

April 6, 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I would like to provide you with some information pertaining to the review of the Prince of Wales Collegiate school system. A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District occurred on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 where trustees passed motions regarding the system.

The motions passed will result in the following changes for the 2017-2018 school year:

- The new school in Portugal Cove - St. Philip's be a grades 5 to 9 school being fed by Beachy Cove Elementary which is to be reconfigured as grades Kindergarten to Grade 4 school.
- Larkhall Academy and St. Andrews' Elementary will be reconfigured as grades Kindergarten to Grade 5 schools, with both schools feeding into Leary's Brook Junior High.
- Leary's Brook Junior High will be reconfigured to a grades 6 to 9 school.
- A portion of the Larkhall Academy school attendance zone located in the Old Pennywell Road area will be rezoned to attend St. Andrew's Elementary.

This was Scenario B in the District information package, which was distributed to the school communities during the consultation process and is available here:

<https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/schoolreview/2017/systempwc.jsp>. As some students of Larkhall Academy who live in the Old Pennywell Road area will be attending St. Andrew's Elementary next year, families are advised to review this material and the attendance zones. If you have questions about this, you should contact your school administration.

In the coming days transitions teams will be established consisting of the school administrations and District staff, and include consultation with and input from the school councils. Information on the opening of the new school, as well as relevant information about the reconfigurations, attendance zones and busing information for the coming school year will be provided to the school communities in the coming weeks.

The Newfoundland and Labrador English School District would like to thank members of the school communities, including the school council members, for their input during this process.

Should you have any questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 758-2701 or anthonystack@nlesd.ca.

Sincerely,



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