



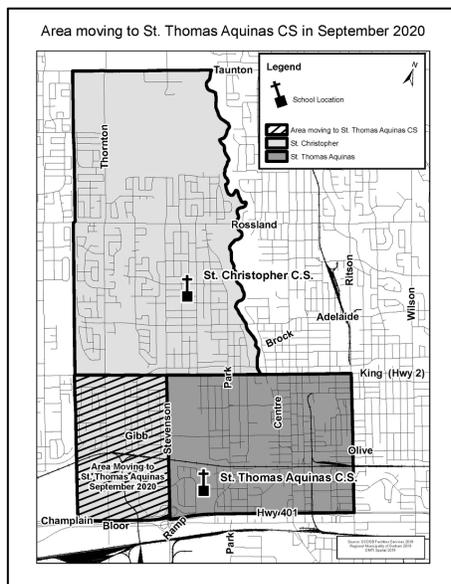
Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This letter is to inform you that at the Regular Board Meeting held on February 25, 2019, the Durham Catholic District School Board of Trustees approved “in principle” boundary changes between St. Christopher Catholic School and St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School for both the Regular Track and French Immersion programs. This Boundary Review is being conducted in accordance with School Boundary PO415.

The boundary change process has been initiated to address overcrowding at St. Christopher Catholic School. The boundary change would direct all students who live in the area south of King Street West, and west of Stevenson Road to attend St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School for both the French Immersion and English programs starting in September 2020.

What will the boundary change look like?



The proposed changes will be phased in with English and French Track students entering Kindergarten to Grade 4 moving to St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School in September 2020.

All students in the area impacted by the boundary change in Grades 5 to 8 will remain at St. Christopher Catholic School until they complete Grade 8.

Families with students in both cohorts (Kindergarten to Grade 4 and Grade 5 to 8) may send their Grade 5 to 8 children to St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School.

Student transportation will be provided to each school in accordance with the Student Transportation Policy PO429.

Public input

The Durham Catholic District School Board is committed to an open and transparent boundary change process that allows for public input through a variety of means. Public open houses have been scheduled on the following dates to present our rationale and recommendations for the changes to the boundary and to offer parents and guardians the opportunity to ask questions and provide input. Dates and locations are listed on the opposite side of this page.



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Public Open House Dates and Locations

Parents and guardians may attend either of the following sessions:

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

St. Christopher Catholic School (Gym)
431 Annapolis Avenue, Oshawa

Thursday, March 28, 2019

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School (Gym)
400 Pacific Avenue, Oshawa

Monday, April 1, 2019

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

St. Christopher Catholic School (Gym)
431 Annapolis Avenue, Oshawa

If you require accessible accommodations to participate in either of these meetings, please contact Lori Jones at 905-576-6150 ext. 22238 or by email at planning@dcdsb.ca in advance of the meeting you plan to attend.

Additional information

A webpage has been established to share information related to the boundary review at www.dcdsb.ca/boundaryreviews. Parents and guardians may also submit feedback through an online form available on the website.

In addition, parents may wish to provide input through a dedicated phone number or e-mail address at 905-576-6150 ext. 42252 and planning@dcdsb.ca.

We look forward to sharing our plans with you at the upcoming open house sessions. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Rosemary Leclair
Superintendent of Education, Oshawa Family of Schools