

# **Secondary French Immersion**

# City of Markham/ Stouffville Area

November 17, 2014

#### **Introductions**

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#### Secondary FI Program

- FI program commenced at Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS in 2002
  - Only location serving City of Markham and portion of Stouffville

Oct. 31, 2014 FI enrolment:

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Total
146	136	92	95	469

- > FI program is projected to continue to grow
- An additional FI secondary program is required due to:
  - Residential development in North Markham and Stouffville
  - Addition of elementary programs
    - ➤ Sir Wilfrid Laurier PS (2007)
    - ➤ Sam Chapman PS (2010)

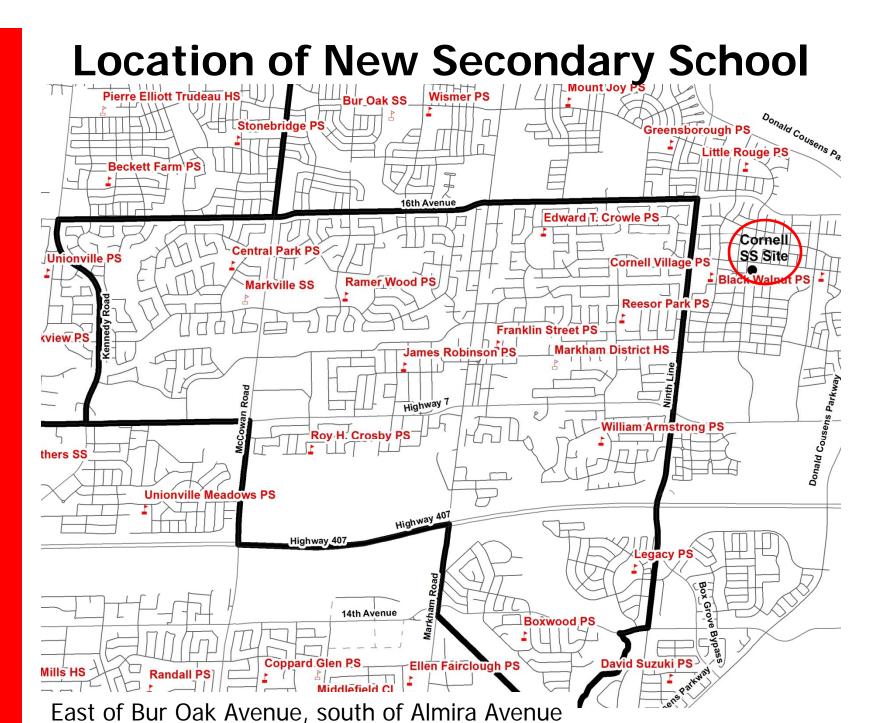
### Evaluation of Secondary School Location for New Program

- ➢ Bill Crothers SS Athletics program
- ➤ Bur Oak SS holding for Cornell area
- ➤ Markham DHS Gifted program
- ➤ Markville SS Gifted program
- Stouffville DHS residential growth
- ➤ Unionville HS Arts program
- ➤ Middlefield CI, Milliken Mills HS located in South Markham
  - Threshold for FI program in South Markham is still small

# Secondary School Location for New Program

 A new secondary school will be opening in the Cornell area (16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Ninth Line) in September 2017

 This new secondary school will serve the local area for regular programming <u>and</u> will serve a portion of FI from Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS



**New Secondary FI Program Proposed Boundary Elementary FI Feeders** Glad Park PS Sir Wilfrid Laurier PS Sam Chapman PS Franklin Street PS Stouffville Road Milliken Mills PS Elliott Trudeau HS 16th Avenue 16th Avenue Cornell SS Site Highway 7 Highway 7 Highway 407 Highway 407 14th Avenue

# Why Use McCowan Road Instead of Elementary Feeders?

- Proximity of students to each secondary school
- Using McCowan Road gives Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS slightly more accommodation relief
- Secondary Gifted program for Markville SS and Markham DHS will also be using McCowan Road

#### Timing and Students Impacted

- Begin the FI program at Unnamed Cornell SS in September 2017
  - New incoming Grade 9 FI students and;
  - Grade 10 FI students from the proposed boundary area (east of McCowan Road)
- Current FI students impacted are:
  - Grade 6's who will be Grade 9 in September 2017
  - Grade 7's who will be Grade 10 in September 2017
    - ➤ Will be required to relocated to Unnamed Cornell SS for FI for grades 10-12

# **Projected Enrolment**

#### **Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS**

**Total Enrolment** 

2085

2019

#### **Unnamed Cornell SS**

1123

2019

228 363 520

FI Enrolment is included in the Total Enrolment column.

<sup>\*</sup>Projections are based on assumptions of current rates of elementary student attendance to secondary schools, and pace of new residential development.

#### **Transfers**

- Transfers are outlined in our Board policy
  108: Attendance Areas and Transfers
- Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS was closed to transfers in 2014-15 for regular programming
- Schools open/closed to transfers is reviewed on an annual basis

### **Transportation**

- Transportation provided as per policy 680
  - ➤ Grades 9 to 12 a secondary school student living in an area served by public transit is not eligible for Board-provided transportation
  - ➤ A secondary student living more than 3.2 kilometres from the nearest secondary school in an area not served by public transit is eligible for Board-provided transportation
- School bus transportation eligibility is reviewed annually as York Region Transit (YRT) adjusts and enhances service

#### **Timelines**

➤ School Councils Nov/Dec 2014

➤ Public Meeting Late Jan/early Feb 2015

Property Management Committee

February 17, 2015

➤ Board Standing Committee (Delegation opportunity)

March 24, 2015

➤ Board Meeting April 7, 2015

Questions?