

Space for Our Students

Making room for students in growing neighbourhoods

Over the last few years, many of our schools in newer neighbourhoods have become very full because these areas of the city are growing so quickly. Since 2005, 46 new neighbourhoods are being served by Edmonton Public Schools. As of today, 11,000 students who attend Edmonton Public Schools live in these newer areas. Many of our schools in these areas are at or beyond their capacity to accept students.

We've developed a plan to make sure all students in newer neighbourhoods are learning in great classrooms led by outstanding teachers. We call this plan the *District Accommodation Plan for New and Developing Neighbourhoods*. Our purpose of the plan is to look at which schools are full or almost full and offer some options to solve the problem.

Your voice is important to us! On December 2, we're launching *Space for Our Students* on the epsb.ca website. This part of the website will include background information; the schools and neighbourhoods being looked at in the plan; and a list of options we're thinking about. You'll also find a link to a survey where you can find the school or area where you live and give your input and feedback on the options we've developed. The survey will be open until January 17, 2014.

In January 2014, we'll be holding public consultation meetings across the city. The dates and locations for these meetings are as follows:

- › **WEST** – **Tuesday, January 7** at Jasper Place, 8950 – 163 Street
- › **NORTH** – **Wednesday, January 8** at M.E. LaZerte, 6804 – 144 Avenue
- › **SOUTHEAST** – **Monday, January 13** (Michael Strembitsky and Ellerslie) at J. Percy Page, 2707 Mill Woods Road
- › **SOUTHEAST** – **Tuesday, January 14** (A. Blair McPherson and Bisset) at A. Blair McPherson, 430 Tamarack Green
- › **SOUTHWEST** – **Thursday, January 16** at Lillian Osborne, 2019 Leger Road

Edmonton Public Schools' Board of Trustees and its Superintendent value your input and feedback. We're looking forward to working with you as we consider the options to make sure students in newer areas of the city are all enjoying high quality learning environments.

For more information, call us at 780-429-8000
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