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Dear Hodgson Middle School Community and Feeder Schools:

On December 5, 2022, we confirmed for you that Hodgson Middle School will be temporarily relocated to 529 Vaughan Road (former Vaughan Road Academy) for safety and programming reasons during the construction of the addition to the Hodgson building. Hodgson MS will be relocated in the summer of 2023 and remain at 529 Vaughan Road for the duration of the construction which is anticipated to take two years.

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with an update on next steps.

Transportation

Staff are currently developing a survey to go to parents/caregivers of students who will be attending Hodgson MS next school year to determine their preferred transportation option. This will include students currently in grades 5, 6 and 7. Families will be able to choose for their child to take a school bus or receive TTC tickets. There will not be an option for students to switch between school bus and TTC tickets once the school year begins but there will be an opportunity to change transportation option between school years.

There will be multiple designated school bus stops throughout the Hodgson catchment area, close to the junior feeder schools and Hodgson MS. Pick-up and drop-off times for each school bus stop will follow a set schedule. If students miss the school bus at their scheduled stop there are no additional busses.

There will also be early and late busses to support before and after school activities. A smaller number of bus stops will be used by the early and late busses; these stops will be dispersed throughout the Hodgson catchment area. Schedules for students using the early and late busses will be created by the school for each season or term. Students will only take the early or late busses on the day of their before or after school activity. The school will have a schedule showing which bus students are on for each day of the week.

The survey will be sent to parents/caregivers in the next few weeks. It will contain maps and more information on the school bus option and the TTC tickets option.

Open House at 529 Vaughan Road

An Open House will be scheduled in the coming months for families and students to visit the 529 Vaughan Road building. This will provide families the opportunity to wander the hallways and see the classrooms.

A webpage has been set up to provide information about the relocation and construction project at Hodgson MS: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Strategy-Planning/Search-All-Reviews/id/168>

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Sarah Libera, Planner, at sarah.libera@tdsb.on.ca.

Sincerely,



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