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## SW Brantford Attendance Boundary Review: Public Meeting

Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board
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## Attendance Area Change Drivers



## SW Brantford Attendance Boundary Review: Why a Review? <br> FOCUS: SCHOOL UTILIZATIONS \& SCHOOL BOUNDARIES

- Schools (collectively) in the City of Brantford, especially in the Southwest, are operating with high utilizations and in many instances, enrolment is well above the permanent capacity of the school;
- St. Basil is operating at $\sim 140 \%$ utilization of permanent capacity and requires several portables to accommodate enrolment and St. Gabriel is also operating over capacity. Enrolments at both schools are projected to continue to increase.
- 3 schools have been identified for this review - St. Basil, St. Gabriel and St. Theresa.


## Possible Outcomes, Limitations and Considerations

## Outcomes of the Attendance Area Review:

Implement boundary adjustments to balance and improve school utilizations to make the best use of school board resources (spaces) and improve overall student outcomes by:

- Utilizing excess capacity in one facility to alleviate over capacity in another to better meet program needs for all students
- Creating opportunities to better serve all students
- Reduce the need for portable classrooms/better distribute portables


## Limitations \& Considerations:

School size, school location relative to existing and future students, travel time, walking distances, transportation, property size, Ministry of Education benchmarks and policies, and BHNCDSB policies and procedures.
Consideration should also be given to staffing requirements and space, parking etc. Transitional provisions and legacy agreements and associated impacts, should also be considered as part of any final scenarios and recommendations.

## Committee Survey \#1

What are some initial issues you see with the existing conditions at your school?


- Enrolment pressures " Too many portables
- Too much space - Small enrolments
- Long bus times - Other (please specify)

Are there any unique circumstances surrounding your school and community that you feel Board staff and the consultant team should be aware of?

Repeated Themes: Safety/increased traffic/parking issues, walking conditions, staffing/resources.

## Committee Survey \#2



## Current Situation

Existing School Boundaries



# City of Brantford 

Anticipated Residential
Growth Areas

## Current Situation

## Demographics - SW Brantford



Enrolment and Utilization Current and Projected

| School Name | On-TheGround Capacity | HISTORICAL |  |  |  | PROJECTED |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2011 / \\ & 2012 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2016 / \\ & 2017 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20201 \\ & 2021 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2021 / \\ & 2022 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20221 \\ & 2023 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20261 \\ & 2027 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2031 / \\ & 2032 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| St. Basil | 484.0 | 248 | 419 | 547 | 562 | 657 | 852 | 1,191 |
| St. Gabriel | 389.0 | 445 | 440 | 412 | 392 | 398 | 411 | 544 |
| St Theresa | 210.0 | 152 | 173 | 167 | 176 | 189 | 185 | 175 |
| TOTAL | 1,083.0 | 845 | 1,032 | 1,126 | 1,130 | 1,244 | 1,447 | 1,910 |


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|  |  | $\begin{gathered} 2011 / \\ 2012 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 20161 \\ 2017 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20201 \\ 2021 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2021 / \\ 2022 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20221 \\ & 2023 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 20261 \\ & 2027 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 2031 / \\ 2032 \end{gathered}$ |
| St. Basil | 484.0 | 51\% | 87\% | 113\% | 116\% | 136\% | 176\% | 246\% |
| St. Gabriel | 389.0 | 114\% | 113\% | 106\% | 101\% | 102\% | 106\% | 140\% |
| St Theresa | 210.0 | 72\% | 82\% | 80\% | 84\% | 90\% | 88\% | 83\% |
| TOTAL | 1,083.0 | 78\% | 95\% | 104\% | 104\% | 115\% | 134\% | 176\% |

## School Attendance Border Crossing

| Attending School | Border-Crossing "In" <br> \# of students from other school area, attending this school | Border-Crossing "Out" <br> \# of students from this school area, attending elsewhere | Border-Crossing "Net" |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| St. Basils | 30 | 132 | -102 |
| St Gabriel K - 8 | 116 | 17 | 99 |
| St Theresa K - 8 | 19 | 39 | -20 |
| Total | 165 | 188 | -23 |

- 9 St. Basil's students reside in the St. Gabriel boundary
- 88 St. Gabriel students reside in the St. Basil's boundary
- 15 St. Gabriel students reside in the St. Theresa boundary
- 13 St. Theresa students reside in the St. Basil's boundary


## Border Crossing



19 St. Basil's students reside in the St. Gabriel boundary
(2) 88 St. Gabriel students reside in the St. Basil's boundary
(3) 15 St. Gabriel students reside in the St. Theresa boundary
(4) 13 St. Theresa students reside in the St. Basil's boundary

## Possible Boundary Option 1: SW Brantford



## Possible Boundary Option 2: SW Brantford


Extend St Teresa's catchment into St Basils;
Extend St Gabriel's catchment into St Basils.
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Current Conditions
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(2022)

| St Basil | 484 | 658 | $136 \%$ | 6 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| St. Gabriel | 389 | 398 | $102 \%$ | 6 |


| St. Theresa | 210 | 191 | $91 \%$ | 0 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 , 0 8 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 2 4 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |


| Proposed Conditions |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| School | OTG | 2022 <br> Enrolment | Utilization | \# of <br> Portables <br> (2022) |
| St Basil | 484 | 583 | $120 \%$ | 4 |
| St. Gabriel | 389 | 423 | $109 \%$ | 1 |
| St. Theresa | 210 | 241 | $115 \%$ | 1 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 , 0 8 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 2 4 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 5 \%}$ | 7 |

## Possible Boundary Option 3: SW Brantford



## Possible Boundary Options: Creation Of Holding Areas



1 Develop holding zones where significant development is expected, holding students at schools with existing surplus space.

## NEXT STEPS

- School communities to provide feedback based on options presented.
- Survey to be distributed online
- Community members can also submit questions or comments to swbrantford@bhncdsb.ca
- Prepare and present final options to Trustees for approval on April 25 @ 7:00PM


## QUESTIONS/COMMENTS?

