







NEW FINDLAY CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Public Consultation Meeting to Set Attendance Boundary, Opening Grade Structure, & Program Offering

November 29th, 2023

Land Acknowledgement



Overview of Consultation Meeting

Staff Presentation

Public Question & Comment Period

• Informal Discussion Period with Staff



Introduction

- In April 2022, Board received funding for the new school, located at 820 Miikana Road;
- Scheduled opening is September 2024;
- Staff are to determine attendance boundary, opening grade structure, and program offering for new school;
- Revised attendance boundary for Vimy Ridge PS also to be determined;
- Decision to be made for those students accommodated at Robert Bateman PS and Roberta Bondar PS in the interim.

Current and Future Schools

- Vimy Ridge PS 985 students enrolled for the start of the 2023 school year, requiring the use of 21 portables; 674 student capacity;
- Interim accommodation measures currently in place;
- New Riverside South Secondary School to open in September 2025 offering Grade 7 to 12.

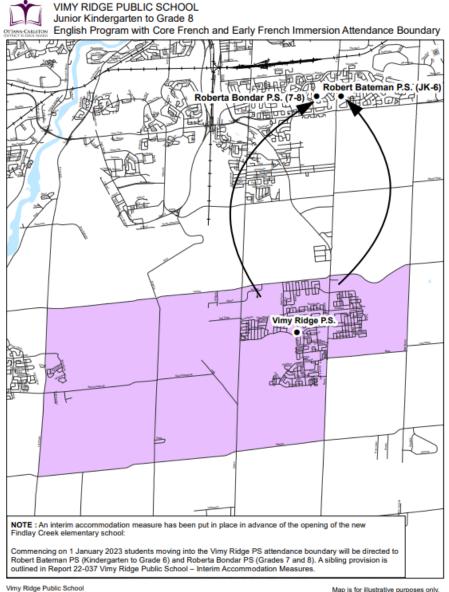


Working Group

- As per approved consultation plan, a working group was formed.
- The group was comprised of council representatives and Principals from potentially impacted schools, Board staff.
- Working group provided localized input and advice to staff with regard to proposed options, community alignments, parental and family preferences as they relate to student movement.



Attendance Boundary – Vimy Ridge PS





New Findlay Creek ES - Proposal

- Under the proposal, the New Findlay Creek ES would offer Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 English with Core French and Early French Immersion programs.
- Attendance boundary would include a portion of that of Vimy Ridge PS' current attendance boundary area.
- Students will feed to the New Riverside South Secondary School for Grades 7 to 12.



Proposed Attendance Boundary – New Findlay Creek ES



New Findlay Creek Elementary School Proposed Attendance Boundary

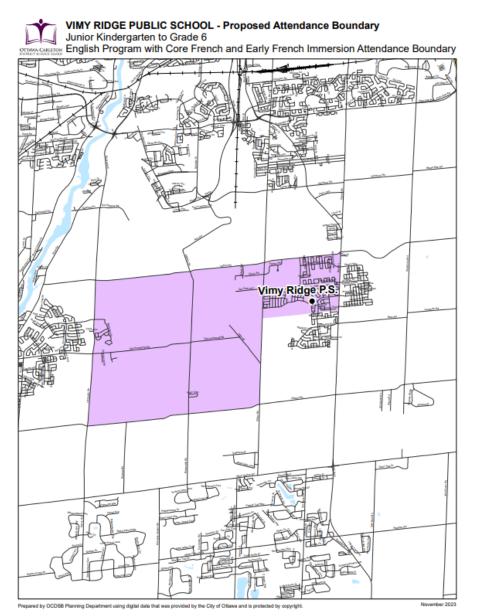
Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6

OTTAWA-CARLETON English Program with Core French and Early French Immersion Attendance Boundary





Proposed Attendance Boundary – Vimy Ridge PS (JK to Grade 6)

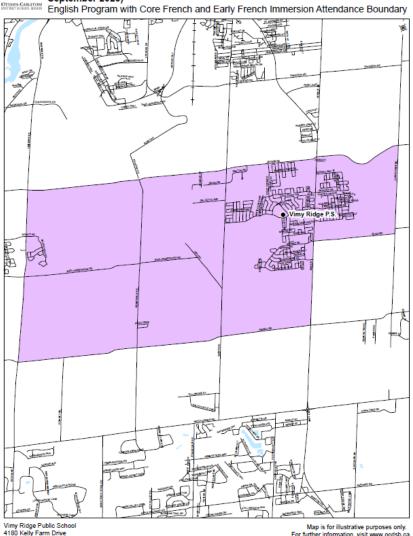




Proposed Attendance Boundary – Vimy Ridge PS Grade 7 to 8 (September 2024 only)



VIMY RIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL Grade 7 and 8 (September 2024 only - redirected to New Riverside South SS in September 2025)





Opening Grade Structure

• Junior Kindergarten to Grade 5 – Allows current Grade 5 students to complete Grade 6 at their current school and avoid three schools in three years. All other students redirected in block move. Grade 6 students possibility separated from younger siblings.

• Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 – Allows all students to block move together while keeping cohort of JK to Grade 6 siblings together. Some students will experience three schools in three years.



Interim Accommodation Measures

- Block move of these students back to their home schools and into their community.
- Allow Grade 8's in September 2024 (Current Grade 7s) to remain at Roberta Bondar PS, or choose to attend Vimy Ridge PS.



Timeline and Next Steps

- Feedback is welcome tonight and throughout the process. We would appreciate receiving comments by Wednesday December 13th. Note that all correspondence received by staff will be shared with Trustees.
- Input received will be reviewed and will inform staff's recommendation report which will be presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting on January 16th 2024 final decisions by Board are scheduled for January 30th 2024.
- The Committee of the Whole meeting will include delegations from the public and Trustee debate regarding staff's recommendations.



Thank you for your participation this evening!

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