



REPORT TO:	Planning and Priorities Advisory Committee
	Public or In-Camera (for Board Meetings only): Public
TITLE OF REPORT:	2024-2025 Accommodation Plan
PRESENTERS: <i>(list ONLY those attending the meeting)</i>	Geoff Vogt, Superintendent of Facility Services and Capital Planning Ben Puzanov, Manager of Planning
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PRESENTED FOR:	Approval
Recommendations: <i>(only required when presented for approval)</i>	<p>THAT a new holding zone (Northwest St. Thomas Holding) be established within the attendance area of Southwold PS (City of St. Thomas file no. 34T-23501, 34T-23502) and that all K-8 students from the holding zone attend Elgin Court PS commencing in September 2025 until permanent accommodations are available; and</p> <p>THAT the following schools be approved for potential facility collaborations:</p> <p>North Middlesex DHS Glencoe DHS Ingersoll DCI Springfield PS West Elgin SS</p>
Purpose: <i>(include context)</i>	To receive the 2024-2025 Accommodation Plan and consider associated recommendations.
Content:	<p>Background</p> <p>The TVDSB Accommodation Plan provides a system-wide review of student enrolment and identifies potential future submissions to the Ministry of Education's Capital Priorities Program for new capital investment across the district. In addition, Administration has identified future attendance area review work across the Valley to balance enrolment as it becomes necessary to do so. Balancing</p>

	<p>enrolment allows TVDSB to utilize existing schools efficiently while continuing to provide exceptional learning environments for all students. Attendance area reviews are also critical processes for securing new capital investment from the Ministry of Education as empty pupil places may hinder business cases for new schools and additions.</p> <p>As part of the Accommodation Plan, one new holding zone is being proposed in St. Thomas to accommodate planned new housing development, and no current students would be impacted.</p> <p>As required by the Ministry of Education, Administration has identified schools with available space to accommodate potential facility collaborations with municipal and community partners. A Board resolution is required to formally identify these schools for potential partnerships. These opportunities would then be shared with our partners at the annual community meetings this spring.</p> <p>The Accommodation Plan is informed by a variety of inputs, including development data from municipalities across the district. The data we receive from our partners is critical to ensuring the accuracy of our enrolment projections and we are appreciative of municipal efforts to collaborate on this work.</p> <p>The updated Accommodation Plan is attached in Appendix A.</p>
Financial Implications:	N/A
Timeline:	The Ministry of Education requires that school boards maintain a long term accommodation plan to meet the needs of students.
Communications:	The Accommodation Plan will be published on the TVDSB website and shared with our municipal partners. Trustees' decision regarding the new holding zone will be communicated to the public in accordance with the Holding Zone Procedure (4015d), including notification to all affected school communities and area developers with active applications.
Appendices:	<u>Appendix A: 2024-2025 Accommodation Plan</u>

Connection to Strategic Directions:

We value students' individual educational paths and provide the tools and resources necessary for student achievement including students with special education needs: No

To support student achievement, our schools and workplaces must be safe spaces for all: Yes

Our goal is to become Ontario's leader in education by fostering a culture of innovation and excellence: No

To inform our decision-making, we will build positive, trusting relationships across our district by increasing community engagement that is accessible, accountable, and transparent: Yes

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