



ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Dear Parents/Guardians of Students at Coles Island School:

On October 23, 2014, the District Education Council (DEC) of Anglophone West School District voted in favour of a sustainability study of Coles Island School, under the process of Provincial Policy 409 – Multi-year Infrastructure Planning. This policy serves as a foundation for determining the sustainability of a school, taking into account many aspects, such as:

- Enrolment
- Health and Safety
- Quality of Education
- Transportation
- Impact on Community
- Finances
- Economic Development
- Impact on Other Schools

On March 19, 2015, the DEC held the third public meeting in this process. At that meeting, the Council voted in favour of closing Coles Island School and moving students to either Cambridge-Narrows Community School or Chipman Elementary School, based on where the student lives. We have set a boundary line as the intersection of Route 105 and Highway 10. This decision and our study report are being shared with the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development and senior staff within his department. In line with Policy 409, the Minister needs to approve the recommendation of the DEC prior to the District proceeding with this decision. The Minister and his staff will review the study information for procedural fairness and reach a final conclusion no sooner than 30 days and no later than 60 days from now. I will write to you again upon word from the Minister.

With this decision, the sustainability study of Coles Island School is now complete. Should the Minister approve the recommendation of the DEC, we will work diligently to provide a smooth and welcoming transition for your children as they prepare for and begin attending a new school.

I wish to thank you for your interest in this study and your continued commitment to your child's education.

Sincerely,

David McTimoney
Superintendent