

CORPORATE SERVICES, STRATEGIC PLANNING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

ELEMENTARY BOUNDARY REVIEW – HOLY TRINITY (CHRIST THE KING AND ST. TERESA), ST. AMBROSE AND ST. LEO (WARD 2)

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11NIV

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RECOMMENDATION REPORT

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The Toronto Catholic District School Board is an inclusive learning community uniting home, parish and school and rooted in the love of Christ.

We educate students to grow in grace and knowledge to lead lives of faith, hope and charity.



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A. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides information and a recommendation that a boundary review for the Holy Trinity (approved consolidation of Christ the King and St. Teresa), St. Ambrose and St. Leo school communities be approved for initiation, and implemented in accordance with the *Elementary School Attendance Boundary Review Policy (S.A. 03) (Appendix 'A')*.

The cumulative staff time dedicated to this endeavour was 6.0 hours.

B. PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this report is to gain approval to initiate a boundary review for the Holy Trinity, St. Ambrose and St. Leo school communities.

C. BACKGROUND

- 1. The TCDSB was given Ministry approval on July 19, 2011 to construct 536 pupil place replacement school for the Holy Trinity CS. This funding allocation was a result of completion and approval of a School Accommodation Review consolidating Christ the King and St. Teresa elementary schools into a new school on the Lakeshore Grounds (since renamed Holy Trinity) in late 2009.
- 2. Construction of the new Holy Trinity has begun. Completion is anticipated to be within the 2017-18 school year (September 2017) and will therefore impact registration beginning in January 2017.
- 3. The report *Elementary Boundary Review Ranking*, approved by Trustees at their meeting of January 21, 2016, identified the grouping of the Holy Trinity, St. Ambrose and St. Leo for review.

D. EVIDENCE/RESEARCH/ANALYSIS

- 4. Christ the King and St. Teresa will be consolidated into the new Holy Trinity in September 2017. The Holy Trinity is being constructed to a Ministry rated capacity of 536 pupil places. If there is no adjustment to the existing attendance boundary the enrolment of the new school will approach 500 students immediately and is projected to increase over time surpassing the 600 student level in less than 10 years. The school will quickly become oversubscribed with no room for temporary accommodation solutions on site.
- 5. St. Ambrose is a recently rebuilt school, occupied in 2012, and has a Ministry rated capacity of 398 pupil places. The projected enrolment of 348 pupils in 2017 is anticipated to increase over the next 10 years.
- 6. On May 18, 2016 the TCDSB received Ministry approval to construct a replacement school of approximately 500 pupil places at St. Leo. This funding approval was a direct result of a recent School Accommodation Review in the area. St. Leo is projected to have an enrolment of approximately 240 students in 2017 however the Board approved a closure of nearby St. Louis for September of 2018 (when the new school is anticipated to be complete) will result in an increase in enrolment at the new school to approximately 480 students.
- 7. Based on a comprehensive evaluation of the Holy Trinity, St. Ambrose and St. Leo attendance boundaries, an adjustment to the existing boundaries will allow for a balancing of enrolment in the area and ensure optimal utilization of all three facilities.
- 8. As the new Holy Trinity is anticipated to open in September 2017, the boundary review process should begin as soon as possible with an ultimate goal of having a decision on boundary changes prior to the beginning of the elementary registration period for the 2017-18 school year.

E. ACTION PLAN

9. Subject to Board approval of the initiation of an attendance boundary review for the Holy Trinity, St. Ambrose and St. Leo, the school communities, including Christ the King and St. Teresa, will be informed of the initiation of the review process and the timelines and procedures involved (Appendix 'B').

- 10.Pursuant to the *Elementary School Attendance Boundary Review Policy (S.A. 03) (Appendix 'A')*, the community must receive written notification of a Public Meeting at least 30 days prior to the actual meeting date. Provided notice of the initiation of a review in this area is distributed on **Nov. 10, 2016** the **earliest** possible date for a public meeting will be **Dec.12, 2016.** A minimum of **one (1)** public meeting is required by policy.
- 11.If the Boundary Review Committee reaches a consensus decision, the communities will be notified of the boundary changes and dates of implementation. No further reporting will be necessary and the review will be deemed complete.
- 12.If the Boundary Review Committee does not reach a consensus, recommendations of staff and those of the Committee will be brought to the Board for a final decision. The reporting cycle will require 1 to 3 months for completion dependent on the Committee and community input and scheduling of Board meetings. Reporting stages are as follows:
 - Committee or Board meeting
 - Director's report inclusive of BRC report is considered.
 - Committee or Board meeting
 - Opportunity for Public delegations and written submissions in response to the Director's and the BRC's reports.
 - Committee or Board meeting
 - Final Report from the Director is considered, which takes into account the results of the public input provided at the previous meetings. The Board will make a final decision.

F. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That a boundary review for the Holy Trinity, St. Ambrose and St. Leo school communities be approved for initiation and implementation in accordance with the *Elementary School Attendance Boundary Review Policy (S.A. 03)*.