



**DURHAM CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**
Learning and Living in Faith

Memorandum

To: Board of Trustees
From: Tracy Barill, Director of Education
Date: April 24, 2023
Subject: **Brooklin Boundary Changes Update**
Origin: Mike O'Neill, Superintendent of Education, Academic Services

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board of Trustees with an update on the implementation of the Brooklin boundary changes for September 2023.

Background

At the December 19th, 2022 board meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the Boundary Review Committee's recommendations that the boundary revisions to the Brooklin Regular (English) Track Program and boundary change be implemented for September 2023. This included a possible option for Grade 6 and 7 English tracks at St. Leo C.S. being surveyed regarding their preference to remain at St. Leo C.S. for Gr 7 and 8.

Information/Analysis/Research

Initial enrolment projections for September 2023 at the schools impacted by the boundary change does not appear to be negatively impacted as a result of the boundary changes.

In February, a survey of interest to remain at St. Leo for Gr 7 and 8 were provided to current Gr. 6 and 7 student families. The results of the survey indicated 23 students of 28 were choosing to remain. As a result of this interest, Sr. Admin has approved the grandfathering of these students to remain at St. Leo until graduation. New students to the area in Gr. 7 and 8 will register at St. Bridget or St. John Paul CS.

The chart below indicates a timeline of ongoing implementation activities to support the transition of the remaining English stream students from St. Leo C.S. to St. Bridget C.S.

Transition Activities

Timelines	Activity
March through June	Monthly newsletter sent to all English families transitioning from St. Leo C.S. This includes information about their new school, schedules, and other opportunities to visit school
April 28th	K- Gr. 3 students and staff visit St. John Paul II C.S. for Crock a Doodle activity
May 4th	Catholic Education Week Open House for new families and staff at St. John Paul II C. S.
May 19th	Gr. 5-8 students and staff participating in joint Scientist in the School workshops
June 15th	Whole school (both St. Leo and St. John Paul II) year-end community picnic at Cullen Park in Whitby

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