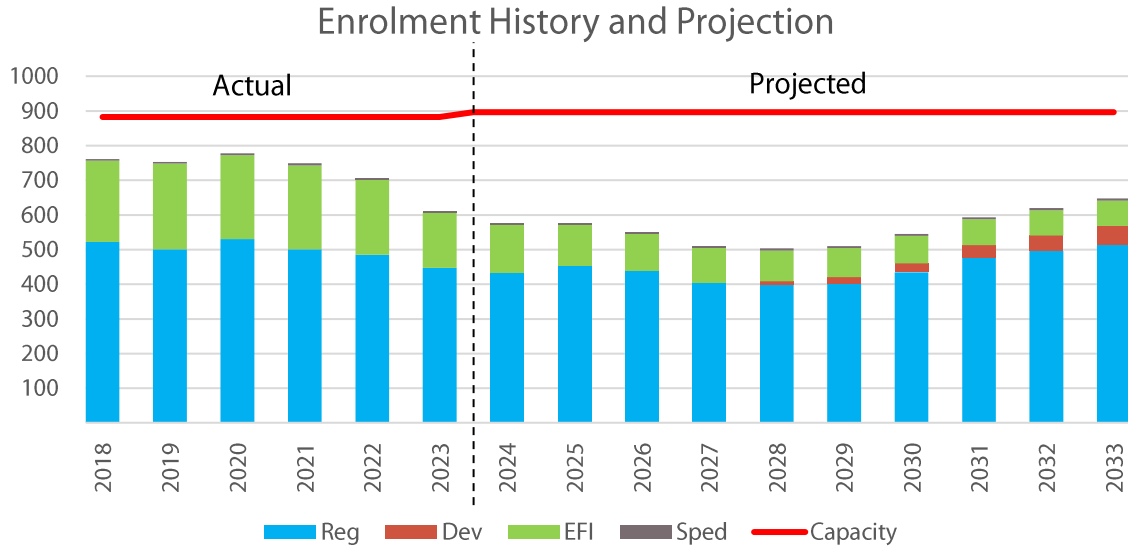
- Grade range expansion begins in September 2025, by retaining current gr 6 class into gr 7. Grade range expansion complete in September 2026 with retention of Gr 8s.
- Grade 7 class projected to be 13 students in 2025 and 13 gr. 8s in 2026.
- Into the future the class size stabilizes between 19-34 combined students in both grade 7 and 8.

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
Enrolment	133	127	140	150	147	139	133	130	130	130	133
Utilization	65%	62%	68%	73%	72%	68%	65%	63%	63%	63%	65%
Classroom Surplus/ Deficit	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2

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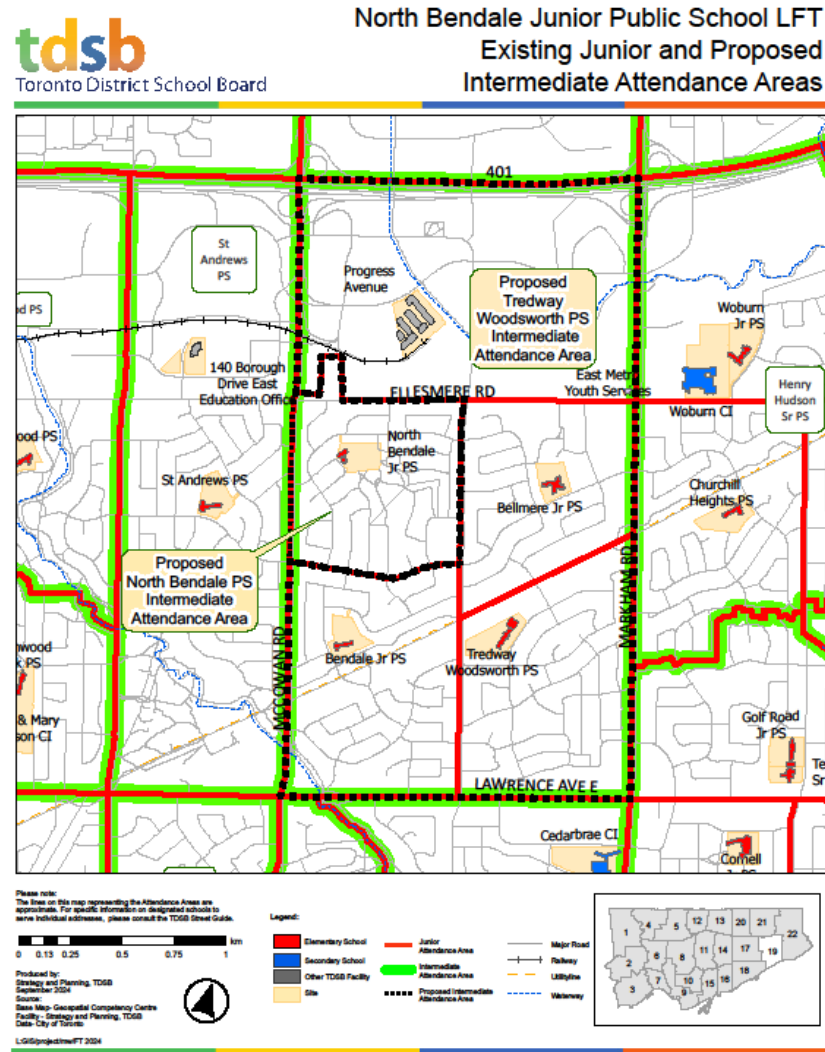
Grade range expansion of North Bendale Junior PS effective September 2025.



- Grade range expansion begins at North Bendale Jr in 2025. Tredway Woodsworth no longer receives North Bendale Jr as a feeder in gr. 7.
- In 2025, this would mean no longer receiving the projected 13 gr. 7s from North Bendale Jr.
- Into the longer term the number of students we would expect Tredway Woodsworth to no longer receive would be 13-18 per grade or 19-34 total.

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
Enrolment	612	574	572	551	515	508	515	548	597	621	650
Utilization	69%	64%	64%	61%	57%	57%	57%	61%	67%	69%	72%
Classroom Surplus/Deficit	9	9	10	12	12	13	12	10	8	7	6

Staff Proposal – Attendance Boundaries



What we have learned from the K-8 model with no rotary in schools of approximately 300 students or less:

- Better connection with teacher and a stronger class community
- One main teacher contact facilitates stronger communication
- Greater opportunities for co-planning between teachers
- Greater consistency in curriculum delivery
- Fewer transition times
- Greater flexibility within class time so teachers can increase/decrease instruction in specific subjects when needed (no bells to limit structure)
- Fewer office referrals

Staff Proposal Summary

- That North Bendale Jr PS expands its grades from a JK-6 to JK-8 starting in September 2025.
- That Tredway Woodsworth PS no longer becomes a pathway for North Bendale Jr PS Grade 6 students.

****Staff are seeking feedback on the phase-in approach of the grade expansion (one grade per year or both intermediate grades as of September 2025).***

Staff Proposal – Additional Information

- North Bendale Junior PS utilization rate increases to a range of 63% to 73% over the course of the next several years.
 - Increase of 1-2 additional classrooms being used
- Tredway Woodsworth PS utilization rate decreases very slightly from the high 50s and low 60s, however increases in the long-term to over 70% as development comes online.
 - Decrease of 1-2 classrooms being used per year.

Planning Required for 2025-2026

- Library resources to be curated to meet the needs of intermediate learners
- Additional opportunities for Grade 7 (and then) Grade 8 leadership through innovative programs
- Student Council leadership
- Enhanced teams/clubs that can occur as a result of increased student population and associated staff allocation
- Mentoring of new Grade 7 (and then) Grade 8 teachers from teachers in other K-8 schools

Next Steps

Please complete our Public Meeting Survey:

- A Feedback Survey is now open. The link to the survey is also available on the TDSB review webpage

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Strategy-Planning/Search-All-Reviews/id/201>

- Comments and questions can be submitted by e-mail to:
accommodationreviews@tdsb.on.ca

Next Steps

- Staff will draft a report to the Board of Trustees for approval.
- The report will be presented to the Planning and Priorities Committee (PPC) of the Board on **Wednesday, February 12th, 2025.**
- PPC Meeting is when the **public has an opportunity to depute to the Board.**

Next Steps

- To register a delegation, you must e-mail Governance and Board Services at delegates@tdsb.on.ca by **Monday, February 10th, 2025, at 4pm.**
- For more information regarding this process, please visit: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/leadership/boardroom/delegations>
- The Board of Trustees will make a final decision on **Wednesday, February 19, 2025.**



Feedback: Comments, Questions, and Answers

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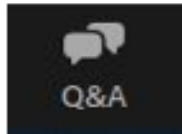
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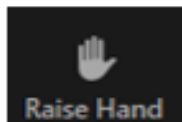
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