Middle School Programming in the DW Poppy and Aldergrove Regions



SD35 Board of Education Meeting Tuesday, June 18, 2019







Guiding Principles for Transitioning DW Poppy to a Middle/Secondary School

- 1. That the process be one of *integrity* where honesty and transparency are of utmost importance.
- 2. That *trust* between communities and the District be developed and maintained throughout the process.
- 3. That the District *listen* to communities and sincerely reflect on feedback and ideas.
- 4. That the District *value and honour* community members and treat them with respect.



To Date



Board of Education Motions

That the Board of Education approves the establishment of a Grade 6 to 12 middle/secondary education delivery model at the DW Poppy Secondary facility and directs staff to establish a Transition Committee to report back to the Board with an implementation plan for establishing the model which will include a timeline, facility change requirements and education programming implications.

That the Board of Education directs staff to report back to the Board on facility implications for the elementary schools in the DW Poppy zone by transitioning to a Kindergarten to Grade 5 education delivery model.

That the Board of Education directs staff to include representation from Coghlan Elementary as part of the DW Poppy Transition Committee and report back to the Board with an implementation plan to transition Coghlan to a Kindergarten to Grade 5 model.

That the Board of Education directs staff to report back to the Board on facility implications for Coghlan Fundamental Elementary School by transitioning to a Kindergarten to Grade 5 education delivery model.





A Focus on Students

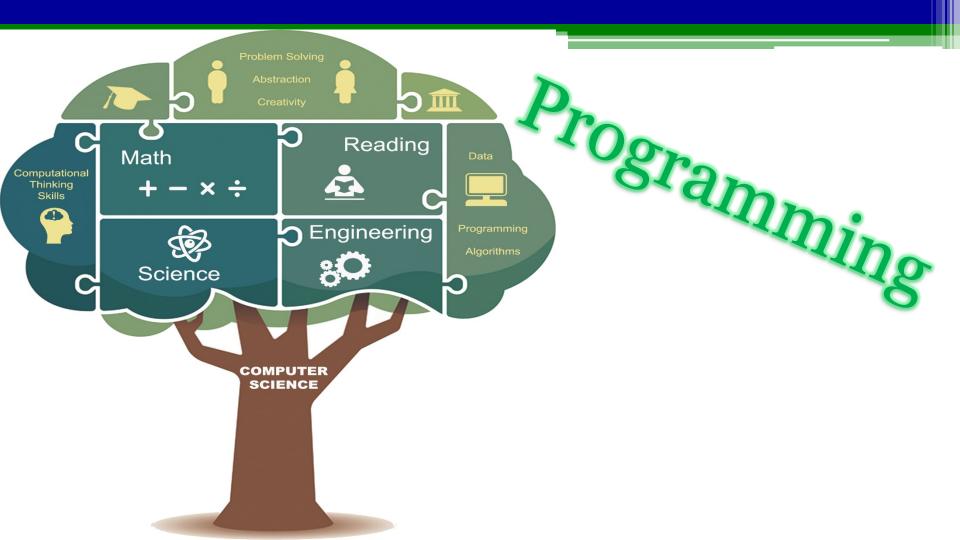
- Caring for the social emotional well-being of children
- Being mindful of the physical well-being of children
- Providing vibrant and sustainable learning opportunities for all children



Non Negotiables



- Safety separation between 6-8 and 9-12
 - All students inside
 - Split bell schedule
- Education Improvements in programming
 - K 5, 6 8, 9 12
 - Opportunities as Yorkson/HDSM/Peter Ewart/Betty Gilbert
- Facility Middle School
 - Collaborative Spaces, Learning Commons, Turf
 - 2/3 years completion









- Board motion to go to Middle in the Poppy region
- Capital letter will go in again
- Capital projections impacting decision
- Willoughby is adding another Middle School
- Opportunities for Grade 6/7/8 in Poppy
- Enrollment at Poppy Choice and Aldergrove
- Programming across our district (i.e. RE Mountain)
- Capital funds have been put into upgrade the current Poppy facility – Modernization

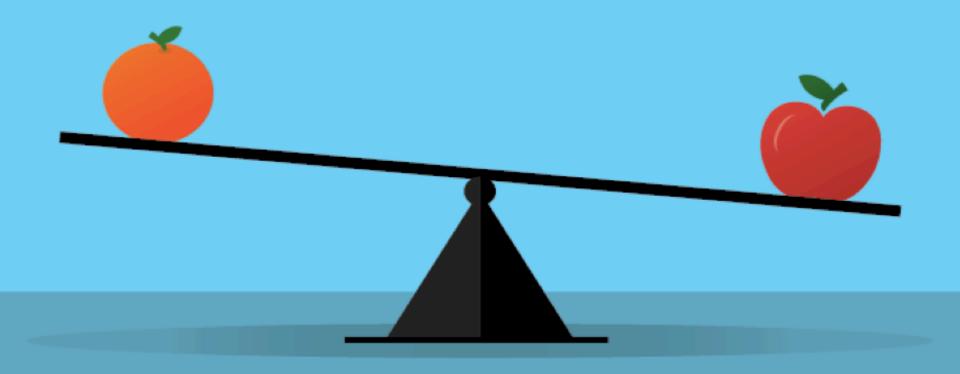






Option #1

- Wait on the Capital Funding
- Impact
 - Education Programming
 - Facility
 - Timeline





Option #2

- Provide portables onsite and go forth with the transition
- Impact
 - Community Safety
 - Educational Programming
 - Timeline
 - Transportation

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Option #3

- Poppy Middle ACSS Secondary
- Impact
 - Transportation
 - Catchment Areas
 - Emotional Connection





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Learning Together





Past Enrollment 2014-2018



Schools	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
ACSS	526	532	526	575	515 (594)
Betty Gilbert	418	426	419	381	420 (397)
Parkside	456	460	460	473	461 (486)
Shortreed	316	292	314	327	311 (318)

Enrolment Projections Next 5 Years



Schools	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
ACSS	635	644	615	621	623
Betty Gilbert	313	323	320	330	324
Parkside	494	487	490	482	492
Shortreed	329	336	346	342	336

Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek.

- Barack Obama







What does this mean for the Middle and Secondary Schools in the Aldergrove Community?

- Educational Programming
- Facilities
- Enrollment



Option to consider

- Status quo
 - □ K-5
 - 6-8 Betty Gilbert
 - 9-12 ACSS
 - Considerations
 - Programming
 - Facility

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Option to consider

- Poppy Middle ACSS Secondary
 - Enhancement of Facility
 - Enhancement of Educational Programming
 - Alignment with Middle and Secondary programming
 - Considerations
 - Balance to build sustainable K 5 schools Catchment areas
 - ACSS/Poppy Bussing extracurricular activities
 - ACSS/Poppy/Betty Gilbert staffing



Recommended Motion

"That District staff commence a consultation process with parents and staff in the DW Poppy and Aldergrove regions regarding the transition of DW Poppy to a standalone middle school and Aldergrove Secondary as the secondary feeder school, and report back to the Board of Education at their Regular Meeting in December 2019 with recommended next steps."