



Central Whitby Schools
Notice of Board of Trustees
Approved Central Whitby Accommodation Review
Approved Accommodation Solution

At the May 26, 2009 Board Meeting, the Durham District School Board (DDSB) Trustees passed a motion to approve the Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) recommended accommodation solution for six Central Whitby schools: Florence M. Heard Public School, Leslie McFarlane Public School, Palmerston Avenue Public School, Captain Michael VandenBos Public School, Jack Miner Public School and Pringle Creek Public School.

The approved ARC accommodation solution, referred to as Scenario 1 for Central Whitby will now be forwarded to the Ministry of Education for funding approval. The approved accommodation solution includes the closure of Leslie McFarlane Public School for June 2009. The boundary for Pringle Creek Public School will now include the Leslie McFarlane community. The Leslie McFarlane Public School students will move to Pringle Creek Public School for September 2009. Families who are currently at Leslie McFarlane Public School will receive additional details with regards to the closure of their school in the coming days.

The Durham District School Board will continue to keep the Central Whitby community of schools informed regarding the timing and funding approval as it becomes available from the Ministry of Education.

The Durham District School Board would like to take this opportunity to thank all members of the Central Whitby ARC for all their hard work and commitment to this extensive and intensive process. This committee of 29 people from the affected community met over twelve-months, commencing May 2008. There were a total of 18 meetings; 14 working meetings and 4 public meetings that were held, providing many opportunities for community input and information sharing throughout the process.

Details and the proposed timing of the Central Whitby approved accommodation solution, Scenario 1 can be found on the Board's Website at the School Accommodation/Updates link at www.durham.edu.on.ca