



# Latimer Road Elementary

## Montessori Program Options 2024-2025

Public Consultation

Sept 26 – Latimer Road Elementary

Sept 28 - Virtual

# Territorial Land Acknowledgement







# Setting the Stage

## The Consultation, Your Feedback

- Welcome
- Thank you for taking the time this evening
- What is a consultation?
- Your voice and feedback matters; we want to hear from you; process for a small group
  - What factors might the district want to consider?
  - What are the strengths and challenges of each option?
  - What would you like us to know?
  - We want to hear from you.

## Introductions

- Who is here with us tonight

# Agenda

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Introduction and Context

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Guiding Principles, Board Policy

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Enrolment Statistics

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Proposed Options; We want to hear from you

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Important Dates, Gathering the Feedback

Latimer Road Elementary is over capacity and enrolment will continue to grow as development increases around the future Skytrain line. To create capacity in Latimer Road, the District needs to consider options for the future of the Montessori Choice Program.

# Guiding Principles

1. Follow Board Policy
2. Minimize disruption to students
3. Long-term sustainability
4. Students having access to their neighborhood school

# Board Policy

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## **SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 36 (SURREY)**

**No. 9320**

### **POLICY: REGISTRATION AND PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS**

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The Board values the “neighbourhood school” (defined as the school catchment area) and strives to maintain the integrity of student placement in neighbourhood schools.

At the same time, the district reserves the right to restrict and redirect student placement in a manner which limits inefficiencies in the use of space, resources and educational programs.

Students may seek to attend a school outside their catchment area under the conditions outlined in the Regulations and subject to district limitations on capacity.



## **POLICY #9200 SCHOOL CATCHMENT AREAS**

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It is the responsibility of the secretary-treasurer to ensure that school catchment areas are established for neighbourhood schools.

The following principles should apply when establishing catchment areas:

1. Boundaries are created to regulate enrolment at schools to maximize the cost-effective use of the space.
2. Boundaries are determined such that enrolment in any school is optimized.
3. Boundaries are established to minimize the amount of bussing required.
4. Boundaries are created in the interest of student safety using arterial roads and natural boundaries to form catchment areas whenever possible.
5. Boundaries should be created that minimize the need for capital funds.

School catchment boundaries for district and community-initiated programs (programs of choice) will be considered district-wide and not site specific. Programs of choice will be offered only in space surplus to the needs of the neighbourhood school program or in space leased for a specific program need.

# Latimer Road Elementary is Growing

# Enrolment and Statistics

## Schools with Montessori Program:

Douglas Elementary  
 Latimer Road Elementary  
 Mountainview Elementary  
 (Montessori school only)

| Program                          | Sep 2018 | Sep 2019 | Sep 2020 | Sep 2021 | Sep 2022 | Sep 7 2023 |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|
| Montessori Program (All Schools) | 590      | 551      | 517      | 515      | 530      | 530        |

| School                    | Operating Capacity | Portables 2023-2024 | Current Regular Program Enrolment | Current Montessori Program Enrolment | Current Enrolment Total |
|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Latimer Elementary School | 481                | 6                   | 522                               | 113                                  | 635                     |

| Latimer Elementary School | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | 2031 | 2032 | 2033 |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Enrolment Projections     | 653  | 669  | 686  | 697  | 709  | 721  | 727  | 733  | 740  | 746  |
| Utilization Rate          | 136% | 139% | 143% | 145% | 147% | 150% | 151% | 152% | 154% | 155% |

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| Latimer Elementary School | 481                | 6                   | 522                               | 113                                  | 635                     |
| Mountainview Montessori   | 411                | 0                   | 0                                 | 309                                  | 309                     |
| Douglas Elementary        | 607                | 0                   | 390                               | 114                                  | 504                     |

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|                           |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Mountainview Montessori   | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | 2031 | 2032 | 2033 |
| Enrolment Projections     | 292  | 295  | 293  | 296  | 302  | 298  | 300  | 300  | 300  | 300  |
| Utilization Rate          | 71%  | 72%  | 71%  | 72%  | 73%  | 73%  | 73%  | 73%  | 73%  | 73%  |
|                           |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Douglas Elementary        | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | 2031 | 2032 | 2033 |
| Enrolment Projections     | 543  | 565  | 578  | 584  | 589  | 594  | 593  | 594  | 591  | 591  |
| Utilization Rate          | 89%  | 93%  | 95%  | 96%  | 97%  | 98%  | 98%  | 98%  | 97%  | 97%  |





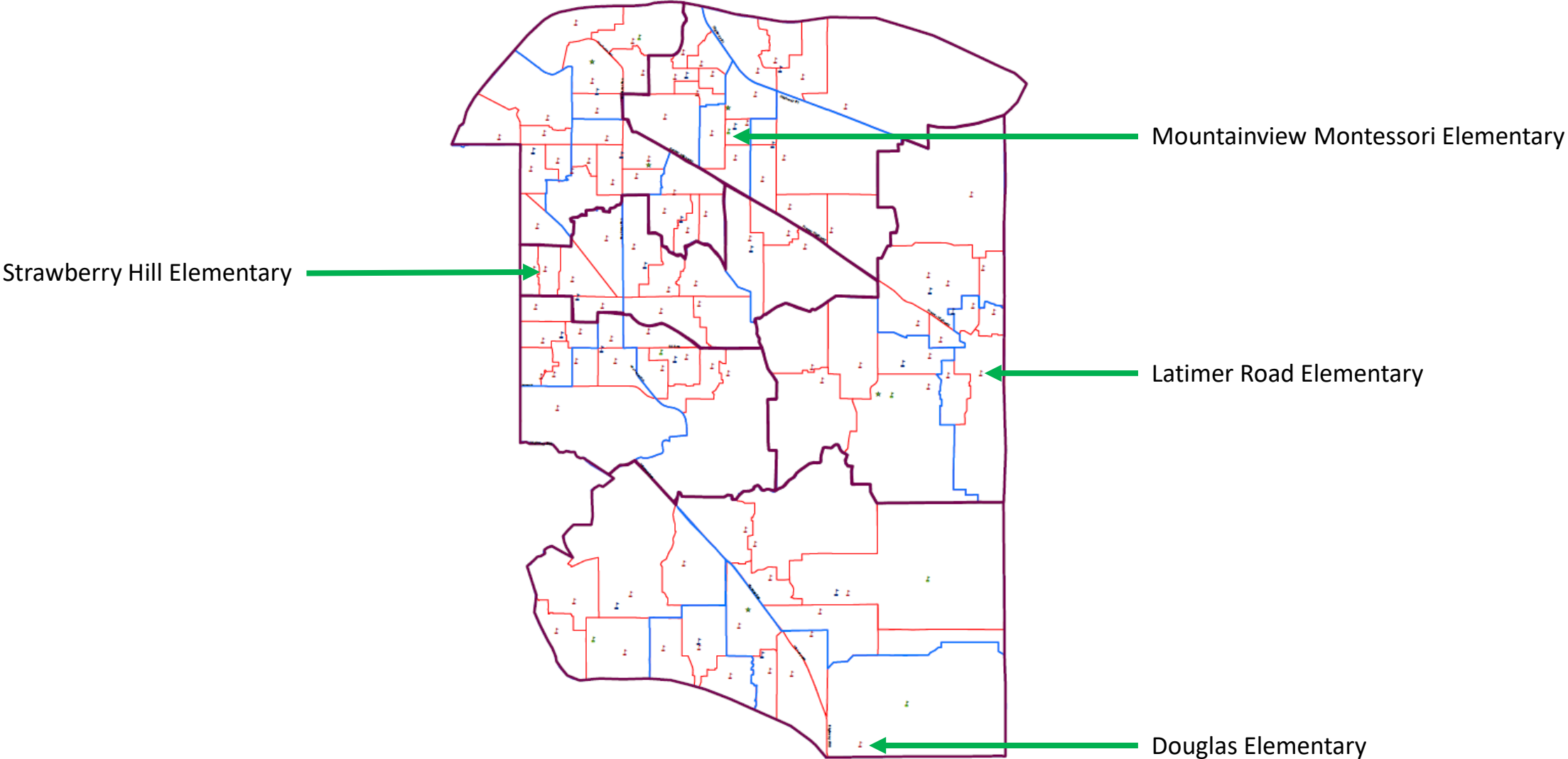
# Program Change Options

**Option 1:** *Move the Montessori Program from Latimer Road to Strawberry Hill beginning in September 2024. The program would be dependent on sufficient enrolment.*

**Option 2 (Recommended):** *Students currently in the Montessori Program at Latimer Road finish the program there. New Kindergarten requests enter the lottery process for the Montessori Program at Douglas Elementary or Mountainview Montessori. Expand the Montessori program at Mountainview Montessori.*

**Option 3:** *Offer a new Montessori program for children in Kindergarten at Strawberry Hill. The program would be dependent on sufficient enrolment. Students currently in the program finish the program at Latimer Road.*

# School Locations



# Program Change - Option 1

**Montessori Program moves to Strawberry Hill Elementary**

# Option 1: Montessori moves to Strawberry Hill

## Enrolment and Projections

| SCHOOL                                      | Enrolment      |                   |                   | Portable       |                   |                   |
|---|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | ACTUAL<br>2022 | PROJECTED<br>2024 | PROJECTED<br>2026 | ACTUAL<br>2022 | PROJECTED<br>2024 | PROJECTED<br>2026 |
| <b>LATIMER ROAD</b><br>Opr Capacity: 481    | 572            | 543               | 576               | 6              | 3                 | 4                 |
| <b>STRAWBERRY HILL</b><br>Opr Capacity: 644 | 416            | 506               | 491               | 0              | 0                 | 0                 |

- Majority of the schools are over capacity and finding empty spaces is a challenge in the District.
- Strawberry Hill Elementary was chosen because it has seven empty classrooms.

# Program Change (Recommended) - Option 2

**New Kindergarten requests enter the lottery at Douglas Elementary or Mountainview Montessori**  
**Current Students in Grades K to 7 finish at Latimer Road Elementary**  
**Expand the Montessori program at Mountainview**



## Option 2 (Recommended): Kindergarten requests enter the lottery at Douglas or Mountainview.

Enrolment and Projections

| SCHOOL                                   | Enrolment   |                |                | Portable    |                |                |
|--|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
|  | ACTUAL 2022 | PROJECTED 2024 | PROJECTED 2026 | ACTUAL 2022 | PROJECTED 2024 | PROJECTED 2026 |
| <b>LATIMER ROAD</b><br>Opr Capacity: 481 | 572         | 633            | 626            | 6           | 7              | 6              |
| <b>Douglas</b><br>Opr Capacity: 607      | 500         | 543            | 578            | 0           | 0              | 0              |
| <b>Mountainview</b><br>Opr Capacity: 411 | 289         | 332            | 370            | 0           | 0              | 0              |

- All students currently in the program can finish the program at Latimer
- New K registrations will enter the lottery for Douglas and Mountainview
- Expand the Montessori program at Mountainview to increase enrolment

# Program Change - Option 3

**New Kindergarten requests move to Strawberry Hill Elementary  
Current Students in Grades K to 7 finish at Latimer Road Elementary**

# Option 3: Option 3: New program begins at Strawberry Hill Elementary; beginning with Kindergarten

Enrolment and Projections

| SCHOOL                                      | Enrolment      |                   |                   | Portable       |                   |                   |
|---|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | ACTUAL<br>2022 | PROJECTED<br>2024 | PROJECTED<br>2026 | ACTUAL<br>2022 | PROJECTED<br>2024 | PROJECTED<br>2026 |
| <b>LATIMER ROAD</b><br>Opr Capacity: 481    | 572            | 633               | 626               | 6              | 7                 | 6                 |
| <b>STRAWBERRY HILL</b><br>Opr Capacity: 644 | 416            | 442               | 461               | 0              | 0                 | 0                 |

- A new division of Kindergarten will be needed in Strawberry Hill Elementary starting in September 2024
- New divisions added in subsequent years

# Discussion (Time for pause if we haven't done so already)

What is top of mind for you right now? Any initial thoughts?

Discussion? Feedback? Questions?

*We will be taking notes.*

Option One: Strengths and Challenges

Option Two: Strengths and Challenges

Option Three: Strengths and Challenges

Other considerations we need to consider?

More....

Many opportunities and options to provide more feedback after we go away tonight

FAQ page

Dedicated website (Planning and Demographics)

Keep in communication with your school Principal and Vice Principal if questions arise

# Continuing to Collect Your Feedback (Sept. 28-Oct. 27)





## Public Feedback Options

- Online Survey
- Paper feedback form
  - In Information Packages
  - We have extra paper forms for you here tonight
- Latimer Consultations
- Dedicated email address
  - [consultlatimer@surreyschools.ca](mailto:consultlatimer@surreyschools.ca)
- Traditional mail
  - Latimer Road Elementary Montessori Program Consultation  
School District No. 36 (Surrey)  
14033 92nd Avenue, Surrey, B.C. V3V 0B7



## Important Dates:



- Sep 28 Online Survey opens
- Oct 27 Consultation Feedback closes
- Dec 13 Public Board Meeting Report



Thank you.

Your voice  
matters.