

HAVE YOUR SAY: Student Enrolment Priorities

Student enrolment priorities determine the order in which students will get into a school when space is limited. The Greater Victoria School District is seeking public input through an online survey about what is important to parents and what is most important when prioritizing how students are accepted when space is limited. The survey is available at www.sd61.bc.ca until Monday, April 10, 2017 at 4 pm.

Long term enrolment projections indicate that the Greater Victoria School District could see an increase of 2,000 students over the next 10 years. Although it is anticipated that Greater Victoria's 47 schools can accommodate the projected increase of overall students, some schools will be challenged to accommodate the demand for catchment students, as well as choice. As certain neighbourhoods grow and demographics change, some schools are experiencing pressures already.

Under the School Act, the School District is required to articulate student enrolment priorities in a policy approved by the Board of Education. A Transfer and Registration Committee made up of staff, parents, and Trustees has been established to review the current priorities, seek public input and make recommendations to the Board in May 2017. The student enrolment priorities determined in this process will apply to kindergarten registration, French Immersion and requests for transfer to a non-catchment school.

The Greater Victoria School District is seeking input from parents as part of a review of the current priorities and the overall registration and transfer process. This does not apply to Programs of Choice at higher grade levels (eg. Flex, Challenge, and sports academies)

It's important the School District hears from you. Thank you in advance for sharing your views!