

RECONFIGURATION

Secondary Working Committee

REPORT To: Reconfiguration Advisory Committee

REPORT Date: June 4, 2018

Secondary Working Committee Membership:

CSS	Sharon Bernard, Jason Templeton
Ed Centre	Sean Wicker
FVDES	Todd Mclean, Dennis Miller
GWG	Shane Wiseman, Hugh Longhurst
SSS	Dan Heisler/Lynnet Schramm, Brad Geary
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 – June 4th, 2018

Information-

- All three high schools are almost complete balancing student schedules and maximizing space. Schools still continue to schedule students, especially new students to the catchment area. Kudos to counselling and admin staff that continues to work hard to ensure all classes meet class size limits for September.
- **Hiring is completed** with some possible additional postings on June 12th.
- Portable landing spaces are being prepped at SSS and at GWG for September 2018.
- Dr. Stan Kutcher from Dalhousie University has developed a suite of resources to improve understanding of mental health and wellness, and support the prevention and management of challenges, for educators, youth and their families. These mental health literacy resources, including Go-To Educator Professional Learning opportunities, are available at teenmentalhealth.org. All three high schools will be sending an administrator, along with members of our student services team for a three day session in July to work with Dr. Stan Kutcher and his team to bring this evidence-based Canadian mental health literacy curriculum resource to our schools in Chilliwack. The curriculum provides a complete set of educational tools research demonstrated to increase mental health literacy of both students and teachers.

