

December 4, 2020

UPDATE RE: NEW GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS SECONDARY SCHOOL CATCHMENT

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are pleased to welcome you to Grandview Heights Secondary School catchment. As you likely already know, Grandview Heights Secondary (16987 25th Ave.) construction is well underway and the school will be ready to welcome Grades 8 – 11 students in September 2021.

The following elementary feeder schools currently make up the Grandview Heights catchment: East Kensington, Edgewood, Morgan, Pacific Heights, Rosemary Heights and Sunnyside Elementary. For questions related to the boundary changes and other frequently asked questions, please click <u>here</u>.

You are receiving this letter because your current address is in the new Grandview Heights Secondary catchment. All catchment students entering grades 8 – 11 in September 2021 will be enrolled at Grandview Heights.

There are some exceptions where students may remain at their current secondary schools. These are:

- 1. Students enrolled in the Earl Marriot French Immersion or Hockey Academy
- 2. Students who apply and are accepted in the Semiahmoo Grade 11 IB program
- 3. Siblings of students who will be in their grade 12 year in September 2021, will have the option of attending Grandview Heights or remain with their older sibling, as per policy.
- 4. Students who were part of the Pacific Heights cohorts currently attending Elgin Park. These students will have the option to attend Grandview Heights, or will have the option to stay at Elgin Park. Please note: NO BUSSING will be provided for these students.

If your child(ren) fit into one of these 4 exceptions, and you would like to **remain** at your current school for Sept. 2021, please indicate by reply email to your current school by Wednesday, January 6th, 2021:

Name:	Grade:	Student #:
I would like to remain at		
I qualify in category: #1, #2	_, #3,	
or #4 (name of sibling)	

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All other families requesting a cross boundary should do so by normal school district policy process, and submit the out-of-catchment form to their **requested school** between January 11th and January 29th, <u>District Out-of-Catchment form</u>. All applications will be date stamped and be processed according to District policy #9300 for cross-boundary requests.

Your new school principal, Mr. Bedard continues to be busy behind the scenes getting the school ready for opening and has asked me to share the following communication links with you:

- Website: <u>https://www.surreyschools.ca/schools/grandviewheights/Pages/default.aspx</u> Please make sure you sign up for newsletters here.
- Email the school at: Grandview@surreyschools.ca or phone the school at 604-542-3320
- Follow Grandview at :
 - Twitter @Grandview36
 - Instagram: grandview36

Mr. Bedard looks forward to meeting you and will regularly update you with information prior to the school opening in September. He has also created a Grandview Heights Parent Transition Committee and meets regularly with parent representatives from Earl Marriot, Semiahmoo, Elgin Park and all elementary feeder schools.

We do understand that changing schools can bring a variety of questions so we encourage you to read the FAQ link provided in this letter, or contact your current school by email with student specific questions.

We look forward to seeing you at Grandview in the near future!

Sincerely,

Lynda Reeve Assistant Superintendent Surrey Schools

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