

Hodgson Middle School

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Dear Parents/Caregivers and Guardians of Hodgson Middle School as of September 2023,

Subject: Update on Tour of 529 Vaughan Road (site of Hodgson MS for 2023-24 and 2024-25)

We are writing to provide you with an important update regarding the upcoming tour.

The response to our invitation has been overwhelming, with close to 500 parents, caregivers, guardians, and students signing up to participate. In an effort to accommodate the demand, we have made the decision to add an additional tour date and divide attendees over the two dates. It is not possible to tour everyone at once.

The tours will now take place on **Tuesday**, **June 6 and Tuesday**, **June 13**, **with both tours commencing at 6:30 PM**. To ensure fairness and organise the tours effectively, we will be dividing the participants based on the date of sign-up. We will be taking the first 250 attendees who have registered to attend on June 6th, while the remainder will be able to attend on June 13th. You will be receiving a follow up email to confirm your tour date.

Due to ongoing construction to ensure the building is fully functional for Hodgson students in September, the main parking lot is currently inaccessible. As a result, onsite parking will only be available for individuals who require accessibility assistance. We kindly encourage attendees to sign up for the provided yellow school bus transportation for the tours (buses will be available for both June 6th and June 13th), seek alternative modes of transportation which do not require parking, or allow extra time to find neighbourhood parking which is limited.

In addition, as the school is currently a construction zone, the tour will be restricted to certain areas. To provide families with a comprehensive understanding of the scope of the project and the site, we will have video footage and photographs available for your viewing of the parts of the building currently inaccessible. Staff are also working on a video tour so that those not able to attend the tours in person will be able to get a sense of the school site. In addition, toward the end of August, we will provide an additional opportunity to tour the facility for families who were not able to attend either of the tours in June.

We thank you in advance for your support of the new tour schedule. We are excited to welcome everyone over the next few weeks and look forward to sharing the progress of the construction and showcasing the wonderful opportunities that await our Hodgson students at 529 Vaughan Road.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the tour arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Finally, thank you for your understanding and support as we navigate through this exciting transition period.

Sincerely, Wanda Bozzo