



March 6, 2017

To the Parent/Guardians of the Brookwood Family of Schools:

District staff have completed two of the scheduled consultation meetings pertaining to the implementation of middle school programming in the Brookwood community. Three options were provided to those in attendance at the second meeting on February 22, 2017:

1. A single-track French Immersion school, Kindergarten to Grade 5, at Alice Brown; a dual-track middle school at Noel Booth; with single-track English schools, Kindergarten to Grade 5, at Belmont and Glenwood.
2. A single-track French Immersion school, Kindergarten to Grade 5, at Alice Brown; a dual-track middle school, grades 6 to 8, at Belmont; with single-track English schools, Kindergarten to Grade 5, at Noel Booth and Glenwood.
3. Temporary stand alone dual-track school, Grades 6 and 7, at Noel Booth; a single-track French Immersion school, Kindergarten to Grade 5, at Alice Brown; with single-track English schools, Kindergarten to Grade 5, at Belmont and Glenwood.

During the community meeting on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, a fourth option was generated by parents that proposes two dual-track English/French Immersion schools, Kindergarten to Grade 5, at Alice Brown and Noel Booth; a single-track English school, Kindergarten to Grade 5, at Glenwood; and the conversion of Belmont to a dual-track middle school, Grades 6 to 8.

Staff will consider the feedback on all four options and assess the timeline, enrolment patterns, and financial viability of each option prior to the third consultation meeting.

The community meeting scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> has been delayed until the Fall when the District Leadership Team hopes to have more information pertaining to the Brookwood-Fernridge Community Development Plan. We understand that the Brookwood community would appreciate knowing the impact on future student enrolment associated with this development and how this may impact current school sites and potential new school building projects.

At the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education on May 30, 2017, the Long Term Facilities Plan recommendation will state that the Brookwood community will require additional time to generate a plan for the implementation of middle school programming in the region until the Development Plan is determined.

Thank you for your thoughtful and respectful participation in this process. We look forward to continuing our work with the community to generate a middle school structure that benefits students.

Sincerely,

Gord Stewart

A/Superintendent of Schools