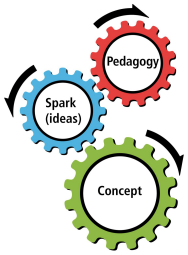
Motion

A committee will be established in the fall of 2017 to investigate the concept of a specialty focus for Aldershot High School including but not limited to a theme, magnet, incubator and/or alternative school concepts. The committee will be comprised of a variety of stakeholders from the Aldershot school community, central board staff in addition to School Program staff.

Context



This committee will be tasked with investigating and considering viability of a variety of innovative approaches and making recommendations. The proposed criteria will guide committee, stakeholder and Board discussions/actions in exploring a variety of innovative concepts.

Concept Criteria

- Student interest/engagement - Reach of potential students (from Halton and beyond)
- Increase of overall enrolment (grades 9 - 12)
- Alignment with Ontario Curricula and Multi-Year Plan
- Equitable (7 Equity Lenses)
- Staffing considerations
- Pedagogically sound
- Continuity of regional and specialized programs within Burlington
- Viable numbers to support existing English and French programs
- Cost effectiveness of program development
- Fiscally responsible (e.g., facilities)
- Program contributions to outcomes for students (e.g., Ministry of Education's Global Competencies)

Decision-Making

The recommendation to the Board of Trustees for decision, will be made by Board staff involved in the Exploration Committee, in consultation with appropriate staff as required:

- School Program Department,
- Research Department,
- Student Services Department,
- Facilities Services,
- Human Resources,
- Business Services and
- Information Services.

The Coordinating Superintendent, Superintendent of Program and/or the Superintendent responsible for Aldershot High School will bring a **report to the Board no later than February 2018.**