



RECONFIGURATION Secondary Working Committee

REPORT To: Reconfiguration Advisory Committee

REPORT Date: November 21, 2017

Secondary Working Committee Membership:

CSS	Sharon Bernard, Jason Templeton
Ed Centre	Sean Wicker
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GWG	Shane Wiseman, Hugh Longhurst
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District Office	Rohan Arul-pragasam (Assistant Superintendent – Committee Chair)

MANDATE:

The Secondary School Implementation Working Committee will provide information and recommendations regarding reconfiguring all three high schools and the Education Centre to a grade 9-12 model to the Implementation Advisory Committee, Board of Education and Superintendent.

MISSION:

"To successfully implement the transition to a grade 9-12 high school framework effective September 2018, while meeting the academic, social and emotional needs of students in our Community."

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

The Committee will garner feedback from school working committees, receive presentations, explore issues, review recommendations and implement feasible solutions after reporting back to schools and the Advisory Committee.

Upcoming Working Committee Meetings (minimum):

- November 9th, 2017
- January 18th, 2018
- February 15th, 2018
- April 5th, 2018
- May 10th, 2018
- May 31st, 2018

Note: Other meetings will be scheduled as required.





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Secondary Working Committee Meeting – November 9th, 2017

- Boundary Review and Feeder School Relationships – Next Steps:
 - Need to plan in advance enrolment numbers and courses at GWG and SSS.
- Reconfiguration Timeline:
 - Add registration (register only if they are new to the district or are not going to their feeder school), make it a hot link like “Pay School Fees.”
 - Visit feeders’ PACs to hear questions/concerns (CSS in November), then two open houses at CSS. Added one in January for only grade 8 parents, in addition to grade 9 parents’ open house. SSS will also be communicating with parents of grade 8s.
 - Someone from the district should attend all parent nights/open houses with consistent message re. choice and opportunities.
 - Alternate Education redesign.
 - Communicate courses offered for grade 9s, specialty programs (e.g., outdoor education, French field trip), athletics – how grade 8s moving into grade 9 are going to be accommodated.
- Boomerang Project Peer Mentoring LINK/Crew Training:
 - Training confirmed for February 26-28, 2018.
- Next Steps in the Planning Stage:
 - Facilities
 - December 1 deadline for initial scan of the spaced needed. Another scan January 15 to late February.
 - Any extra tech or construction time? There is no space for prep. Need resources and time (wiring, computers) – will meet with each secondary school regarding their needs.
 - Facilities scan.
 - Resources
 - What resources will schools need to implement the redesigned curriculum? Learning resources – need to build budget (what is needed and rationale) – by November 30.
 - Staffing for double time at feeder schools – additional resources to start the planning process. Start planning in April for semester 2. And to support student services.
 - Redesigned Curriculum
 - Have a one-day forum for secondary staff.