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Feb. 14, 2017

## Important Changes to Student Population at Edgemont School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

After thorough review and feedback received from parents, students, staff and community members January 2016 to January 2017, we have decided to make the following changes to the student population at the school:

- Edgemont Grade 6 students move to Tom Baines School

This means that next year, the student population will include:

- Regular program K-5 for students living in Edgemont

This decision was made to address the fact that the school is over capacity. The decision reduces the number of students currently at the school by moving Grade 6 students to Tom Baines School. More details of what we heard from the community and how this plan responds to that feedback is detailed in the attached [chart](#).

We believe this plan provides the best use of learning space for our students, schools and communities as a whole. It also balances our values and planning principles with what we heard from our students, staff, parents and community.

We know you may have questions about implementing this plan, and we are providing answers to the most frequently asked questions here.

Thank you to everyone who participated at in-person sessions, open houses and through online surveys throughout the engagement process. Your thoughtful contributions have made a meaningful difference in decision-making.

### How will changes be phased in?

Edgemont students who are currently in Grade 5 will move to Tom Baines School in September 2017. This means no students will be grandfathered to remain at Edgemont School for Grade 6 next year.

### How will students get to school?

School walk zones and attendance areas can be found using the CBE's [Find a School](#) tool. Students designated to Edgemont School who live beyond the walk zone will continue to access yellow school bus transportation to and from school. Visit [Busing & Transportation](#) for more information.

As part of the June 2016 CBE transportation strategy to move Grade 6-9 students to Calgary Transit when possible, students attending Tom Baines School use Calgary Transit and other personal means to travel to and from school. Calgary Transit determines the number of buses and the routes based on ridership and available resources. Some communities have dedicated routes. Visit the [Calgary Transit website](#) for more information.

**Will students need to register at the new school location?**

Edgemont overflow K-5 students moving from Captain John Palliser School to Edgemont School and Grade 6 students moving to Tom Baines School do not need to register at the new school location. Enrolment automatically moves with the student. All other students will need to register (new to CBE) or request a transfer from their current school.

**Will teachers and other staff at the school be changing?**

In cases where students enrolled in a regular program move from one school to another, staff movement will depend on requirements at the current and new school locations as well as individual career choices.

**What support will families and students receive during the transition?**

Each school may provide support in different ways, such as hosting an information session, offering a school tour or other means of communication. Your school will advise of these opportunities once they are determined.

When a student with complex learning needs moves from one school to another, the supports required to fulfill the IPP requirements move with them. Teachers and staff at the former and new school will collaborate to ensure the student’s needs are met.

**What about bell times, school calendars, transfer of resources and fundraising dollars, and other decisions?**

School administration will communicate with staff, students and parents on implementing processes that work best for the CBE and the school community. CBE Administrative Regulations and other requirements and efficiencies will also be considered in these decisions. Check your school website and newsletter regularly for updates.

**What if I have more questions?**

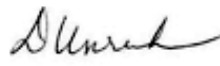
We have posted an [implementation FAQ](#) and other information on our website. If you have a question that is not answered here or on our website, contact the school’s principal. If you still have questions, please contact the Area I office at [Areal@cbe.ab.ca](mailto:Areal@cbe.ab.ca) or 403-777-8710.

This is a time of excitement and, understandably, some apprehension as well. We look forward to working with staff, students and parents to help make a smooth transition.

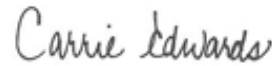
Sincerely,



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## Decision: Regular Program K-5

Edgemont Grade 6 students move to Tom Baines School

	Key factors and what we heard	Response related to key factors and what we heard
<p><b>Current:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Programming: Regular program K-6</li> <li>Enrolment: Home Area = 718 Other = 3 Total = 721</li> <li>Available instructional space: 700</li> </ul>	<p>Keep students close to home</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintains regular program in the community</li> </ul>
	<p>Concerns about increased distance and time on bus and potential to increase overall carbon footprint</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimizes travel time to school</li> <li>Allows more students to walk to school</li> <li>Reduces the need for yellow school bus transportation</li> </ul>
	<p>Edgemont School is over capacity and enrolment is capped</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Addresses over capacity issues at Edgemont School by moving Grade 6 Edgemont students to Tom Baines School</li> <li>Eliminates overflow of students to Captain John Palliser School</li> </ul>
	<p>Concern with middle school model</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Build awareness of middle school philosophy and opportunities for student learning</li> </ul>
<p><b>Issue:</b> Over capacity and enrolment is capped</p>	<p>Minimize number of moves students make</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keeps most students at their current school</li> <li>Reduces the number of transitions for students</li> </ul>
	<p>Keep groups of students together</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allows students within the same neighbourhood to go to school together</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Sustainability</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Space will continue to be limited for the next couple of years, then enrolment should begin to decline</li> <li>Keeps Edgemont students in the community K-9</li> </ul>