



# Grand Erie District School Board

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Dear Families,

The Board of Trustees is reviewing accommodation for the future growth of French Immersion program in various areas of the Grand Erie District School Board. Community awareness and consultation will begin in October.

French Immersion considerations currently proposed are as follows:

## City of Brantford

Implement a new dual-track program at Branlyn Community School; Reunite École Fairview SK to Grade 5 students with the Grades 6 to 8 students at the Sky Acres Campus into the newly redeveloped school on the Coronation school site; and establish a second French Immersion secondary program at North Park Collegiate-Vocational School or Pauline Johnson Collegiate & Vocational School.

- **Schools Involved:** École Fairview, École Dufferin, Burford District Elementary, Brier Park Public School, Cedarland Public School, Banbury Heights School and Branlyn Community School

## County of Brant

Accelerate the implementation of French Immersion program at Burford District Elementary School by adding Grades 5 and 6 in September 2016 and complete the implementation with Grades 7 and 8 added in September 2017. Beginning with September 2016, all County of Brant resident French Immersion students would be assigned to the French Immersion program provided in the County of Brant.

Amend the North Ward School and Cobblestone Elementary School boundaries to include the current catchment area of Paris Central Public School and assign French Immersion students from north Brant County to Paris Central Public School to make a single-track French Immersion school effective September 2016.

- **Schools Involved:** Burford District Elementary School, École Fairview, École Dufferin, North Ward School, Cobblestone Elementary School, and Paris Central Public School

If these options are approved, French Immersion students currently enrolled in École Fairview and École Dufferin and who live in the catchment areas of Branlyn Community School, Banbury Heights School, Cedarland Public School and Brier Park Public School, will be assigned to Branlyn Community School.

In addition, students who receive a French Immersion program in Brantford and who live in the County of Brant will be moved to the new French Immersion program offered at Paris Central Public School or Burford District Elementary School.

Please join us for the community consultations held in the City of Brantford and the County of Brant.

<b><u>French Immersion in the City of Brantford</u></b> <b>Meeting Format:</b> Boundary Review <b>Date:</b> Tuesday, October 13, 2015 <b>Time:</b> 7:00 p.m. <b>Location:</b> Joseph Brant Learning Centre, 347 Erie Avenue, Brantford, ON N3S 2H7	<b><u>French Immersion in the County of Brant</u></b> <b>Meeting Format:</b> Accommodation Review <b>Date:</b> Tuesday, November 3, 2015 <b>Time:</b> 7:00 p.m. <b>Location:</b> Paris Central Public School, 7 Broadway Street East, Paris, ON N3L 2R2
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These meetings will include a formal presentation of French Immersion Accommodation information and details about each of the proposed options.

The presentation will be followed by an opportunity for participants to ask questions.

For more information, please visit the French Immersion Accommodation banner scrolling on the homepage at [www.granderie.ca](http://www.granderie.ca).

Sincerely,



Carol Ann Sloat  
Chair of the Board



Jamie Gunn  
Superintendent of Business

Cc: Board of Trustees  
Senior Administration

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