

# Acton Integration Committee Meeting #3



# (ELCO)

# **Role of Integration Committee**

### **Integration Process from our Boundary Review Procedure**

It is important the integration of students and staff into their new school(s) is achieved in a way that is positive and supportive for the students and parents of the respective school communities and neighbourhoods. This process of integration should be carried out in consultation with parents and staff.

The affected Superintendent will establish an Integration Committee following the final decision on school boundaries and program placement. The Integration Committee will plan for and implement the positive integration of students and staff affected by the boundary decision and relocation into their new school environment. The affected Superintendent of Education would act as the Chair of the Integration Committee.

# **Agenda Items**

- 1. Welcome and Review
- 2. ADHS Facility Updates
- 3. Student Issues/Feedback from each school
- 4. Bell Times and Transportation Update
- 5. School Naming revisited
- 6. Video update
- 7. Transition plans for Grades 6-8's
- 8. Staffing Update

## **Acton Facility Upgrades**

For September

- Addition of Intermediate Changerooms
- Expanded Paved Areas behind school
- Addition of VP Office/Conference Room For 2022/3
- Add 3 Additional Classroom Areas
- Outdoor Classroom/Naturalized learning areas

### Student Voice: Robert Little

- Information presented to all Grade 6 students during classroom visits
- Questions gathered from all students and answers shared with them from the Q&A doc created
- Map of Acton High School with Intermediate classrooms and shared spaces highlighted
- Opportunity for additional Q&A provided
- Students and parents are grateful for the sharing of information and transparency of the process

### **Student Voice: MSB**

- Questions gathered from all Grade 6 & 7 students through classroom visits
- Answers shared with Grade 6 & 7 students once verified
- Presentation provided to all Grade 6 & 7 students to review key points of the transition
- Map of Action High School with Intermediate classrooms and shared spaces highlighted
- Opportunity for additional Q&A provided

### **Student Voice: Virtual North**

- All virtual MSB and Robert Little Grade 6 & 7 students invited to a Google Meet session with VP's from VEN, MSB, and Robert Little
- Presentation provided to all virtual Grade 6 & 7 students to share details of the transition
- Map of Acton High School with Intermediate classrooms and shared spaces highlighted
- Q&A opportunity provided to virtual students

### Student Voice: Acton District High

- Presented questions and answers from our last visits
- Students were very quiet this time
- Some asked about courses offerings once the Grade 7 and 8's arrive
- Positive response to growing the secondary population
- Suggested senior students could act as mentors to intermediates

### **Tentative Transition Plans to Acton High**

- Social media blitz with hashtag slogan: #ActonBearcats
- Virtual tour of school
- Virtual scavenger hunt meets human library
- "I Spy" of classroom spaces
- Virtual field trips combined with panel discussions
- Welcome package of Acton goodies
- Whole school staff meeting in June (7 -12 teachers)
- Mentorship opportunities for Acton students

# **Bell Times and Transportation**

- 1. New Routes Being Finalized
- 2. Bell Times to be confirmed before next meeting

# **School Naming Discussion**

### 3 Options Discussed

- 1. Acton District High School (similar to Aldershot and Burlington Central)
- 2. Acton Community School (does not suggest it is a 7-12 school)
- 3. Acton Intermediate and Secondary School

4. Acton District School



# Video Update

Filming Completed
Editing ongoing
Will be ready to share next meeting
Audio Recorded



### **Transition Plans for New Students**

As new students register prior to the end of the year, MSB will inform them of the change for the following year and will be sure to include them in any communication going forward.

# **Staffing Updates**

- First Advertisement for Elementary jobs to be posted week of March 8
- Think, at this point, it will be 3 jobs (meaning approximately 9 jobs will be posted in total)
- Any MSB staff with the appropriate qualifications may apply for these first 3.
- P and VP will determine which jobs to post first
- All other jobs will be posted out to the entire district over the next month

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### **Key Meeting Dates:**

\*New Date\*

Meeting #4: Tuesday April 20, 2021

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

