



# **Swift Current Academy**

## Zone 11 School Systems Review

November 25, 2017

# School Reviews

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## Western Region

- ▶ James Cook Memorial School
- ▶ Appalachia High School System
- ▶ St. James High School System
- ▶ H.L. Strong Academy

## Central Region

- ▶ Point Leamington Academy School System
- ▶ Swift Current Academy



# School Review Policy

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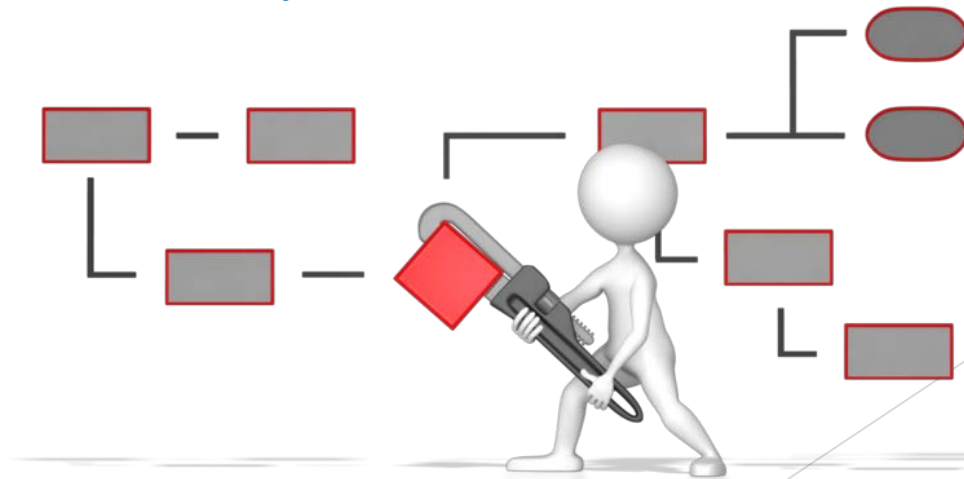
- ▶ The Board of Trustees (“Board”) for the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District (“District”) is mandated to organize and administer primary, elementary and secondary education in the District.
- ▶ In doing so the Board strives to make the best use of school infrastructure, financial and human resources for all of the students in the Province. Through its capital priorities planning process, the Board may initiate a school review, in order to maximize resources in a particular area and to assess the sustainability of a school facility and its educational programming.



# School Review Process and Timelines

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- ▶ Phase 1 Consultation – Complete
- ▶ Potential Board decision/first board decision Today
- ▶ Phase 2 Consultation – December-January
- ▶ Potential Second Board decision – February 3, 2018



# School Review Options to Consider

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Options to be considered by the Board are:

- ▶ **Maintain** status quo
- ▶ **Close** Swift Current Academy





Swift Current Academy



Tricentia Academy



Run: TRIEX AM

Description: Swift Current to Arnolds Cove via North Harbour

Stops: 6

Start Time: 7:39 AM

End Time: 8:30 AM (51 min)

Schools: Tricentia Academy (924)

#	Time	Description(Crossing)
1	7:39 AM	HIGHWAY 210
2	7:41 AM	
3	7:43 AM	HIGHWAY 210 (C)
4	7:45 AM	HIGHWAY 210
5	7:55 AM	
6	8:30 AM	Tricentia Academy Driveway



Run: TRIEX PM

Description: Arnolds Cove to Swift Current via North Harbour

Stops: 6

Start Time: 3:00 PM

End Time: 3:52 PM (52 min)

Schools: Tricentia Academy (924)

#	Time	Description(Crossing)
1	3:00 PM	Tricentia Academy Driveway (C)
2	3:35 PM	
3	3:46 PM	HIGHWAY 210 (C)
4	3:48 PM	HIGHWAY 210
5	3:50 PM	(C)
6	3:52 PM	HIGHWAY 210 (C)



# 1. Student Enrollment

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*Swift Current Academy* is projected to have between 19 and 25 students from now until 2026.

*Tricentia Academy* is projected to have between 175 and 222 students from now until 2026.

Swift Current Academy students can be accommodated at Tricentia Academy with a maximum enrolment of 228 in 2017, decreasing to a low of 197 by 2026





## 2. Programs and Services

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### Learning opportunities for students

If students are bussed to Tricentia Academy, they will have access to:

- ✓ wider course offerings
- ✓ more specialist teaching
- ✓ more integration with age-level peers

## 3. Facility

- ▶ No facility issues or concerns were identified.
- ▶ No capital projects or repairs are required.
- ▶ There are no health/environmental concerns.
- ▶ All required infrastructure for programming is available.
- ▶ Tricentia Academy has capacity to accommodate students from Swift Current Academy.



## 4. Transportation

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- ▶ Consolidation results in no change in number of required buses
- ▶ 19 students next year + 2 Black River students currently attending Tricentia Academy
- ▶ Current contract is 48 passenger bus (2020)
- ▶ Distance from furthest house to Tricentia 49 kms. Maximum ride time is approximately 50 minutes
- ▶ Estimated cost increase: \$20 000 - \$30 000 to extend exiting SCA routes to travel to Tricentia Academy

Bus stops can be adjusted to reflect where students live



# 5. Financial Considerations

## Consolidation results in potential savings of:

- ✓ \$160,000 in operating costs
- ✓ 2 to 3 teaching units
- ✓ 0.5 admin unit
- ✓ Increase of \$20,000 to \$30,000 per year to extend bus routes

Total potential savings of \$480,000 per year

### Newfoundland & Labrador English School District Breakdown of operating expenses

	Swift Current Academy
Salaries and benefits:	
Support Staff	88,000
Utilities:	
Phone	9,700
Electricity	7,200
Fuel	12,700
Janitorial products	1,700
Snow removal	27,400
Municipal fees	900
Garbage collection	7,200
Repairs and maintenance	5,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>160,000</b>



# Feedback Summary

## Date Survey Concluded:

November 9, 2017

Total Responses: 12

Feedback School	Total	Voted 'Yes'	Voted 'No'	Undetermined
Swift Current Academy	9	0	9	-
Tricentia Academy	1	1	0	-
No school identified	2	0	2	-



# Feedback Themes

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- ▶ Travel distances and road conditions
- ▶ Allow Swift Current Academy to remain open as a K-6
- ▶ Inevitable that Swift Current Academy will close
- ▶ Swift Current Academy has been reviewed numerous times



# Notice of Motion

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**To be voted on February 3, 2018**

**WHEREAS** the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District is committed to providing the best possible educational programs for students; and,

**WHEREAS** school closure is required to achieve that objective;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that:

Swift Current Academy will close effective June 2018 and students will be rezoned to attend Tricentia Academy effective September 2018.



**Thank You**

