



November 9, 2022

Dear Parents & Guardians,

On Monday, November 7, 2022, the Board of Trustees approved recommendations to change the boundaries for Canadian Martyrs, Saint John Paul II, St. Anne (K), and St. Daniel Catholic Elementary Schools (CES) as well as St. Mary's High School. The purpose was to establish boundaries for the new St. Patrick CES and the East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School in advance of their opening.

The boundary changes in accordance with Staff Recommended Option 6 will take effect when the new schools open, anticipated to be September 2024.

Option 6 includes the following changes:

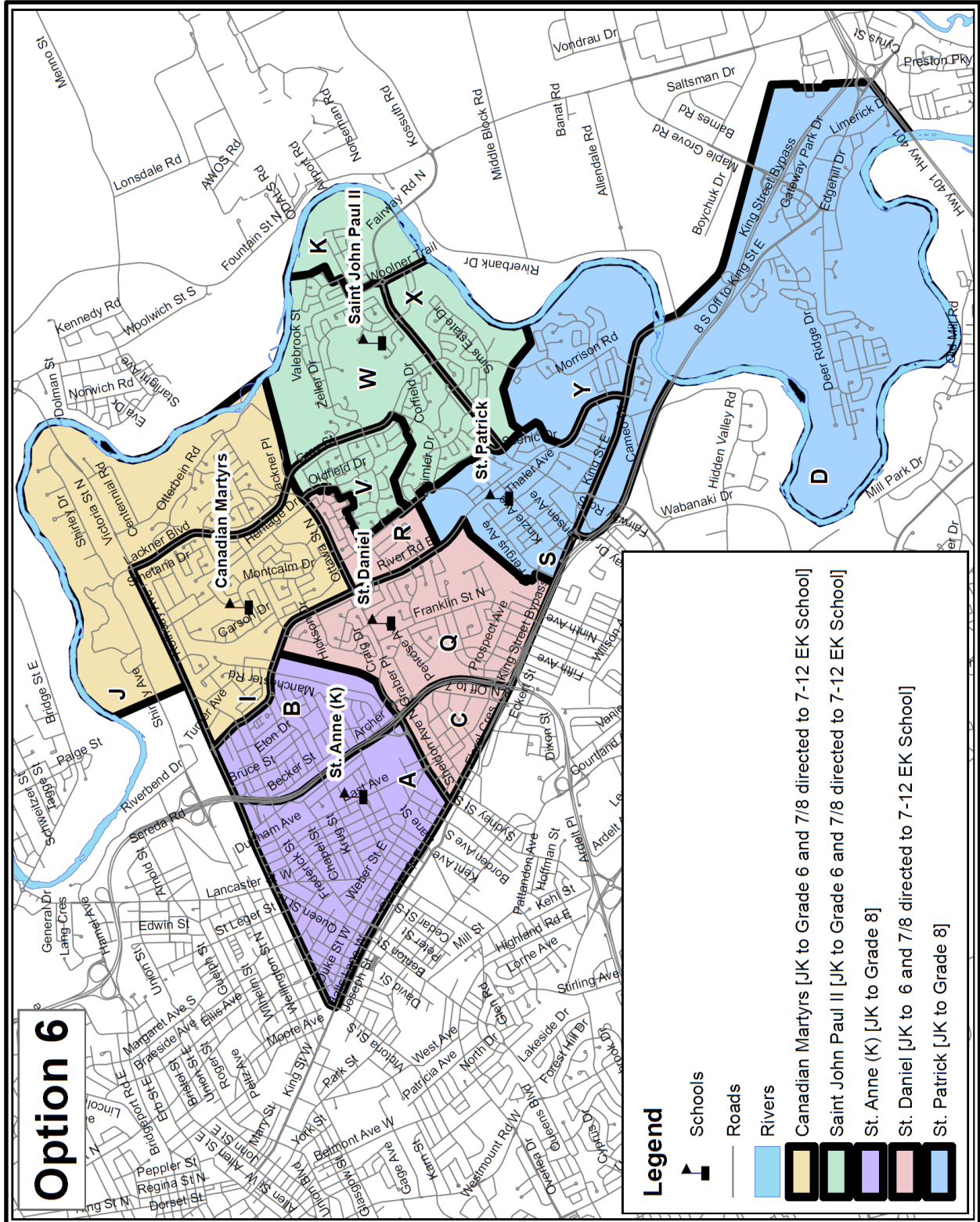
- Move sub-area C from St. Anne (K) to St. Daniel.
- Move sub-area D from St. Anne (K) to St. Patrick.
- Move sub-area K from Canadian Martyrs to Saint John Paul II.
- Move sub-area S from St. Daniel to St. Patrick.
- Move sub-area Y from Saint John Paul II to St. Patrick.
- St. Anne (K) would continue to be a JK-8 elementary school.
- St. Patrick would be a JK-8 elementary school.
- Canadian Martyrs, Saint John Paul II, and St. Daniel would be JK-6 schools with grades 7/8 being directed to the East Kitchener 7-12 school.

A map of Option 6 is presented on the following page, followed by the approved recommendations. Further, the changes are also summarized, by school, in the accompanying diagrams.

Information on the decisions and all boundary review information remains available on the board's [Boundary Review](#) webpage.



Figure 1: Option 6 Approved Boundaries



Boundary and Grade Configuration

1. That the boundaries and grade configurations of Canadian Martyrs Catholic Elementary School (CES), Saint John Paul II CES, St. Anne (K) CES, St. Daniel CES, the new St. Patrick CES and East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School be established in accordance with Option 6.
2. That Canadian Martyrs Catholic Elementary School (CES), Saint John Paul II CES, and St. Daniel CES become JK-6 and their boundaries be modified, effective September 2024 or at such time that the new schools open.
3. That Canadian Martyrs CES, Saint John Paul II CES, and St. Daniel CES students be directed to attend the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School for Grades 7 and 8 and 9-12, effective September 2024 or at such time that the new schools open.
4. That St. Anne (K) CES will remain JK-8 English and Grade 1-8 French Immersion, and the new St. Patrick CES will become JK-8 and their boundaries be modified, effective September 2024 or at such time that the new schools open.
5. That St. Anne (K) CES and the new St. Patrick CES students be directed to attend the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School for Grades 9-12, effective September 2024 or at such time that the new schools open.
6. That the East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School open with Grades 7-10 as per the 7-12 Program Review recommendations (i.e., Grades 7-10 in 2024/25, 7-11 in 2025/26, and 7-12 in 2026/27).
7. That St. Mary's High School continue to be a 9-12 secondary school.
8. That Blessed Sacrament CES, new Huron Brigadoon CES, John Sweeney CES, Our Lady of Grace CES, Monsignor Haller CES, St. Aloysius CES, St. Bernadette CES, St. Kateri Tekakwitha CES, and St. Timothy CES remain part of St. Mary's High School family of schools and the St. Mary's boundary be changed to reflect its modified family of schools.

Elementary Legacy Exceptions

9. That Grade 5 students residing within the sub-area being directed to Saint John Paul II CES who are enrolled at Canadian Martyrs CES in the 2023/2024 school year, or the school year prior to the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School opening, be provided legacy exceptions to finish Grade 6 at their current school.
10. That students who are granted legacy exceptions to remain at Canadian Martyrs CES as of the year prior to the boundary change, be provided with transportation, if they qualify in accordance with board procedure APO012 – Transportation.



11. That Grade 5 students residing within the sub-area being directed to St. Daniel CES who are enrolled at St. Anne (K) CES in the 2023/2024 school year, or the school year prior to the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School opening, be provided legacy exceptions to finish Grade 8 at their current school.
12. That students who are granted legacy exceptions to remain at St. Anne (K) as of the year prior to the boundary change, be provided with transportation, if they qualify in accordance with board procedure APO012 – Transportation.
13. That Grade 7 students residing within sub-areas being directed to St. Patrick CES who are enrolled at Saint John Paul II CES, St. Anne (K) CES, or St. Daniel CES in the 2023/2024 school year, or the school year prior to the new St. Patrick CES opening, be provided legacy exceptions to attend the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School for Grade 8 onwards.
14. That Grade 7 students who are granted legacy exceptions to attend the East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School for Grade 8 be provided with transportation, if they qualify in accordance with board procedure APO012 – Transportation.
15. That St. Patrick CES open with Grades JK-7 and that Grade 8 students residing within the new St. Patrick CES boundary in the year that it opens, be granted legacy exceptions to attend the new East Kitchener 7-12 School (i.e., Grades JK-7 in 2024/25 and JK-8 in 2025/26).

Secondary Grade Configuration

16. That Grade 10-12 students residing within elementary school boundaries being directed to the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School who are enrolled at St. Mary's High School in the 2023/2024 school year, or the school year prior to the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School opening, will remain at St. Mary's High school until they graduate.
17. That Grade 10-12 students who are enrolled at St. Mary's High School in the 2023/2024 school year, or the school year prior to the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School opening, be provided with transportation, if they qualify in accordance with board procedure APO012 – Transportation.

Elementary French Immersion

18. That Grade 1-7 students residing in sub-areas C and D being directed to St. Daniel CES or St. Patrick CES who are enrolled at St. Anne (K) CES for French Immersion in the 2023/2024 school year, or the school year prior to the new St. Patrick CES opening, be provided legacy exceptions to finish Grade 8 French Immersion at St. Anne (K) CES.
19. That siblings of French Immersion students who are also enrolled at St. Anne (K) CES in the 2023/2024 school year, or the school year prior to the new St. Patrick CES opening, be provided a legacy exception to remain at St. Anne (K) CES until their French Immersion sibling finishes Grade 8, at which time the non-French Immersion student is expected to attend their designated home school.



20. That Grade 1-7 students who are granted legacy exceptions to attend St. Anne (K) CES for French Immersion until Grade 8, and their siblings registered and attending St. Anne (K) CES in the 2023/2024 school year, or the school year prior to the new St. Patrick CES opening, be provided with transportation, if they qualify in accordance with board procedure APO012 – Transportation.

Secondary French Immersion

21. That Grade 8 students who are enrolled at St. Anne (K) CES for French Immersion in the 2022/2023 school year be directed to attend St. David Catholic Secondary School (CSS) for Grade 9 French Immersion beginning in 2023/2024 with board-provided hub-model transportation.
22. That Grade 8 students who are enrolled at St. Anne (K) CES for French Immersion in the 2023/2024 school year, or the year prior to the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic school opening, be directed to attend the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School.
23. That Grade 9 French Immersion students who are enrolled at St. David CSS and residing in the St. Anne (K) French Immersion attendance area in the 2023/2024 school year or the year prior to the opening of the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School, be directed to attend the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School for Grade 10-12 with transportation if they qualify in accordance with board procedure APO012 – Transportation.
24. That, if the opening of the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School opening is delayed beyond 2024/2025, that French Immersion students in Grades 10 or above who are enrolled at St. David CSS in the year prior to the opening of the new school who resides within the St. Anne (K) CES French Immersion attendance area, remain at St. David CSS until graduation with board-provided hub-model transportation and that any Grade 9 French Immersion student who resides within the St. Anne (K) CES French Immersion attendance area be directed to the new East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School for Grade 10 onwards. Grade 10 or above French Immersion Students may remain at St. David CSS as Out of Boundary students, without board-provided transportation.

Timing

25. That, if the opening of the new St. Patrick CES precedes the opening of the East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School opening, that the boundaries of Canadian Martyrs CES, Saint John Paul CES, St. Anne (K) CES, St. Daniel CES, and St. Patrick CES be established in accordance with the preferred option, Option 6, but with a grade JK-8 configuration for all existing schools, until such time that the East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School opens. St. Patrick CES would open with Grades JK-7 and Grade 8 students residing within the new St. Patrick CES boundary in the year that it opens, be granted legacy exceptions to remain at their current school for Grade 8.



Capping & Appeal Process

26. That new Out of Boundary admissions to Canadian Martyrs CES, Saint John Paul II CES, St. Anne(K) CES, and St. Daniel CES be considered by special administrative level committee, prior to the opening of the new St. Patrick CES and East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School. Admission of Out of Boundary students in unusual and extraordinary circumstances will be considered if:

- A student's mental, physical, or academic well-being would likely be compromised if they were moved.
- Upon the professional consideration of school and board staff, there is a determination that a student's unique personal and educational needs are better served at the current school.
- There are unique health and safety considerations pertaining to the student, that are better served at the current school and which are verified by school and board staff.

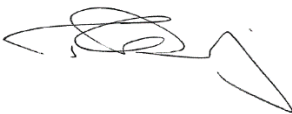
Transition

27. That a Transition Planning Committee, which includes students, be formed in the year prior to the opening of the new St. Patrick CES and East Kitchener 7-12 Catholic School to support all students whose school direction will be affected as a result of the East Kitchener 7-12 Boundary Review and to solicit input from staff who support equity initiatives, as required.

Further information will be shared with the affected school communities in the early spring before the new schools open, including information on the approved appeal process.

The Board would like to thank all of those who were involved throughout the review. To each of the Boundary Review Committee representatives, parents/guardians and school community members who participated in the review to ensure the best outcome for all students – your advocacy is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Tyrone Dowling
Director of Education

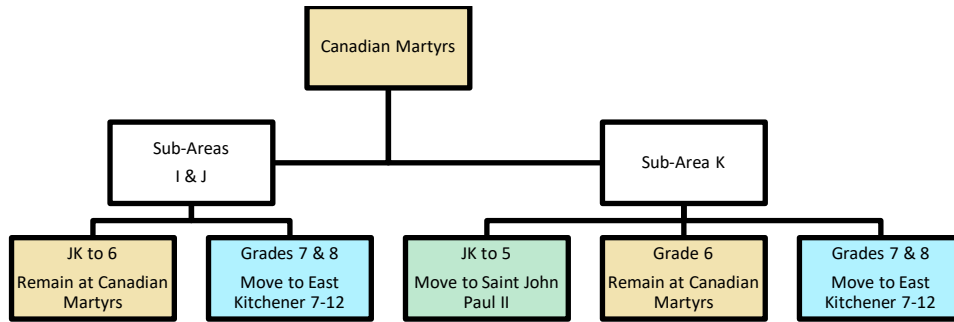


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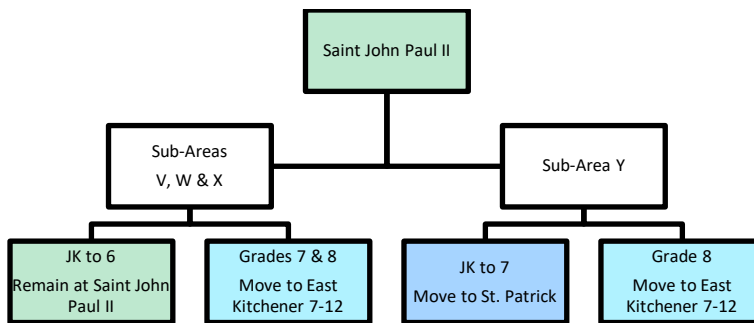
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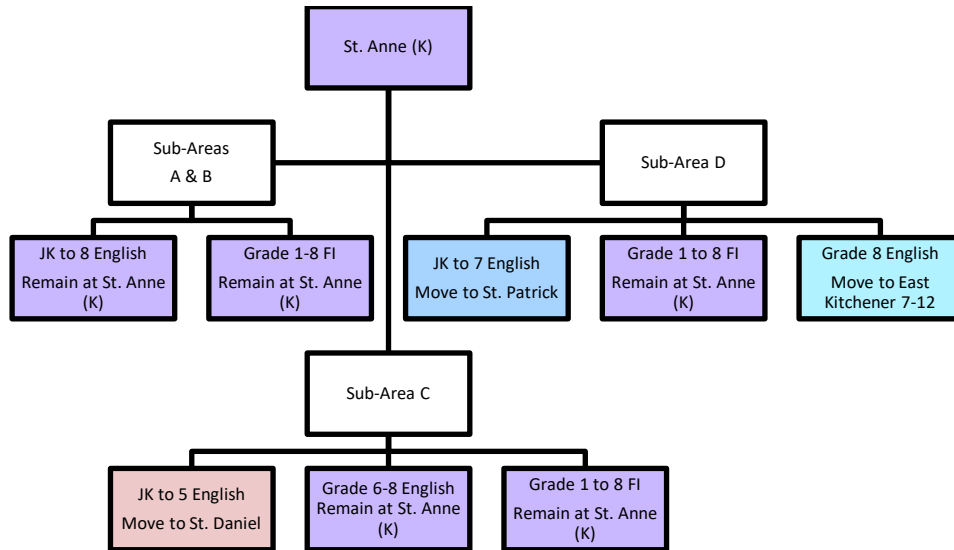
CANADIAN MARTYRS CES – 2024/25 SUB-AREA RE-DIRECTION



SAINT JOHN PAUL II – 2024/25 SUB-AREA RE-DIRECTION



ST. ANNE (K) – 2024/25 SUB-AREA RE-DIRECTION



ST. DANIEL – 2024/25 SUB-AREA RE-DIRECTION

