

OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR Tony Stack Chair: Goronwy Price C.E.O./Director of Education: Darrin Pike

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As you are aware, a new Kindergarten to Grade 7 school will open in Conception Bay South in September 2017. Along with the school communities of the Queen Elizabeth Regional High School system, the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District is eagerly anticipating the opening of this school.

In anticipation of the addition of this new facility, the District has met with area school councils and school administrations to discuss options for the creation of the attendance zone (or catchment area) for the new school. As a result of these discussions the District is proposing changes to the school attendance zones for St. Edward's Elementary and Upper Gullies Elementary. Further detail on the proposed modifications can be found on the District website (<u>https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/schoolreview/2017/systemcbs.jsp</u>). An information package is provided on this page that includes the proposed new zones, school population data, school infrastructure capabilities and a feedback form.

As there are two proposed school attendance zone scenarios for Upper Gullies Elementary (Scenario A & Scenario B), changes to the attendance zone of St. Edward's Elementary, as well as enrollment changes to Frank Roberts Junior High, we are requesting feedback from members of the school communities on the proposed modifications. We request that you review the information package and complete the feedback form by noon on March 3, 2017 to help inform the District as we move forward with this process.

As well, the District will hold an information session on Thursday, February 23, 2017 to provide a briefing on the information package provided. This session will be held in the gymnasium of Queen Elizabeth Regional High and begin at 6:30 p.m. Members of the school community who would like to receive the information package as a presentation by District staff are invited to attend this session.

Further, should any member of the school community prefer a paper copy of the information package or prefer to provide their feedback through a paper form, they may do so by contacting your school administration.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Cathy Martin at <u>cathymartin@nlesd.ca</u> or 758-2701.

Thank you for contribute to this important process and we look forward to receiving your feedback.

Sincerely,

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