



Halton
District
School
Board

Southwest Burlington Boundary Review

BRC Meeting #6 - April 1, 2026

6:30-9:00 pm





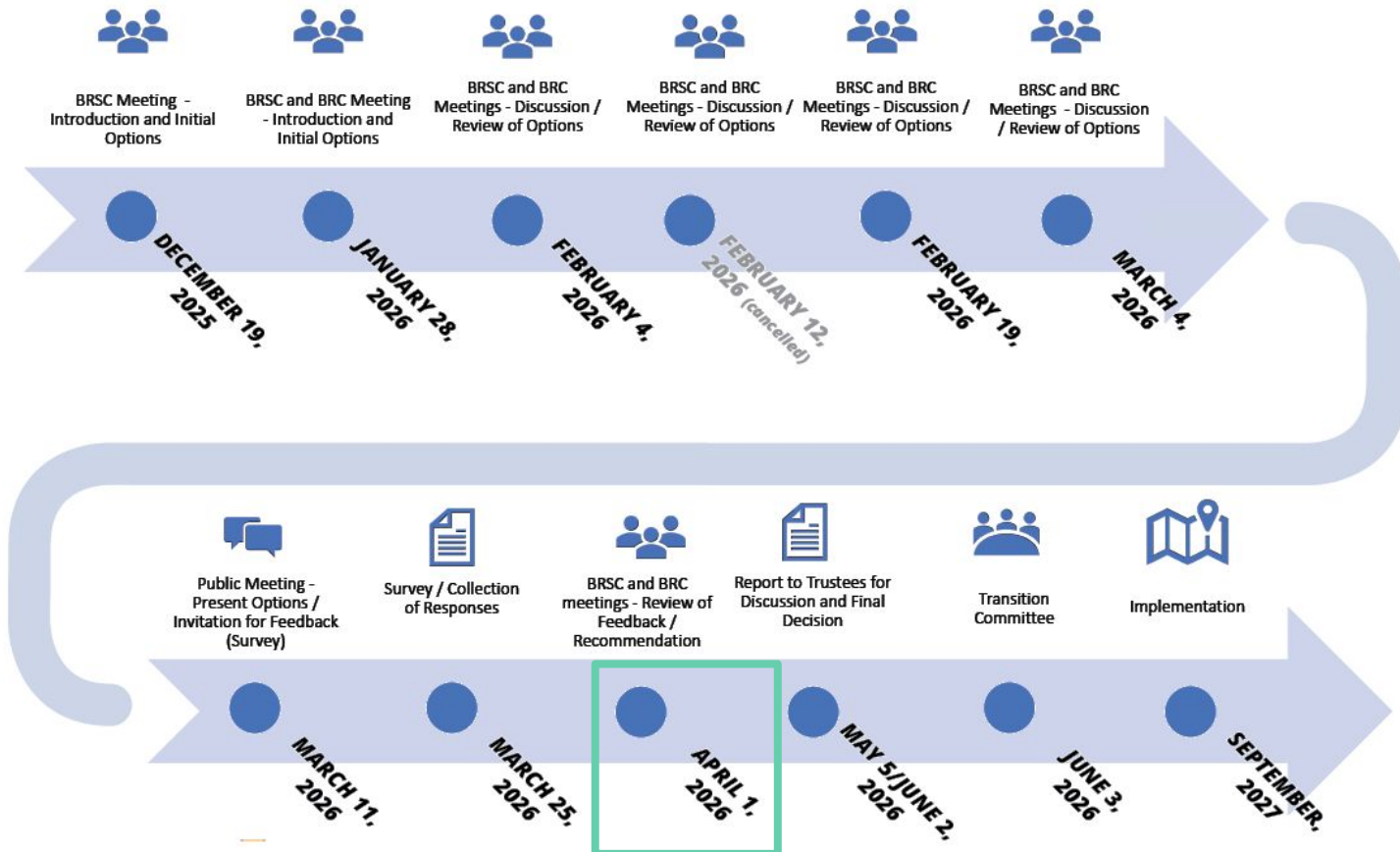
Honouring the Land and Territory



We begin by acknowledging the land and our responsibility to care for and respect all that provides us with life. This land upon which HDSB is situated is on the ancestral, treaty and title lands of the Anishinaabek Ojibwe Michizaagiig Nation, now known as the Mississaugas of the Credit. Michizaagiig territory in the past and present continues to host both Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.

The HDSB is committed to continuous knowledge building with respect to actions that address and resolve the ongoing impacts of colonialism. We do this by learning and understanding the true history, treaty obligations, duties and responsibilities and Indigenous Rights while actively maintaining mutually beneficial relationships and collectively respecting and caring for the land.

Boundary Review Process Milestones



Agenda

PART 1: Review of Options

PART 2: Review Feedback

- Discuss Public Meeting and Review Feedback
- Identify Final Option(s) to present to the BRSC

PART 3: Implementation and Secondary Discussion

- Legacy Exemptions
- Secondary Recommendations

PART 4: Next Steps



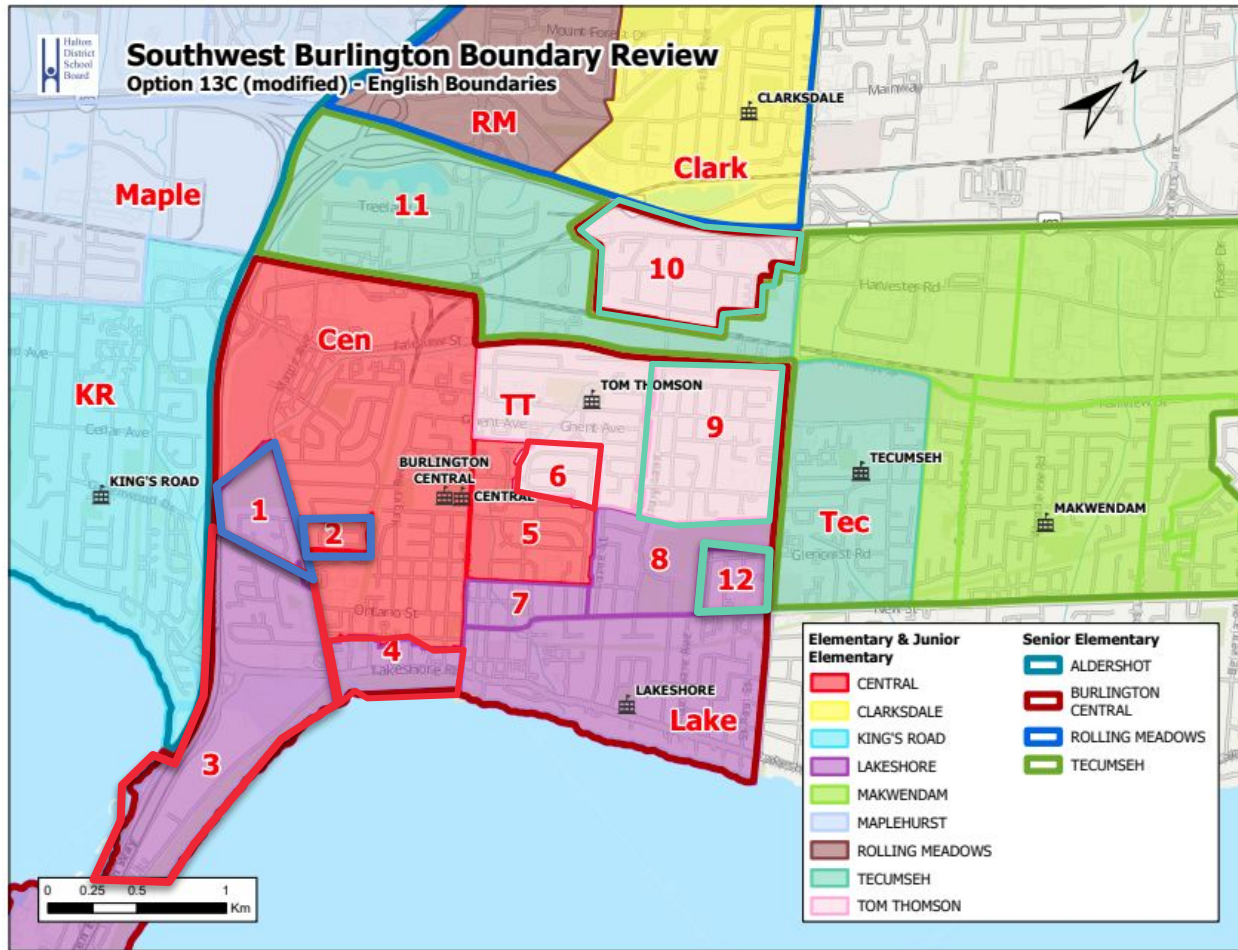
PART 1

Option Recap

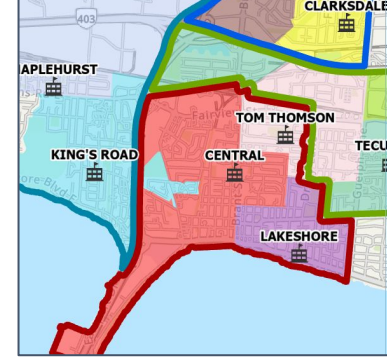


Modified OPTION 13c - Central / Burlington Central Elem FI Schools

OPT 13c - ENG Boundary (m)



CURRENT BOUNDARIES



PROGRAM DELIVERY:

- Tom Thomson PS - Single Track ENG

ZONE CHANGES:

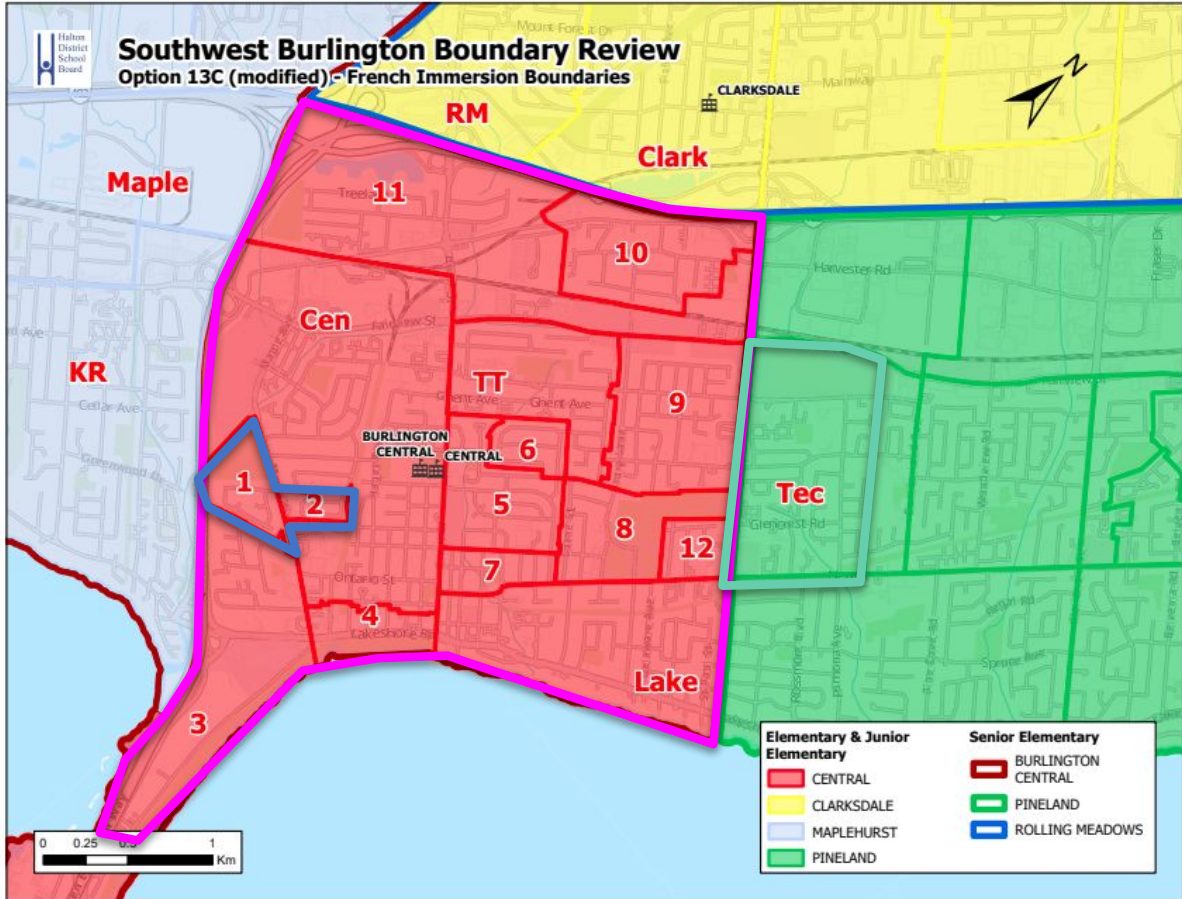
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- Area 2: King to Central PS
- Area 3: Cen to Lakeshore PS
- Area 4: Cen (South of Elgin) to Lakeshore PS
- Area 6: Northeast of Courtland Ave to Tom Thomson
- Area 12: Tec to Lakeshore PS / Burlington Central

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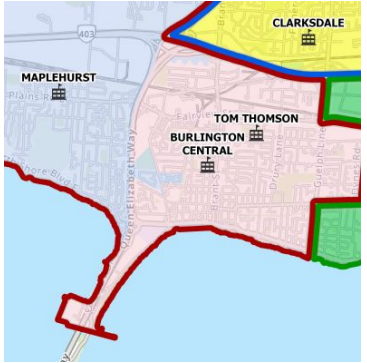
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OPT 13c - FI Boundary (m)

Central / Burlington Central FI



CURRENT BOUNDARIES



PROGRAM DELIVERY:

- Central PS dual track school (2-6)
- Burlington Central dual track school (7 & 8)

ZONE CHANGES:

- Area 1 & 2: MAP to Central PS
- Area Tec, & 11: Tom T. & Bur Cen to Pineland

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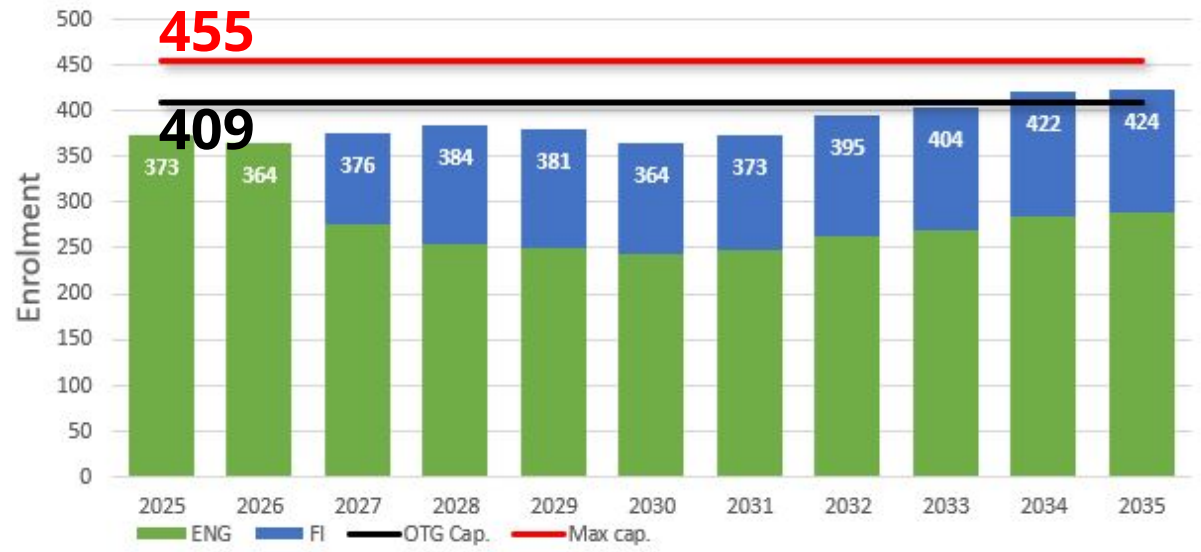
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Option 13c - Projections (m)

Central PS:

- **New** - School offers K-6 English, FI
- Directed to **Burlington Central Elem** for 7 & 8 ENG, FI.
- **New** - Catchment expands to include Areas 2 (west of Maple Trail) from **King's Road PS**.
- **New** - Areas 3 and south 4 directed to **Lakeshore PS**
- **New** - Area 6 (NE) directed to **Tom Thomson PS**

Central PS



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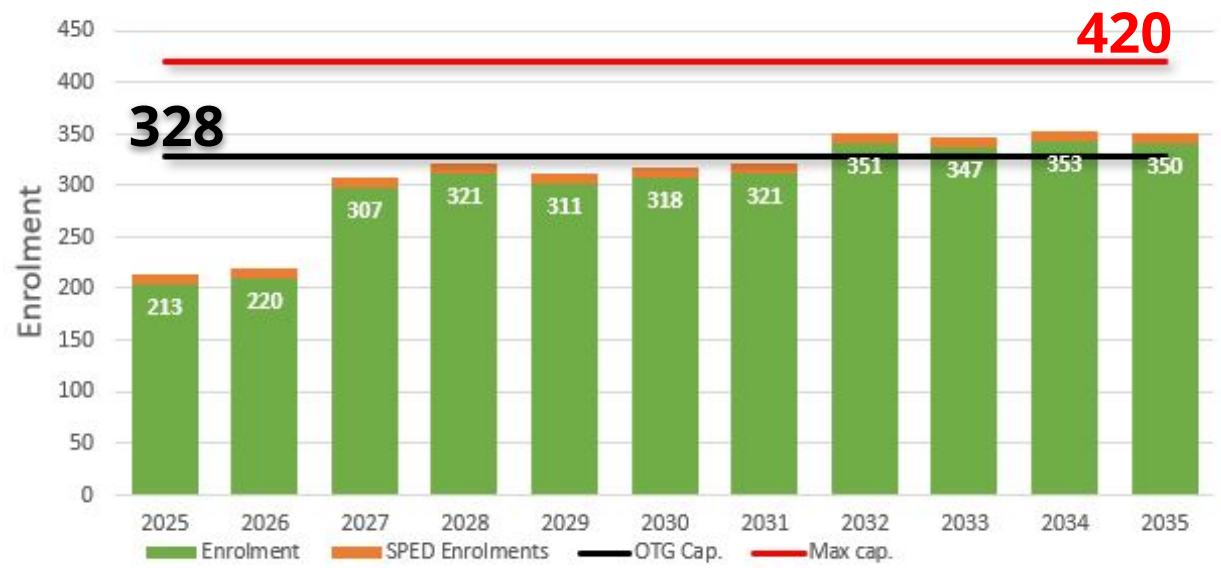
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Option 13c - Projections (m)

Lakeshore PS summary:

- School offers **K-6 English**, and **SPED** programs.
- Directed to **Burlington Central Elem** for **7 & 8 ENG**.
- **New** - Directed to **Central PS** for FI 2-6.
- Portables not requires
- **New** - Catchment expanded to include areas 1, 3, 4 (south), 12 from **King's Road PS**, **Central PS Tecumseh PS**

Lakeshore PS



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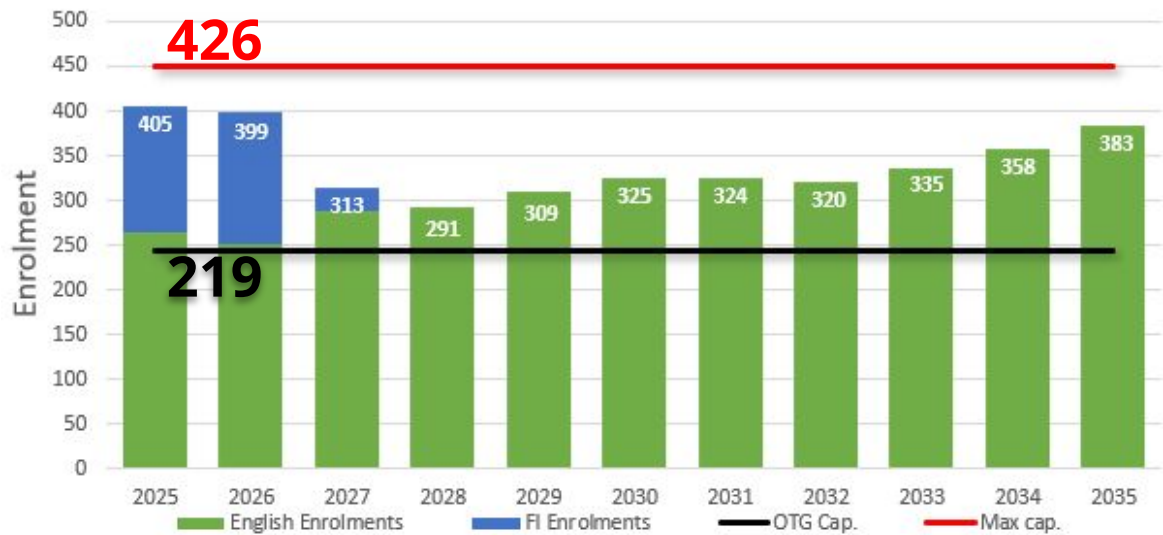
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Option 13c - Projections (m)

Tom Thomson PS summary:

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Tom Thomson PS



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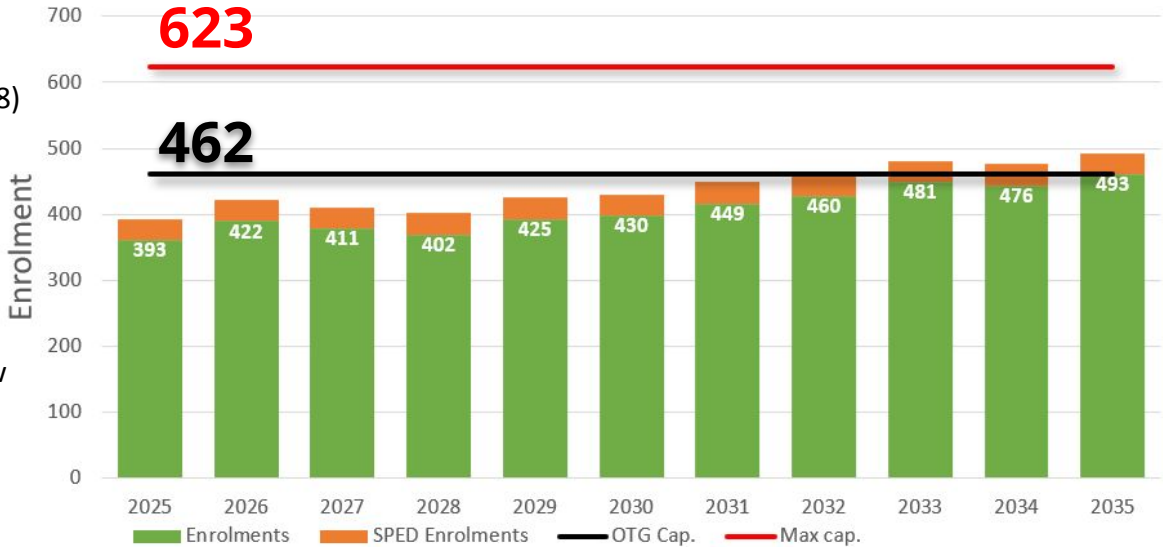
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Option 13c - Projections (m)

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- Portables are required by 2032.

Tecumseh PS



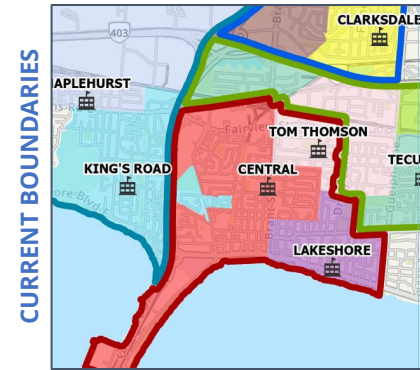
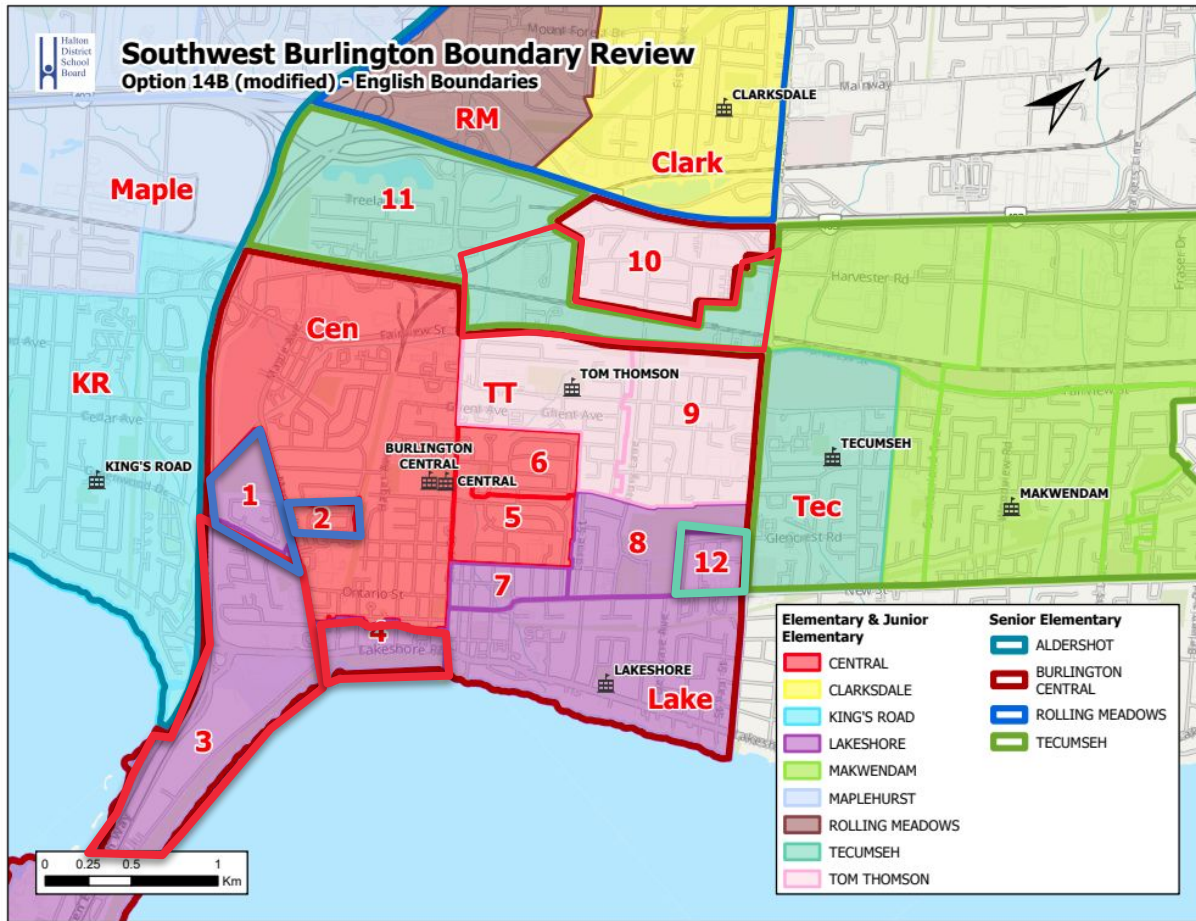
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Modified OPTION 14b - Tom Thomson / Burlington Central Elem FI Schools

OPT 14b - ENG Boundary (m)



PROGRAM DELIVERY:

- Tom Thomson PS - Dual Track ENG, FI

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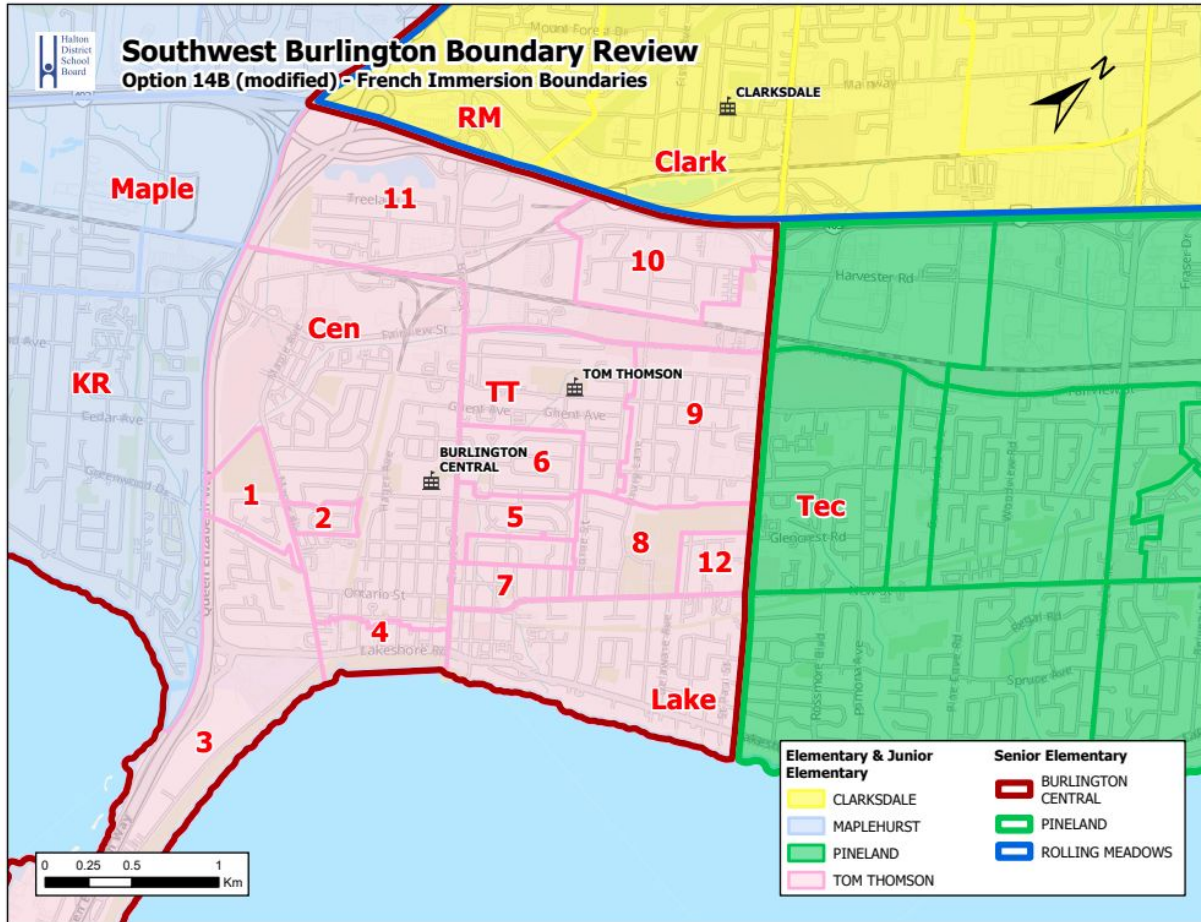
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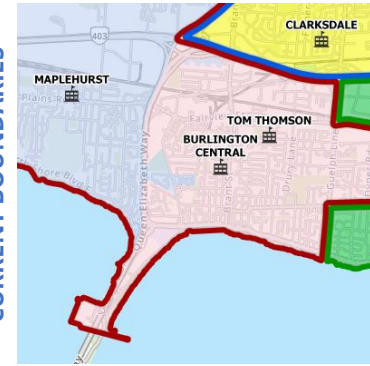
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OPT 14b - FI Boundary(m)

Tom Thomson / Burlington Central FI



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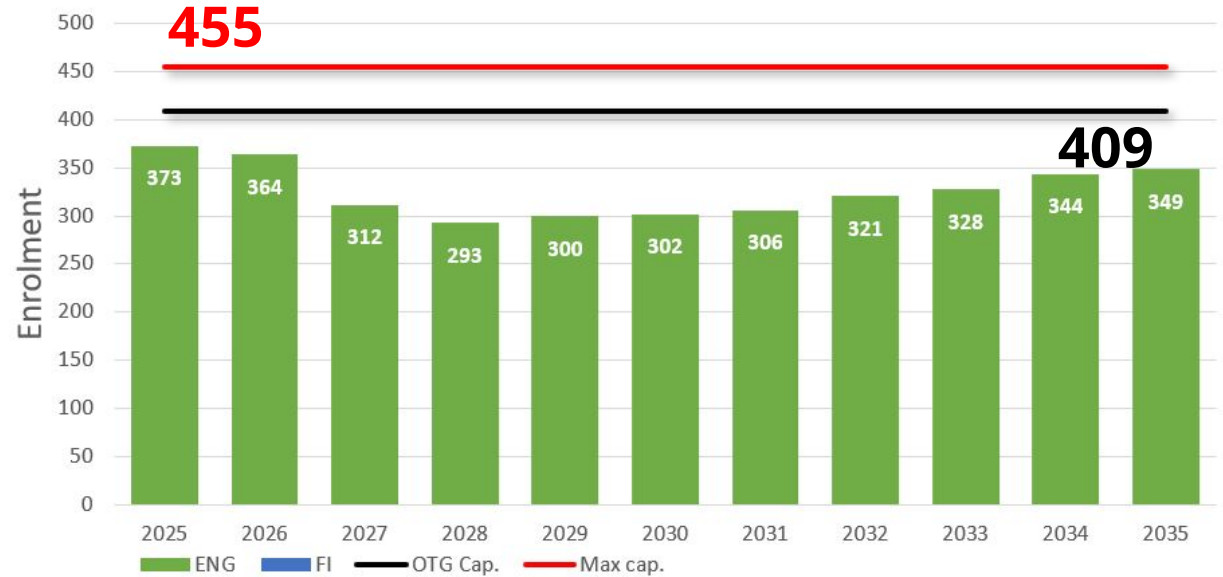
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Central PS



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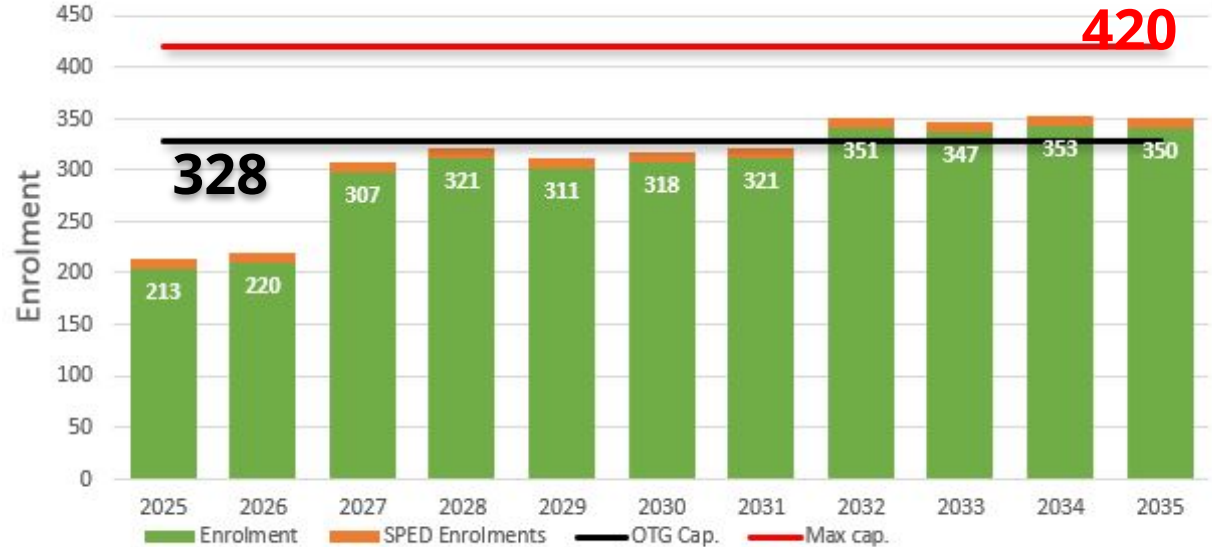
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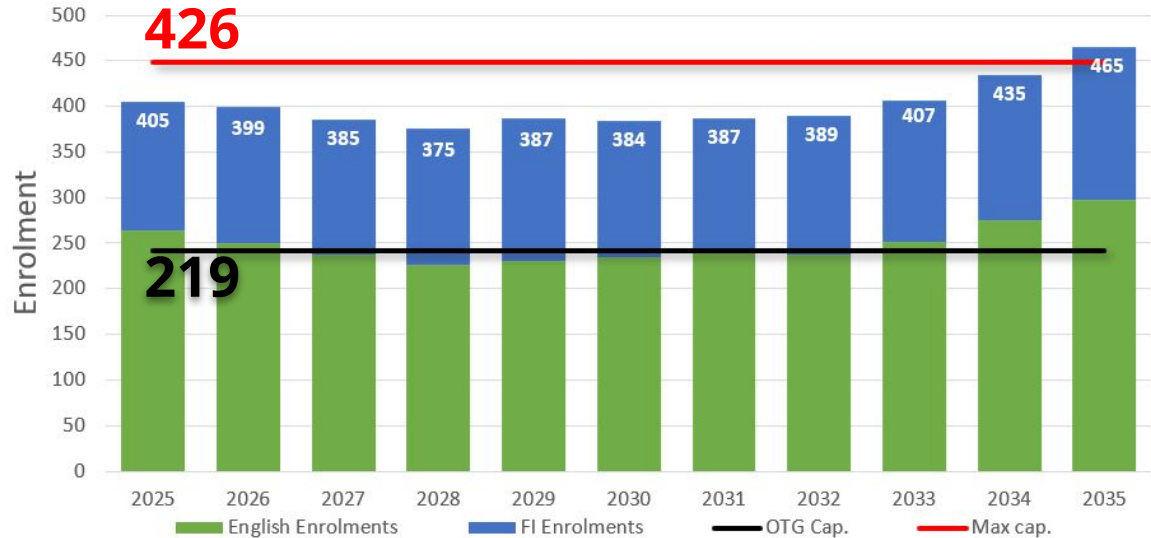
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Tom Thomson PS



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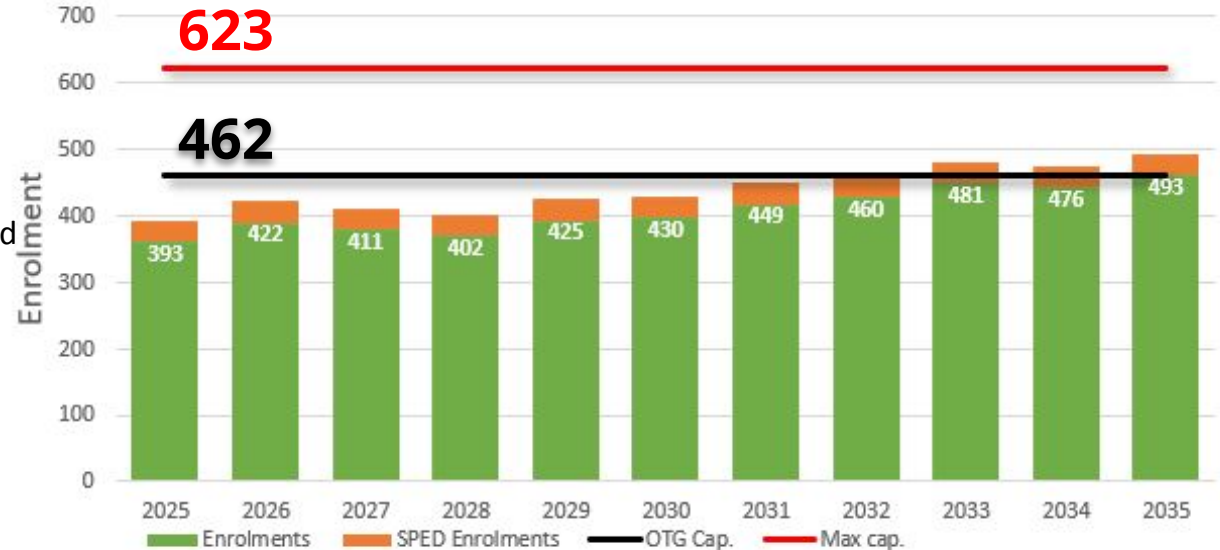
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Tecumseh PS



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PART 2

Public Meeting and Feedback

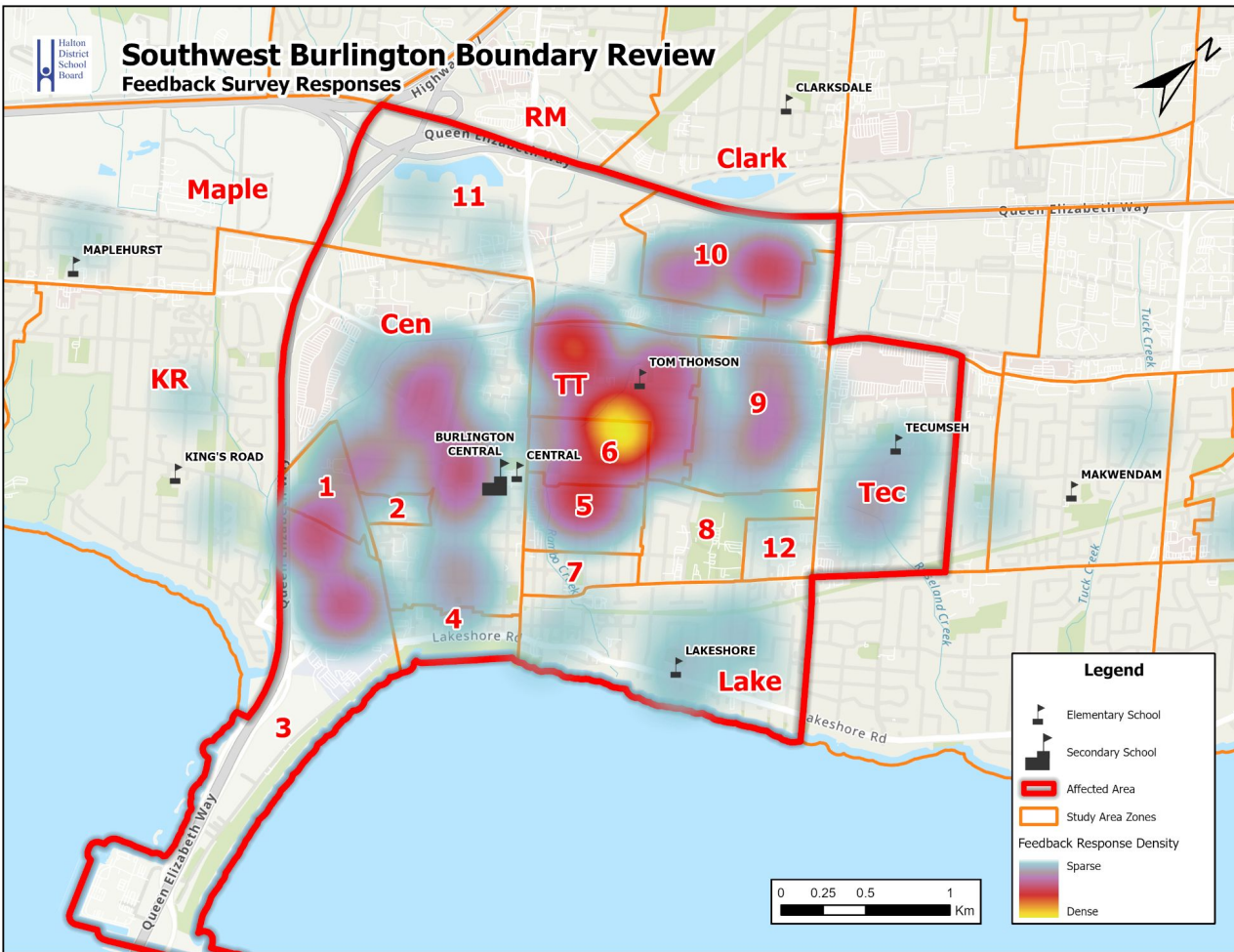


The public meeting was held on Mar 11, 2026 at 7pm. The meeting was hosted at Burlington Central HS. During the approximately 2 hour open house there was a ½ hour presentation (available online) and staff at 6 stations, it was attended by approximately 90 people.

Feedback Survey

- Communication via School Messenger was sent to impacted school communities on March 6 and March 10, 2026
- A feedback portal was made available which closed @12pm on Mar. 25, 2026. A total of **196 individual responses** were received. Note that a number of responses indicated multiple children registered at different schools.

Feedback Responses by Zone



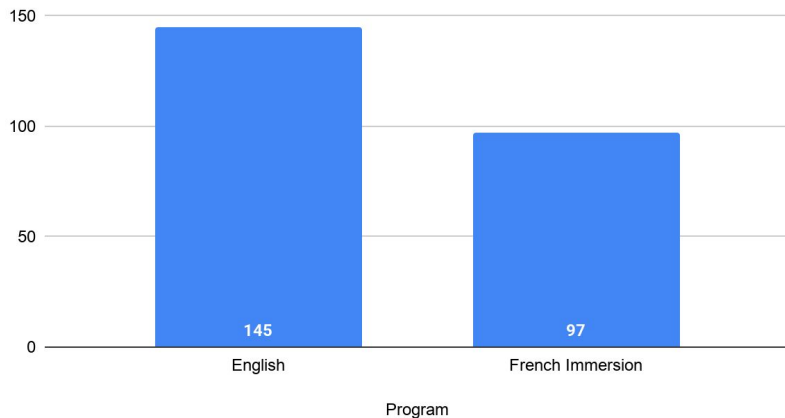
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Cen -	38
Zone 6 -	21
Zone 10 -	19
Zone 3 -	17
Zone 9 -	15
Zone 5 -	13
Lake -	8
Tec -	7
Zone 1 -	3
Zone 11 -	3
KR -	2
Zone 4 -	1
Zone 12 -	1
Maple -	1
Other -	8

TOTAL - 196

Summary of Feedback

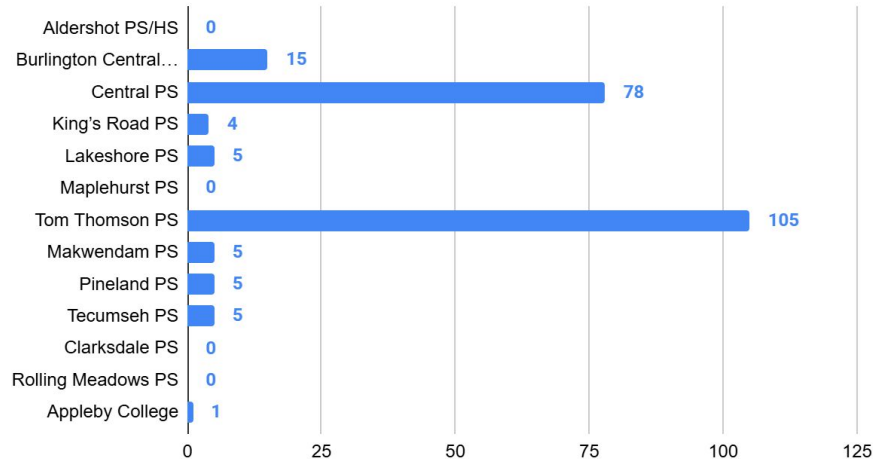


Which school Program do your child(ren) attend?



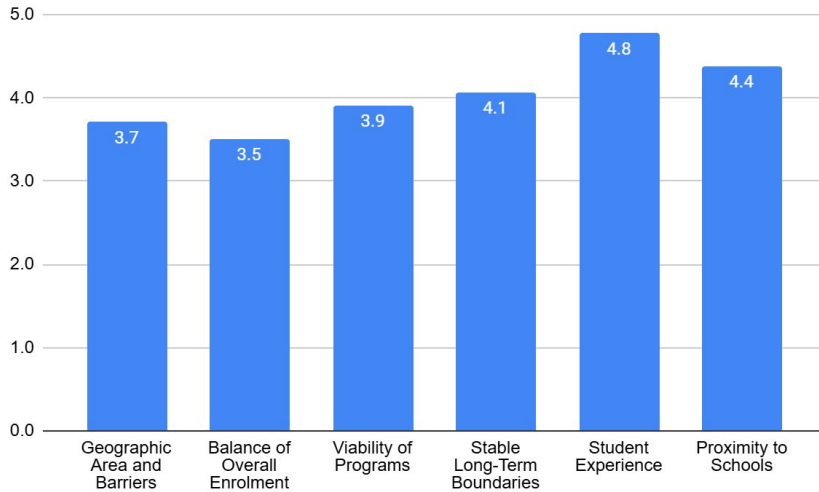
- 145 **English** responses.
- 97 **French Immersion** responses.

Which school(s) do your child(ren) attend?

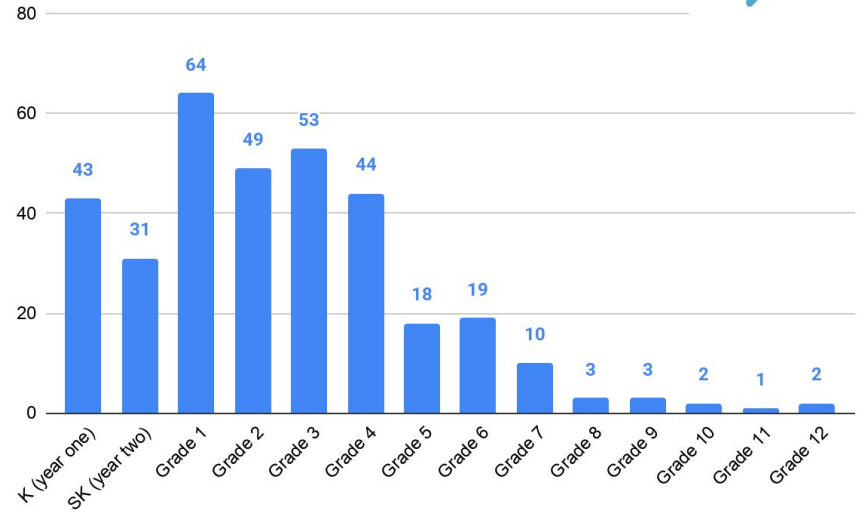


- Top 3 schools with largest number of responses:
 - #1: **Tom Thomson PS** (105)
 - #2: **Central PS** (78)
 - #3: **Burlington Central PS/HS** (15)

Summary of Feedback



1. **Student Experience (4.8)**
2. **Proximity to Schools (4.4)**
3. **Stable Long-Term Boundaries (4.1)**



A large number of responses are from families with **grades 1-4** students. There is also a large number of responses from families with **K (year one)** students, likely as a result of families looking to enter school.

Summary of Feedback

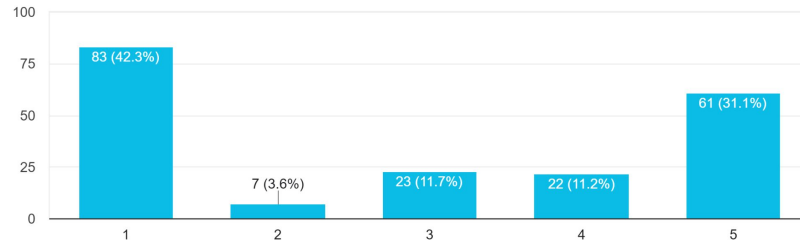


Option 13c

Average approval rating of the option: 2.85

Please rate this option (13c)

196 responses

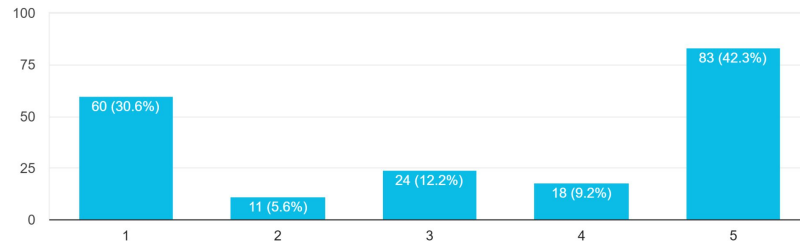


Option 14b

Average approval rating of the option: 3.27

Please rate this option (14b)

196 responses



Feedback Themes

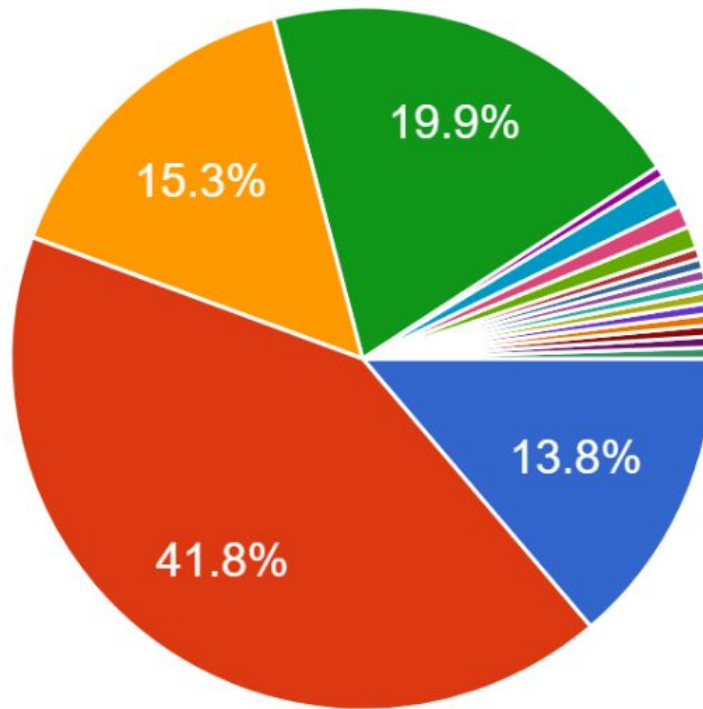


- **Legacy Exemption** ([popular topic](#)) 🔥
 - Zone 1 & 2 be exempt from moves until middle school.
 - Request to not move currently enrolled students.
 - Request to exclude the 7&8s from any changes.
- **Walkability** ([popular topic](#)) 🔥
 - Walking distance from school.
 - Do not move families that can walk to their school.
 - Concerns with elementary students are walking in high traffic areas.
- **French Immersion** ([popular topic](#)) 🔥
 - Have a dedicated FI school in each zone of Burlington. (East, West, North, South)
 - FI should not be at Tom Thomson PS.
 - FI should be at Tom Thomson PS.
 - FI at Central makes sense.
 - Good transition into HS.
 - Concern for FI attrition if the program is moved away.
- **Siblings**
 - Allow siblings to stay together at the same school.
- **Multiple moves**
 - Not pleased with the number of moves.
- **Zones**
 - Splitting zones impacts the student experience.
 - Splitting zone 6 separates families and neighbours.
- **Option 13c**
 - Has long term stability.
 - Very little impact on the involved schools.
 - Good balance between the numbers.
- **Option 14b**
 - Addresses overutilization.
 - Minimizes the moves for students
- **Other**
 - Does not like any of the options presented.
 - Lower Tom Thomson utilization.
 - Concern with both options still showing portables.

Summary of Feedback



How did you first hear about the Boundary Review (n=196)



- HDSB Website
- School Council
- Community Letter
- Friend or Family
- Social Media
- email
- School board newsletter
- School email

In the Boundary Review Process



Planning Department has heard:

Students Experience

- *Requests for Legacy Exemption* - request to remain at their current schools
- *Request for to remain at their current schools* - particularly centred around zone 3, 4, 6, 10 & 11
- *Support for FI at Central PS and Tom Thomson PS*
 - Central PS have a 2-12 FI school
 - Tom Thomson PS has the established FI culture.

Proximity to Schools

- *Request to maintains walkability* to closest schools *particularly Zone 3, 4 and 6*

In the Boundary Review Process



Planning Department has heard:

Balance of Enrolments

- Concerns about Tom Thomson PS *over-utilizations*
- Concerns about Lakeshore PS *under-utilization*

Geographic Area and Barriers

- Requests to split area 4
- Requests to remain south of the QEW
- Requests to have area 6 remain as one community

Program Viability

- *Balance enrolments with the level of service to maximized services*

Recommendations



Planning Department:

- Option 14b is the preferred option from Planning Services
- For Option 13c, if it were to proceed, Planning Services recommends not dividing Zone 6.
- Will make the ***recommendation for Legacy Exemption and Guaranteed Acceptance*** in the Transfer Schools Process as stated in this presentation.
- Will make the recommendations to ***adjusted the secondary boundaries*** without impacting current students. Implementation 2027 (if time permits) or 2028.
- Acknowledges a ***Program and Accommodation Review*** is required.
- A notification will be shared on the recommended option.

Discussion - Options

1. What should the BRSC consider in deciding to make a recommendation?



PART 3

Legacy Exemptions (update)



Legacy Exemption: Students who reside at their **current home** address are permitted to remain at their original school until they complete the highest grade level offered at their current school. **Transportation** will be provided.

Parent Action:

- **None** - Students will automatically remain at their school until graduation.



Proposed Legacy Exemptions: Grades 5-8 (2027)

Transfer Schools Process (update)



Transfer Schools Application Process: Families fill out an **application** requesting to attend a school outside of their designated home school. **Transportation is not provided.**

Parent Action:

- Parent must **Apply** through the [Transfer School within HDSB process](#).
- **Failure to submit** an application will result in your child **transferred** to the newly assigned school.



Guaranteed Acceptance Transfer Schools within HDSB: Grades K-4 (2027)

Applications Open: January 2027

Due Date: Early February, 2027

Exact dates will be announced December 2026 on the [Transfer Schools within the HDSB](#).

New Boundaries Implemented (update)



Siblings: Students with siblings not attending schools, the younger sibling will be directed to the newly designated school for their residence. They will be **ineligible** for **Legacy Exemption** or **guaranteed Transfer School status**.

New to The Community: Students will be assigned to their local catchment school. They will be **ineligible** for **Legacy Exemption** or **guaranteed Transfer School status**.



Siblings & New to the Community have the option to [Transfer Schools Application Process](#).

- Acceptance is **not guaranteed** will be based on available space in the school and the class.
- Older siblings have the option to attend the younger sibling's school, if the program is available.
- Transportation **not** provided.

Parent Action:

- Parent must **Apply** through the [Transfer School within HDSB process](#).

Secondary Boundaries English

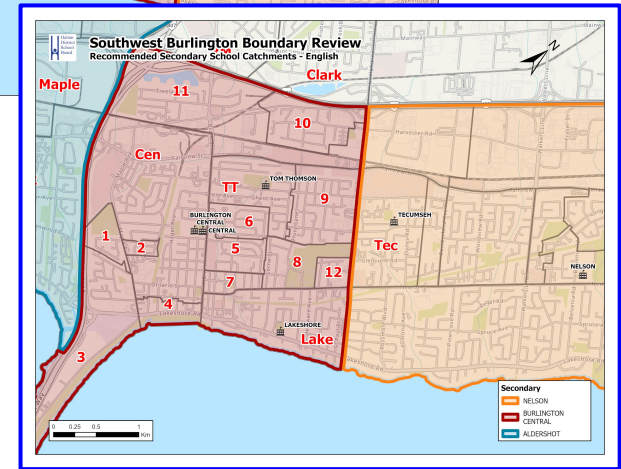
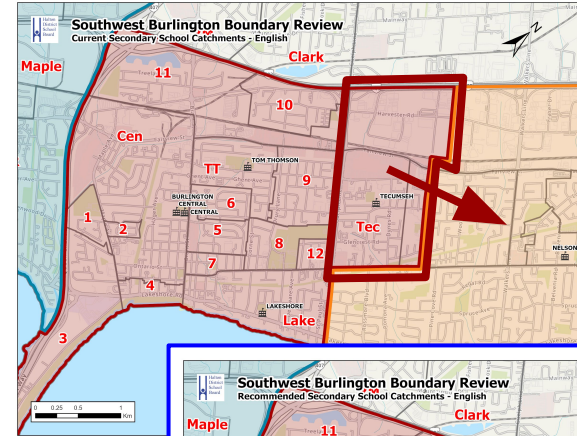


Tecumseh PS:

- Currently a split cohort

Recommendation:

1. **Split cohort to continue** - shift the Burlington Central / Nelson Boundary (east to Guelph Line).
 - a. Area 11 (west of Guelph Line) to **Burlington Central HS**
 - b. Areas east of Guelph Line to **Nelson HS**.
2. Phase areas east of Guelph Line and directed to Burlington Central to Nelson.
 - a. Legacy Exempt students in grades 10-12 (2027).
 - b. Grade 9(2027) student directed to Nelson (east of Guelph Line)
 - c. Boundaries apply to students moving into the community grades 9-12 in 2027.
3. **Will require a boundary review - Pathway #2**



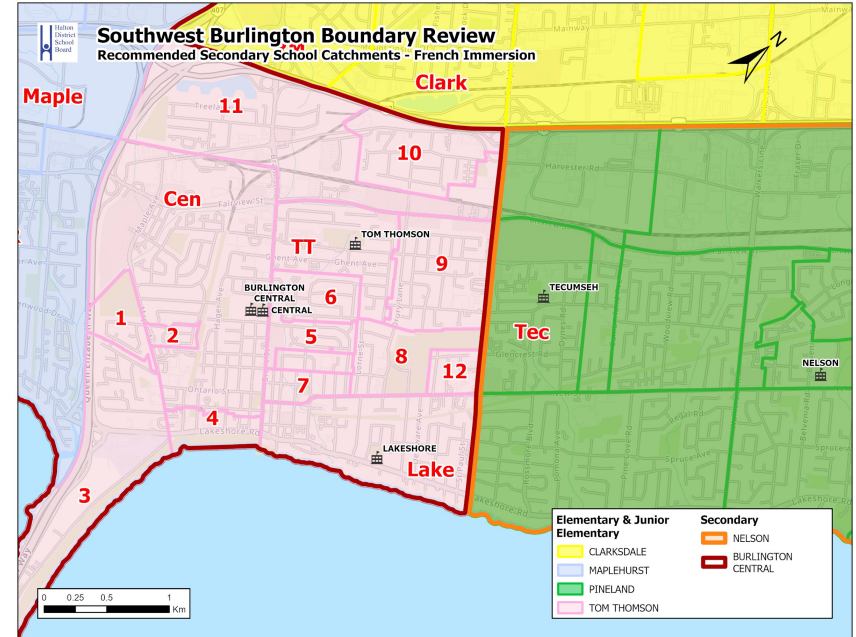
Secondary Boundaries FI

Burlington Central Elem FI:

- Currently a split cohort
 - West of Guelph Line
 - Tom Thomson > Burlington Central (7-12)
 - East of Guelph Line
 - Tom Thomson > Burlington Central (7 & 8) > Nelson (9 - 12)
- Impact Tec area

Recommendation:

1. Tec directed to Pineland PS. Pineland PS directed to Nelson HS. (split cohort removed)
2. Legacy Exemption acceptance to current FI students grades 5-8 (2027)
3. Transfer School Process is available to current students of Burlington Central HS.



Discussion - Implementation

1. What additional consideration should the BRSC consider regarding the implementation plan.
2. Secondary Boundaries considerations?



PART 4

Next Steps



Boundary Review Steering Committee and Notification to the Community

- The BRSC will write the Board Report with the Director's recommendations and present it to the Board of Trustees
- Notification of the recommendations will be sent out to the community after the draft report is shared with Administrative Council.

Board Meeting

- May 5, 2026 - report presented to Board for information
 - The BRC will be sent a copy of the report prior to the Board meeting.
- June 3, 2026 - report presented to Board for decision
- There will be opportunities for the community to [Delegate the Board](#) at the May 5th and June 3rd board meetings.

Questions?

- If you have questions, submit to SWB_Review@hdsb.ca

How to Delegate

- **Submit Your Request** - Complete the **Delegation Request Form** available on the [hdsb.ca](https://www.hdsb.ca) website no later than 12pm, one day prior to the meeting and no earlier than five weeks in advance.
- **Supplementary Materials** - If you have any supplementary materials that you would like to share with the Board of Trustees, please submit to the **Manager of Governance** by **12pm on the same date** of the Board meeting to ensure distribution to Trustees.
- **Late Submissions** - Supplementary Materials received after the deadline will only be **shared with the express permission of the Chair**.



*For the May 5th meeting:
Requests Due: May 4, 2026
Material Submissions Due:
May 5, 2026 at 12pm*

*For the June 2nd meeting:
Requests Due: June 1, 2026
Material Submissions Due:
June 2, 2026 at 12pm*

Opportunities to Delegate

Residents of the Halton Region may request to delegate the Board of Trustees on the following dates:

- Tuesday, May 5, 2026 (Board meeting)
- Tuesday, June 2, 2026 (Board meeting)



*Submissions must be made by no later than **12pm, one day before** the scheduled meeting*