

Regional Executive Director of Education

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Families,

We want to hear from you!

In September 2023, two new schools under one roof on Broad Street will open their doors to students.

The Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) is currently in the planning phase of establishing boundaries for the Pre-Primary to Grade 8 school. At the high school level, we are considering a different approach for boundaries; one that gives families a choice.

Defining these boundaries and reconfiguring grades in some schools will allow us to address the growing enrolment pressures within the Charles P. Allen Family of Schools (CPA FOS).

There is lots to consider as we finalize these plans – and we want your input!

We invite everyone, including students, staff, families, School Advisory Councils, and community members in the CPA FOS to share feedback on our proposals. This Virtual Town Hall allows you to participate in multiple ways, and more than once.

We know you will have lots of innovative ideas on all kinds of topics – but hold those thoughts! Right now, we're only looking for your thoughts on the following:

- Proposed Pre-Primary to Grade 8 boundary;
- Proposed grade configurations at some schools; and
- The idea of families choosing where they want their child to attend high school (CPA **OR** the new Broad Street school).

Once boundaries and grade configurations are established, you will have opportunities to share your thoughts on *other* topics.

Getting Started

Take some time to review the proposals and information available on our website: hrce.ca/consult. You will find proposed boundary maps, proposed grade configurations and answers to frequently asked questions. You will also find a short video overview of our proposals. **Then, share your thoughts with us!**

We're using an online platform called *ThoughtExchange* to collect your feedback. Think of it as an ongoing conversation among the community. You can contribute ideas and opinions, see what others have offered, and rate the comments. It's available any time, it's accessible, and it's anonymous.

Click [here](#) to begin.

You can also add your voice in the following ways:

- **HRCE webform:** [click here](#)
- **Email:** consult@hrce.ca
- **Phone:** 902-464-2000 ext. 2109
- **Mail:** Broad Street Schools Boundary Consultation
c/o HRCE 33 Spectacle Lake Drive, Dartmouth, NS B3B 1X7

More Information

We know you will have many questions as we work through this process. We'll update our webpage as new information becomes available, and with answers to your questions.

Our Virtual Town Hall is accepting your feedback until January 3, 2023.

Thank you for adding your voice. Your opinions matter!

Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S Gallagher', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Steve Gallagher
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