

North Burlington Elementary Boundary Review Frequently Asked Questions

1. Which areas will be affected with this Boundary Review?

This boundary review is focused on elementary students in the Evergreen Community located north of Dundas Street between Appleby Line and Tremaine Road as well as two developments located within the Alton Village Public School boundary located at 4853 Thomas Alton Blvd. and 4880 Valera Road.

With the need for a boundary review for elementary students in the Evergreen community, it was also determined that the new developments in Alton Village be included to partially address enrolment pressure at Alton Village PS prior to the sale/construction of these new units in the catchment.

This review will only affect elementary students that will move into these subdivisions. Catchments outside of these areas are not expected to change with this boundary review.

2. Why is there a need for a Boundary Review in North Burlington?

For the developments at 4853 Thomas Alton Blvd. and 4880 Valera Road

Based on the current boundary, elementary students in the regular program are currently directed to Alton Village PS and students in French Immersion are currently directed to Orchard Park PS. At this time Alton Village Public School is over total capacity. To exceed total capacity at a school indicates there more students at the school then pupil places available within the school building and that can be accommodation through the maximum allotment of portables on site. Therefore, Alton Village Public School cannot accommodate students from the developments on Thomas Alton Blvd. or Valera Road. As a result the Board approved the initiation of this Boundary Review.

For the Evergreen Community development

The Halton District School Board undertook a [Program and Accommodation Review](#) (PAR) of Burlington Secondary Schools. This PAR addressed the secondary school locations for the Evergreen Community, directing secondary students to M.M. Robinson High School. Elementary students have not yet be designated elementary school(s). Therefore, a review of elementary schools is warranted to provide school designation(s) for elementary students. As a result the Board approved the initiation of this Boundary Review.

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3. Where are the students currently attending school?

At this time there are no students residing in any of the three areas.

4. What is the process for this review?

The Halton District School Board's Boundary Review [Administration Procedure](#) (updated September 2016), provides staff with [two consultation process pathways](#).

[Pathway 2](#) is to inform the community. Pathway 2 exists for unique circumstances, as is the case for these areas. Since there are no current students that reside in these areas, community representatives are not available at this time. This would qualify as a unique circumstance, therefore the Board will follow Pathway 2.

Pathway 2 allows for the opportunity to delegate the Board of Trustees regarding the recommended option.

5. What is the timeline for this review?

September 19, 2018	Board Approves Boundary Review
November/December, 2018	Boundary Review Steering Committee Meetings
January 7, 2019 (noon)	Deadline to request to delegate to the Board on Jan. 9
January 9, 2019	Director's Recommendation to the Board for Information
January 21, 2019 (noon)	Deadline to request to delegate to the Board on Jan. 23
January 23, 2019	Director's Recommendation to the Board for Decision

6. What schools are under review?

Schools under review at this time are:

- Alexander's PS
- Alton Village PS
- Charles R. Beaudoin PS
- Florence Meares PS
- John William Boich PS
- Orchard Park PS

It is not the intent of this boundary review to remove students that currently reside in the catchment of their assigned school and attend their home school. It is the intent to redirect students living in these new developments to elementary schools without accommodation pressures.

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7. I have purchased a new house in the Thomas Alton or Valera Road development areas and was expecting to attend Alton Village PS for regular program or Orchard Park PS for French Immersion. I would prefer my children attend one of these schools. Is this possible?

All prospective buyers should be aware that attendance at the current schools assigned to this area is not guaranteed by way of:

- Under Warning Clauses in Purchase and Sale Agreements,
- Site signage, and
- Notification sent to the sales office from the Halton District School Board on June 23, 2016.

A parent may apply for optional attendance, if the boundaries are changed by Board. For more information regarding optional attendance, please refer the the HDSB website www.hdsb.ca.

8. How far are the schools involved in this review from the new subdivision?

Distances from the subdivision sales centre to each elementary school involved in this review are indicated in [Distances to School](#).

Halton Student Transportation Services (HSTS) has confirmed that the areas in question would be eligible for transportation to any elementary where students would be required to cross Dundas Street.

9. How do I delegate the Board of Trustees?

For more information regarding delegations, please visit [Delegating the Board](#).

10. I have questions regarding this boundary review, where do I submit it?

Please submit all questions to plan@hdsb.ca.
