

YELLOWKNIFE EDUCATION DISTRICT NO. 1

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To all parents:

Re: Update on École J.H. Sissons Replacement School

Education, Culture & Employment (ECE) requested Yellowknife Education District No. 1 (YK1) Board of Trustees provide a recommendation on the site for the proposed replacement school for École J.H. Sissons (JHS). After consultation with stakeholders, YK1 passed the following motion at a Special Board meeting at JHS on Tuesday, February 20, 2018:

"I move the Board of Trustees of Yellowknife Education District No. 1 recommend the replacement school for École J.H. Sissons be built on a different site than the present school site on the present property."

Trustees heard recommendations from parents and ECE for building on the existing site for technical reasons and to protect the surrounding environment and playground. This option would entail removing the existing school and accommodating students in other YK1 schools during construction. Other parents and stakeholders recommend building elsewhere on the property and continue to use the existing school during construction.

The Board of Trustees has asked ECE to conduct a technical study of the property, off the present school site, to determine the viability of an option for the new replacement school. We have asked for timelines and next steps from ECE, but have not received this information yet. When the information is received, we will share it with our stakeholders. What YK1 has been told is the project would probably be delayed, but we are unsure of how long.

Sincerely,

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