# RIVERSIDE SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDY

Opening Grade Structure, Program, Attendance Boundary, and Other Related Changes



## **Public Consultation**

### **Information Package**

April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 7:00pm

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#### NEW RIVERSIDE SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL

#### **Revised Timeline**

	Activity	Date
No	tice of Intention to Commence Study and Approve Study and Timeline	
۶	Committee of the Whole Meeting	January 2023
۶	Board Approval of Study Consultation Plan and Timeline	January 2023
Со	nsultative Stage	
۶	Formation of the Advisory Group	January 2023
	Information Meeting #1 with Advisory Group (in-person format)	February 2023
≻	Information Meeting #2 with Advisory Group (in-person format)	March 2023
	Public Consultation Meeting (in-person format)	April 2023
Re	commendation and Decision Making Stage	
	Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting – Presentation of Staff Recommendation Report	June 2023
>	Regular Board Meeting – Final Decisions	June 2023
Communication and Implementation Stage		
≻	Communication of Board Approved Decision	June 2023
	Implementation of Board Approved Decision	September 2025



#### **Study Overview**

#### Background

In the fall of 2020, the Board received notice of capital priority funding for the construction of a secondary school in Riverside South. Funding for the construction of a grade seven to twelve, 1516 pupil place secondary school in the Riverside South area was granted from the Ministry of Education based on the September 2019 Capital Priorities submission.

The proposed Riverside South Secondary School is located at 702 Earl Armstrong Road.

#### **Working Group Meetings**

Before the secondary school is opened, a boundary and opening grade structure must be established. Working group meetings with community associations, trustees, and representatives of potentially impacted schools were held over the last few months to garner feedback on the preliminary boundary. The boundary presented at the public meeting was refined through these working group meetings.

#### **Public Consultation Meeting**

The purpose of the public meeting is to seek public comments and feedback on the opening grade structure, program offering, and attendance boundary for the new Riverside South Secondary School. Comments received during, and after the public meeting may result in changes to the proposed boundary and opening grade structure. Once comments are reviewed, a final report will be presented to Board outlining the recommended attendance boundary and opening grade structure.

#### Proposed Boundary

The proposed boundary for the new Riverside South Secondary School is shown on page 5. The preliminary boundary for the new Riverside South Secondary School was structured around:

- Steve MacLean Public School's Attendance Boundary
- Vimy Ridge Public School's Attendance Boundary
- The east side of Farley Mowat Public School's Attendance Boundary

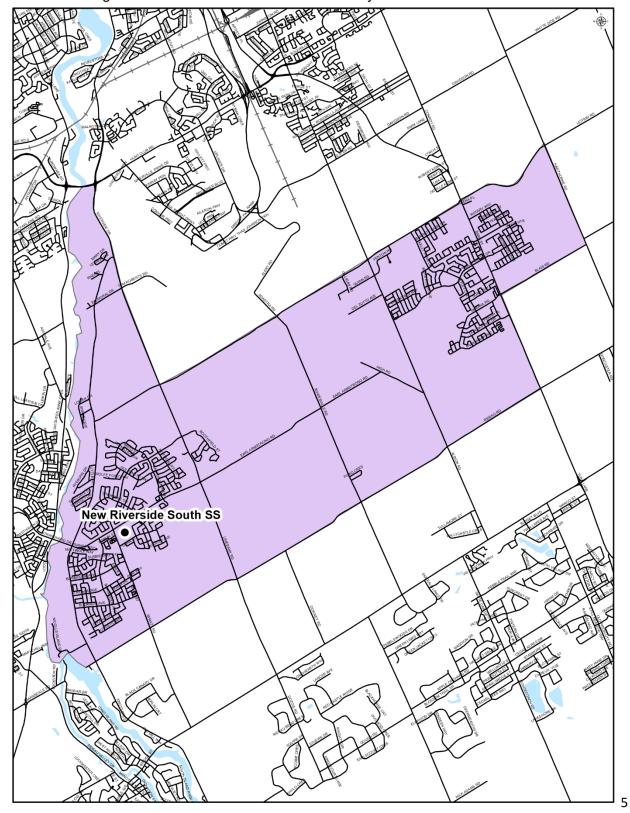
as a basis for the feeding pattern for the new Secondary School. This produced a new secondary school attendance boundary that is heavily founded on the existing elementary feeder school attendance boundaries with the intent to create a community-based secondary school for Riverside South.

The new Riverside South Secondary School is funded as a grade seven to twelve school. This will lead to impacts to both elementary, and secondary schools in the area. As a result of this study, modifications to the existing attendance boundaries of impacted schools will occur.





NEW RIVERSIDE SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL Proposed Attendance Boundary Grade 7 to12 English and Immersion Attendance Boundary





#### **Potential Impacts to Schools**

The proposed boundary will impact five elementary schools. Table 1 describes the proposed changes, and overall impact on each affected elementary school.

SCHOOL	PROPOSED CHANGES	OVERALL IMPACT
Blossom Park PS	<ul> <li>7-8 MFI Redirection to RSSS</li> </ul>	Minimal
Farley Mowat PS	<ul> <li>Adjustment of eastern attendance boundary</li> <li>Eastern JK-6 Redirection to Steve MacLean PS</li> </ul>	Significant
Kars on the Rideau PS	• 7-8 ENG, EFI, MFI Redirection to RSSS	Minimal
Steve MacLean PS	<ul> <li>Adjustment of attendance boundary</li> <li>7-8 ENG and EFI Redirection to RSSS</li> </ul>	Moderate
Vimy Ridge PS	<ul> <li>Adjustment of attendance boundary</li> <li>7-8 ENG and EFI Redirection to RSSS</li> </ul>	Moderate

**Table 1: Potential Impacts to Elementary Schools** 



The proposed boundary will impact six secondary schools. Table 2 describes the proposed changes, and overall impact on each affected secondary school.

SCHOOL	PROPOSED CHANGES	OVERALL IMPACT
Brookfield HS	<ul> <li>Redirect southern portion of attendance boundary to RSSS</li> </ul>	Minimal
Gloucester HS	<ul> <li>Redirect western portion of Gloucester HS/ Osgoode Township HS option area to RSSS</li> </ul>	Minimal
Merivale HS	<ul> <li>Redirect Merivale HS/ South Carleton option area to RSSS</li> </ul>	Significant
Osgoode Township HS	<ul> <li>Redirect western portion of Gloucester HS/ Osgoode Township HS option area to RSSS</li> <li>Expand Osgoode Township HS and South Carleton HS option area</li> </ul>	Minimal
Ridgemont HS	<ul> <li>Redirect southern portion of attendance boundary to RSSS</li> </ul>	Moderate
South Carleton HS	<ul> <li>Redirect Merivale HS/ South Carleton option area to RSSS</li> <li>Expand Osgoode Township HS and South Carleton HS option area</li> </ul>	Moderate

 Table 2: Potential Impacts to Secondary Schools



#### Next Steps

Public feedback on the proposed attendance boundary and opening grade structure for the new Riverside South Secondary School will assist Planning Staff to present a report to Board. Specifically, Planning Staff is interested in public feedback on:

- Pros and Cons of the Preliminary Attendance Boundary of the new Secondary School
- Pros and Cons of the Boundary Adjustments to the Potentially Impacted Schools
- Modifications to the 4-6 MFI Program Attendance (for Blossom Park Public School and Kars on the Rideau Public School)
- How students (and their younger siblings) should be grand-parented into the new Secondary School

Should you wish to provide feedback on the proposed consultation plan at a later time, please send comments to the Planning Department at:

#### Email: <u>newriversidesouthss.study@ocdsb.ca</u>

Mail: OCDSB, Planning Department, 133 Greenbank Road, Ottawa, ON, K28 6L3

PLEASE NOTE: WEDNESDAY MAY 10 2023 IS THE LAST DAY TO SUBMIT COMMENTS



Should you have any comments about the proposed Riverside South Secondary School Boundary and Opening Grade Structure, please write them on the following lines:

Please give your comments to the Planning Staff once completed. Thank you.