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	□ Program and School Services Advisory Committee			
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2019-2020 Accommodation Planning Priority Areas Background Report				
Susan Mark, Superintendent of Facility Services and Capital Planning Carlos Henriquez, Manager of Capital Projects, Facility Services Christie Kent, Planner				
☐ Approval				
To provide information and seek advice from the Planning and Priorities Advisory Committee on the 2019 – 2020 Accommodation Planning Priority Areas.				
1.0 Background				
An integral component of long-term student accommodation planning is the development of a system-wide strategic plan that highlights priority and pressure areas across Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB). Historically, Facility Services staff have published Draft Accommodation Plans for the elementary and secondary panels. These documents have highlighted areas with potential accommodation concerns where more detailed observation and examination were required and offered recommendations to address accommodation challenges. Since the last iteration of the Draft Accommodation Plans was published in 2017 (Secondary) and 2018 (Elementary), a number of proposed Ministry of Education (Ministry) changes have been announced. Due to the uncertainties surrounding the implications of these proposed changes, staff opted to utilize an alternative approach to identifying and presenting the 2019-2020 priority areas. The basis of the 2019-2020 priority areas is a number of key considerations that are centred on responding to a foundational question to be answered using an accommodation planning lens: What does TVDSB need, for what purpose(s), in which location(s) and in what timeframe?				
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2.0 Key Considerations for the 2019 – 2020 Accommodation Planning Priority Areas

Staff recognized a need to establish baseline criteria to guide this strategic planning exercise and developed an evaluative framework. Staff identified a range of key considerations that contribute to pressure points and the need for strategic accommodation solutions. The outlined key considerations change based on the implications of Ministry direction, criteria for Capital Priorities submissions and / or updates resulting from audits of development data.

1. Available accommodation planning tools and the anticipated impact of changes to classroom loading and the on-the-ground (OTG) capacity of school facilities

At the time of writing this report, the Ministry had not yet provided direction on the moratorium on school closures or provided an indication of how proposed changes to classroom loading will affect the OTG capacity of schools over the proposed implementation timeframe. Utilization rates provided within the presentation are based on actualized student enrolment data as of 2018 October 31 and school capacity data for the 2018-2019 school year.

With this in consideration, staff have excluded areas where a Pupil Accommodation Review (PAR) has been identified as the primary planning tool required to address the accommodation challenge(s). Similarly, staff have not emphasized accommodation planning within the secondary panel as a system-wide review of secondary schools will be necessary once direction on PARs and revised classroom loading data is available.

2. Identified enrolment swings or pressure area, including the cause(s) of the shifts, the duration and the effect(s) on the school facility rate of utilization

There are a number of areas, particularly within the elementary panel of the London region, which have significant and sustained enrolment pressures. These enrolment swings are largely attributed to migration, immigration and new residential development. Enrolment pressures result in the overutilization of school facilities and the need for on-site temporary accommodation measures, which have the potential to result in staffing, programming and cost implications.

3. Clusters of residential growth and development yielding students within existing holding zones and utilization rates at holding schools / adjacent schools

Significant residential growth and development has continued to impact student yields in certain areas of the Board. In neighbourhoods experiencing rapid growth and / or where residential development is planned, TVDSB has routinely established holding zones and designated holding schools as interim accommodation measures until long-term accommodation solutions could be implemented. Long-term accommodation solutions may be achieved through an attendance area review, construction of a new school, or additions / renovations to increase facility capacity at an existing school. Funding requests for capital investments, such as new schools and additions, are submitted to the Ministry through business cases for Capital Priorities.

A number of holding zones and designated holding schools exist throughout the system within the elementary panel. In some areas of the system, designated holding schools are experiencing enrolment pressures, resulting in unbalanced facility utilization rates and the potential need for new school facilities. It is noted that in the past, the Ministry has recommended reviewing and balancing school utilization rates in advance of pursuing capital investment funding.

 Socio-economic and demographic composition of attendance areas and associated sensitivities

Settlement patterns and neighbourhood maturity, as well as population characteristics, are contemplated collectively as a key consideration as potential changes to student accommodation may families and neighbourhood structure. Staff recognize the elements of vulnerability and accessibility associated with long-term accommodation planning solutions in certain attendance areas.

5. Implementation of approved motions from Pupil Accommodation Reviews

Included within the 2017 Capital Priorities submission to the Ministry was land and capital funding requests to support new schools in Belmont and south east St. Thomas, which were and continue to be necessary to facilitate the continued implementation of Elementary Pupil Accommodation Review-01 (EPAR – 01). The noted schools were intended to consolidate student populations from New Sarum PS, South Dorchester PS, Springfield PS and Westminister Central PS, which were approved for closure on 2017 May 23, as well as accommodate residential growth occurring in south east St. Thomas.

3.0 Summary of 2019 – 2020 Accommodation Planning Priority Areas and Accommodation Planning Tools

In recent years, areas across the TVDSB's four regions have experienced unprecedented and unpredicted growth and development while other areas of the Board have continued to experience population and enrolment decline. As the accommodation planning toolkit is presently limited by an inability to undertake new PARs, the 2019-2020 Accommodation Planning Priority Areas are centred on reviewing these areas to evaluate historic and forecasted enrolment trends, identifying potential opportunities and strategies to mitigate enrolment pressures, balancing utilization rates of TVDSB facilities and reducing the number of empty pupil places across the system.

Staff have identified eight (8) priority areas based on the key considerations, 2018 – 2019 System Facility Utilization Rate Maps (Appendix B) and discussions with Senior Administration:

- Eagle Heights PS
- Sir Arthur Currie PS / North London
- West London
- Southwest London
- St. Thomas
- Woodstock / Oxford County
- Implementation of EPAR-01
- Secondary Panel All Schools

Additional details, including maps of holding zones, designated holding schools, enrolment and utilization data (where applicable) and key considerations are included within Appendix A. Student enrolment, enrolment projections and facility utilization rates are dynamic in nature and are affected by a number of variables on an on-going basis. Enrolment projections have been used to provide an indication of forecasted enrolment trends based on socio-economic, demographic and settlement data.

For background, holding zones and portables are used as interim measures to accommodate actual and projected enrolment shifts across the TVDSB.

Holding zones are used as a strategic accommodation planning tool where an area of growth and pending residential development within an existing attendance area is designated to attend a holding school due to facility capacity limitations at the local school. Holding zones allow for the evaluation of student yields and enrolment trends as an area develops and matures. Holding zones are generally established prior to the construction of dwellings in areas where there are no students presently, but significant yields are anticipated. As maturation of the neighbourhood comprising the holding zone occurs over several years, permanent accommodation plans are strategized and implemented, contingent on securing funding and Ministry approval.

Portables and porta-packs are temporary and semi-permanent instructional spaces added to an existing school site to supplement the facility's OTG capacity and accommodate additional teaching staff allocations resulting from enrolment pressures or other space constraints (e.g. during the construction of additional permanent space). Portable allocations are generally reactionary and the demonstrated need of these spaces may fluctuate on an annual basis or even throughout a single school year. Where reliance on portables and porta-paks is sustained or increased year-over-year, further evaluation is warranted and movement towards establishing a long-term accommodation solution in permanent instructional space is necessary.

	4.0 Next Steps Following the presentation to the Planning and Priorities Advisory Committee, staff in Facility Services, in collaboration with Senior Administration, will review feedback and direction received and develop strategic plans for the identified priority areas.				
	Staff will continue to await announcements from the Ministry regarding Capital Priorities submission criteria, guidelines and templates for PARs, and proposed changes to classroom loading.				
	The Annual Accommodation Planning Report will be presented to the Board of Trustees in the late Fall of 2019.				
Cost/Savings:	N/A				
Timeline:	Summer / Fall 2019: Action Plan and Background Reports (where applicable) Late Fall 2019: Presentation of the Annual Accommodation Planning Report To be determined: Submission of Capital Priorities Business Cases (if applicable)				
Communications:	N/A				
Appendices:	Appendix A: 2019-2020 Accommodation Planning Priority Areas Presentation				
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	Appendix B: 2018-2019 System Facility Utilization Maps Elementary Panel – System Overview Elementary Panel – By Region				
	Elementary Panel – By Region Elementary Panel – French Immersion Only				
	Secondary Panel – System Overview				
Strategic Priority Area(s):	☐ Students, families and staff are welcomed, respected and valued as partners.				
Relationships:	☐ Promote and build connections to foster mutually respectful communication among students, families, staff				
•	and the broader community.				
	 ☑ Create opportunities for collaboration and partnerships. ☑ Create opportunities for equitable access to programs and services for students. 				
Equity and Diversity:	☐ Students and all partners feel heard, valued and supported.				
	☐ Programs and services embrace the culture and diversity of students and all partners.				
	☐ More students demonstrate growth and achieve student learning outcomes with a specific focus on				
Achievement and Well-	numeracy and literacy.				
Being:	☐ Staff will demonstrate excellence in instructional practices.				
	☐ Enhance the safety and well-being of students and staff.				

Form Revised October 2018



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Background

Priority Areas contribute to development of Facility Services' Master Capital Plan by identifying annual and long-term capital initiatives and investment areas to be pursued by the Board in business cases and funding requests to the Ministry through Capital Priorities submissions

Identification and discussion of Accommodation Planning Priority Areas with Trustees assists Facility Services and Capital Projects staff to set summer projects and timelines

To facilitate sustainable and appropriate long-term student accommodation planning that aligns with the Board's Commitments, we ask:

What does TVDSB need, for what purposes(s), in which locations and in what timeframe?

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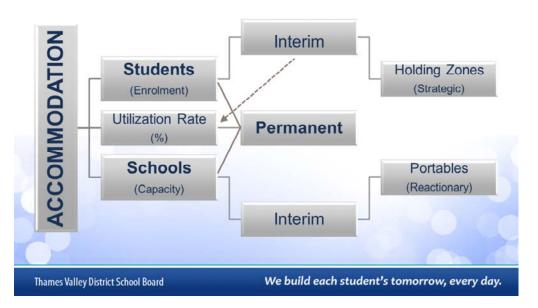
Background

Key Considerations for 2019 - 2020 Accommodation Planning Priority Areas

- Available accommodation planning tools and the anticipated impact of changes to classroom loading and the OTG capacity of school facilities
- 2. Identified enrolment swings or pressure areas, including the cause(s) of the shifts, the duration and the effect(s) on the school facility rate of utilization
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Accommodation Planning Framework



Accommodation Planning Framework

Accommodation Planning Tool Kit

Accommodation Planning Tools

· Attendance Area Reviews

Temporary Accommodation Measures

- Holding Zones
- Portables

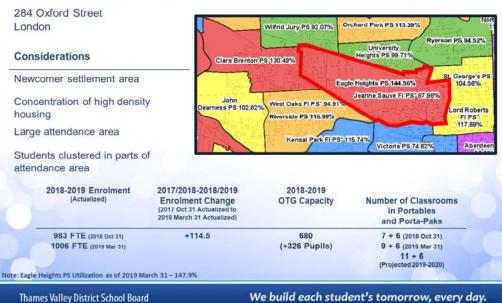


Current Limitations

- Unable to initiate Pupil Accommodation Reviews
- No new Ministry direction on moratorium on school closures
- Awaiting call from the Ministry for submissions for Capital Priorities

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Priority Area: Eagle Heights PS Attendance Area (Elementary)



Priority Area: North London (Elementary)

Sir Arthur Currie PS

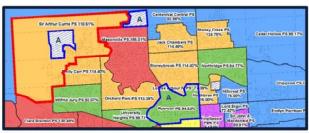
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Considerations

Area of significant residential development

Two large holding zones with growing student populations

Students in holding zones designated to attend Ryerson PS



A - Holding Zones designated to attend Ryerson PS as Holding School

2018-2019 Enrolment (Actualized)	2017/2018-2018/2019 Enrolment Change (2017 Oct 31 Actualized to 2019 March 31 Actualized)	2018-2019 OTG Capacity	Number Classrooms in Portables	2018-2019 Number of Students in Holding at Ryerson PS (2018 Oct 31 Actualized)
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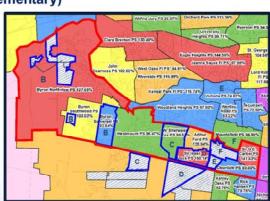
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Priority Area: West London (Elementary)

Schools

Byron Northview PS
Byron Southwood PS
Byron Somerset PS
John Dearness PS
Riverside PS
Westmount PS
W. Sherwood Fox PS
Arthur Ford PS
Sir Isaac Brock PS
Sir G.E. Cartier PS

- B Holding Zones to Byron Somerset PS
- C Holding Zone to W. Sherwood Fox PS
- D Holding Zone to Sir Isaac Brock PS
- E Holding Zones to Victoria PS
- F Holding Zone to Mountsfield PS



Considerations

Number of holding zones in areas of rapid residential growth designated to attend various schools

Balance utilization across this portion of the TVDSB system and determine if pursuing funding for a new elementary school is warranted

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Priority Area: South West London (Elementary)

Schools

Lambeth PS Ashley Oaks PS Rick Hansen PS White Oaks PS

C - Holding Zone to W. Sherwood Fox PS

D – Holding Zone to Sir Isaac Brock PS

G – Holding Zones to White Oaks PS

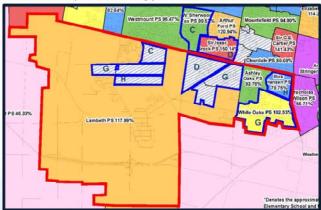
H – Holding Zone to Rick Hansen PS

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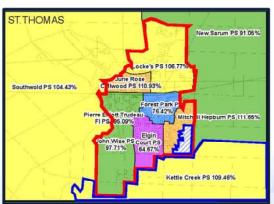
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Priority Area: St. Thomas (Elementary)

Schools

Forest Park PS Mitchell Hepburn PS Elgin Court PS South East St. Thomas Holding Zone (Holding at Kettle Creek PS)



Considerations

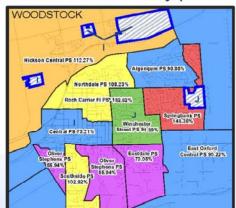
Balance utilization across this portion of the TVDSB system to support a business case for funding for a new elementary school (See EPAR-01)

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Priority Area: Woodstock / Oxford County (Elementary)

Schools

Hickson Central PS Northdale PS Algonquin PS Springbank PS Winchester Street PS Eastdale PS Oliver Stephens PS Southside PS Central PS Roch Carrier FI PS



I - Holding Zones to Central PS

J – Holding Zone to Winchester Street PS



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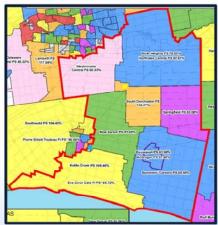
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Priority Area: Elementary Pupil Accommodation Review - 01

Schools

Davenport PS McGregor PS Mitchell Hepburn PS New Sarum PS (Approved for closure) Kettle Creek PS River Heights PS South Dorchester PS (Approved for closure) Éva Circé Côté FI PS Springfield PS (Approved for closure) Summers' Corners PS

Westminster Central PS (Approved for closure)

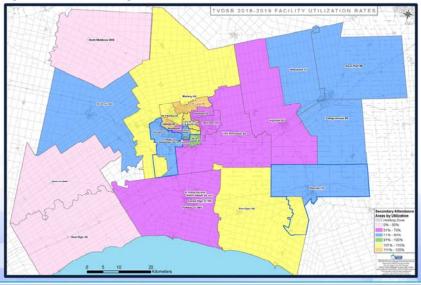


Considerations

Two new elementary schools necessary to fully implement EPAR-01 New Belmont PS New South East St. Thomas PS •

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Priority Area: Secondary Panel - All Schools



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Next Steps

Receive feedback from Planning and Priorities Advisory Committee

Await announcements from the Ministry of Education regarding Capital Priorities submissions, guidelines and templates for Pupil Accommodation Reviews, and changes to school facility OTG capacities

Continue to audit and review planned residential development and update phasing for residential projects under construction in priority areas

Through the Capital Planning Coordinating Committee:

- Determine priorities and build business cases for Capital Priorities submissions
- Identify Attendance Area Reviews to be initiated in 2019 2020
- Prepare Background Reports for consideration by the Trustees in Fall 2019

Annual Planning Report presented to the Trustees in early Winter 2019

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