

West Galt

Elementary Schools Pupil
Accommodation Review

**Accommodation Review
Committee (ARC)**

Meeting #10

April 10, 2012

St. Andrew's P.S. Library

5:30 – 7:30 pm



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Agenda

1. Welcome
2. ARC Meeting #9 – Draft Minutes Approval
3. Public Meeting #3
 - Comments/Feedback
4. Draft Report and Recommendations
5. Public Meeting #4
 - What is presented?
 - Format
6. Future Meeting Dates
7. Roundtable/Wrap-up



66 people attended

Public Meeting # 3

Summary of comments received (themes)

RE: Dickson P.S.

- Don't close Dickson P.S.
- Concern over splitting up Dickson P.S. students between 4 schools
- Close knit school that needs to stay that way

RE: Beechwood Rd School

- Concern over size of the school
- Concern about traffic implications around the site

RE: Highland P.S.

- Support for adding Grade 6 classes in first phase

RE: St. Andrew's P.S.

- Landmark school
- All schools should start at St. Andrew's at same grade (gr. 7)

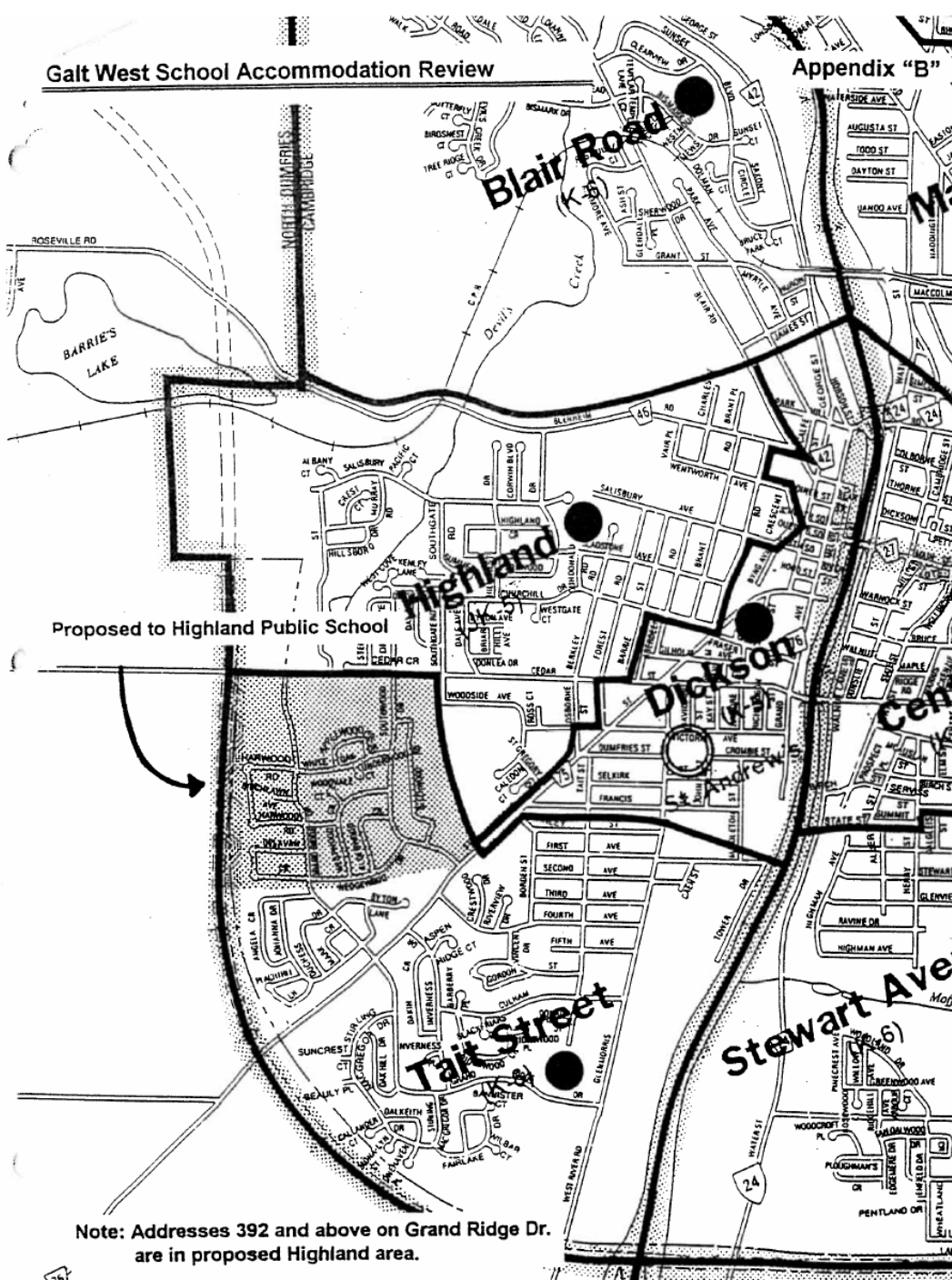
General

- Hard to hear during Q & A because children running around room
- Hope changes happen sooner rather than later
- What are the benefits to the students by the changes?



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1995 Highland/Tait Street Boundary Change



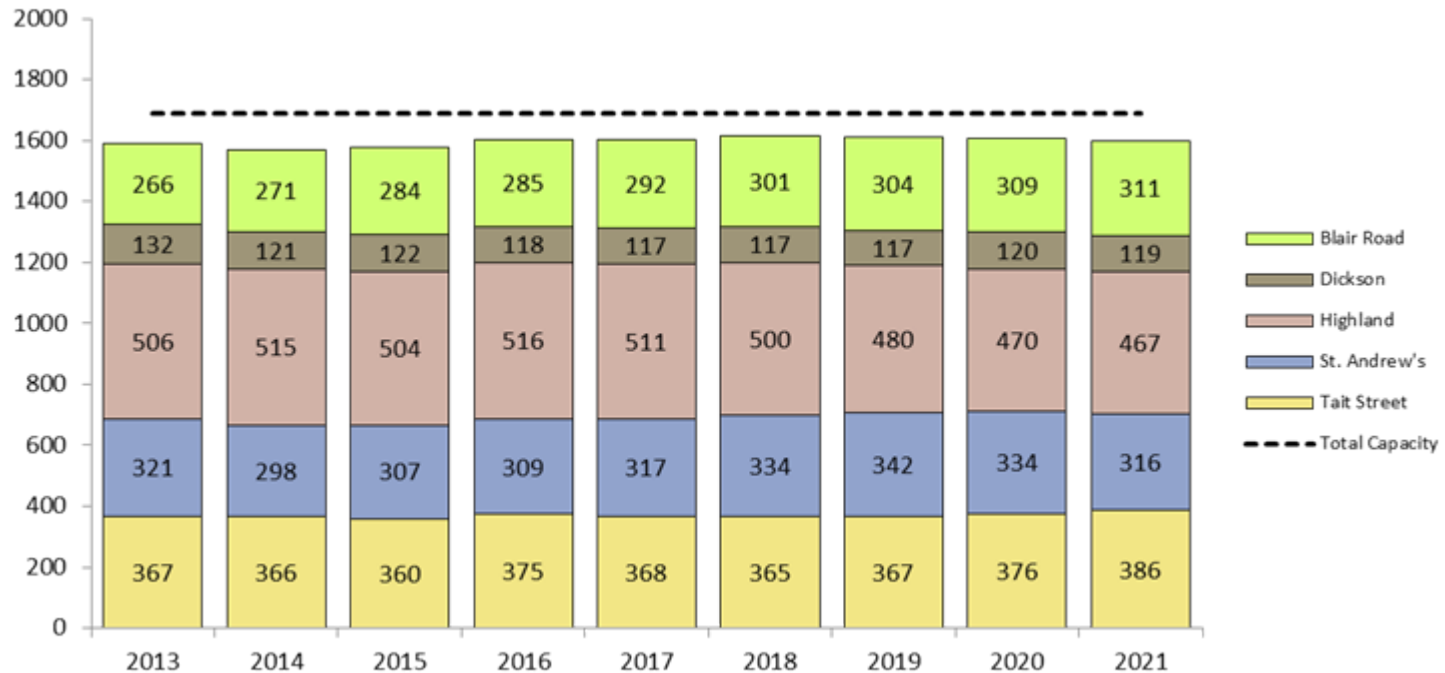
Note: Addresses 392 and above on Grand Ridge Dr. are in proposed Highland area.

Highland/Dickson as JK-6 (Scenario 21)

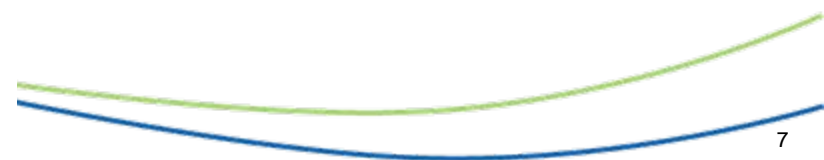
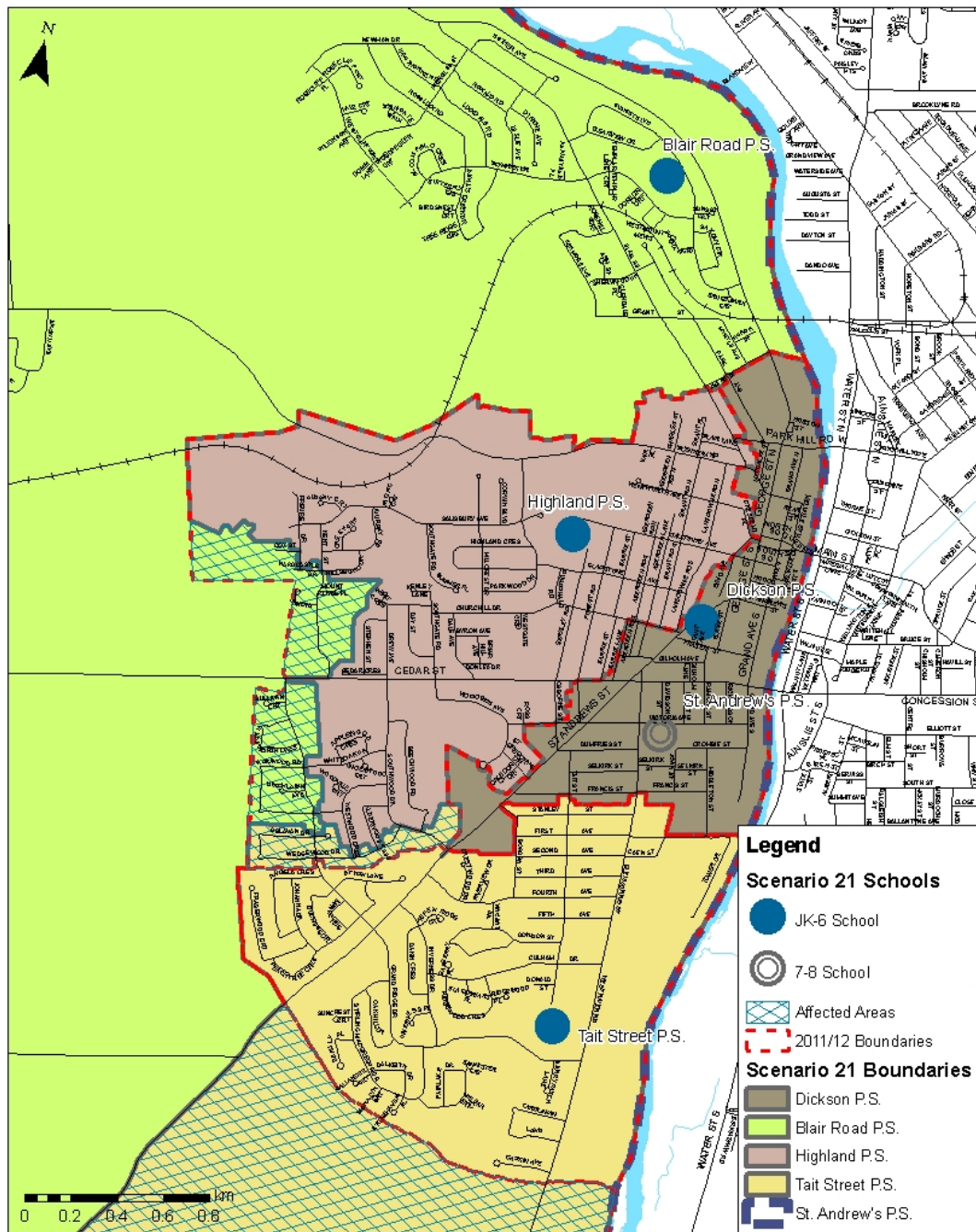
| School | OTG Capacity | Grades | 2013 | % capacity | 2015 | % capacity | 2017 | % capacity | 2019 | % capacity | 2021 | % capacity |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Blair Road PS | 294 | JK-6 | 266 | 90% | 284 | 97% | 292 | 99% | 304 | 103% | 311 | 106% |
| Dickson PS | 161 | JK-6 | 132 | 82% | 122 | 76% | 117 | 73% | 117 | 73% | 119 | 74% |
| Highland PS | 464 | JK-6 | 506 | 109% | 504 | 109% | 511 | 110% | 480 | 103% | 467 | 101% |
| St. Andrew's PS | 424 | 7-8 | 321 | 76% | 307 | 72% | 317 | 75% | 342 | 81% | 316 | 75% |
| Tait Street PS | 348 | JK-6 | 367 | 105% | 360 | 103% | 368 | 106% | 367 | 105% | 386 | 111% |
| TOTAL | 1691 | | 1592 | 94% | 1577 | 93% | 1605 | 95% | 1610 | 95% | 1599 | 95% |



Highland/Dickson as JK-6 (Scenario 21)



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Draft Report and Recommendations

Timing:

- Implementation Dates?

- Phase 1: 2013? Scenario 16, 20 or 21
- Phase 2: 2017? Scenario 14

Grandparenting options:

- Minimize impact on Dickson P.S. students
 - Existing students given option to choose which school to attend (minimize split from friends)
 - Alternatively, new boundary for new school
- Implications on students transitioning to St. Andrew's (Grade 5s and 6s)
- Implications on students enrolled in FDK



Draft Recommendation: Blair Road/Dickson/Highland/Tait Street Public Schools boundary change

The West Galt ARC recommends to the WRDSB that:

The Tait Street Public School Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 boundary be modified to include portions of the Blair Road, Dickson and Highland Public School boundaries, illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2013; and that

Students enrolled at Highland P.S. during the 2012/13 school year and entering Grade 5 in September 2013 in the affected area be given the option to enrol at either Highland P.S. or Tait Street P.S. for the 2013/14 school year and St. Andrew's P.S. or Tait Street P.S. for the 2014/15 school year; and that

Transportation be extended to those Grade 5 students choosing to attend Highland P.S. for the 2013/14 school year based on transportation eligibility; and that

Transportation be extended to those Grade 6 students choosing to attend St. Andrew's P.S. for the 2014/15 school year based on transportation eligibility; and that

Students enrolled at Blair Road P.S. during the 2012/13 school year and entering Grade 6 in September 2013 in the affected area be given the option to enrol at either Blair Road P.S. or Tait Street P.S. for the 2013/14 school year; and that

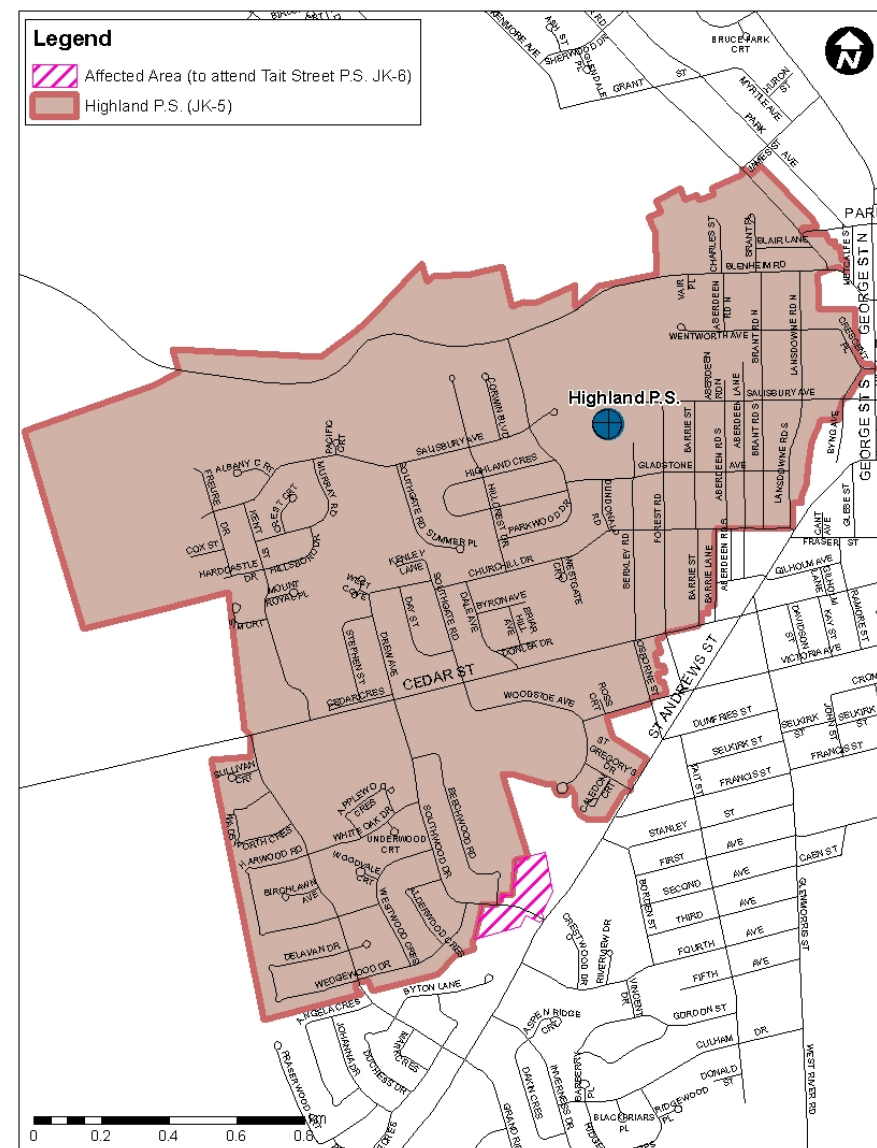
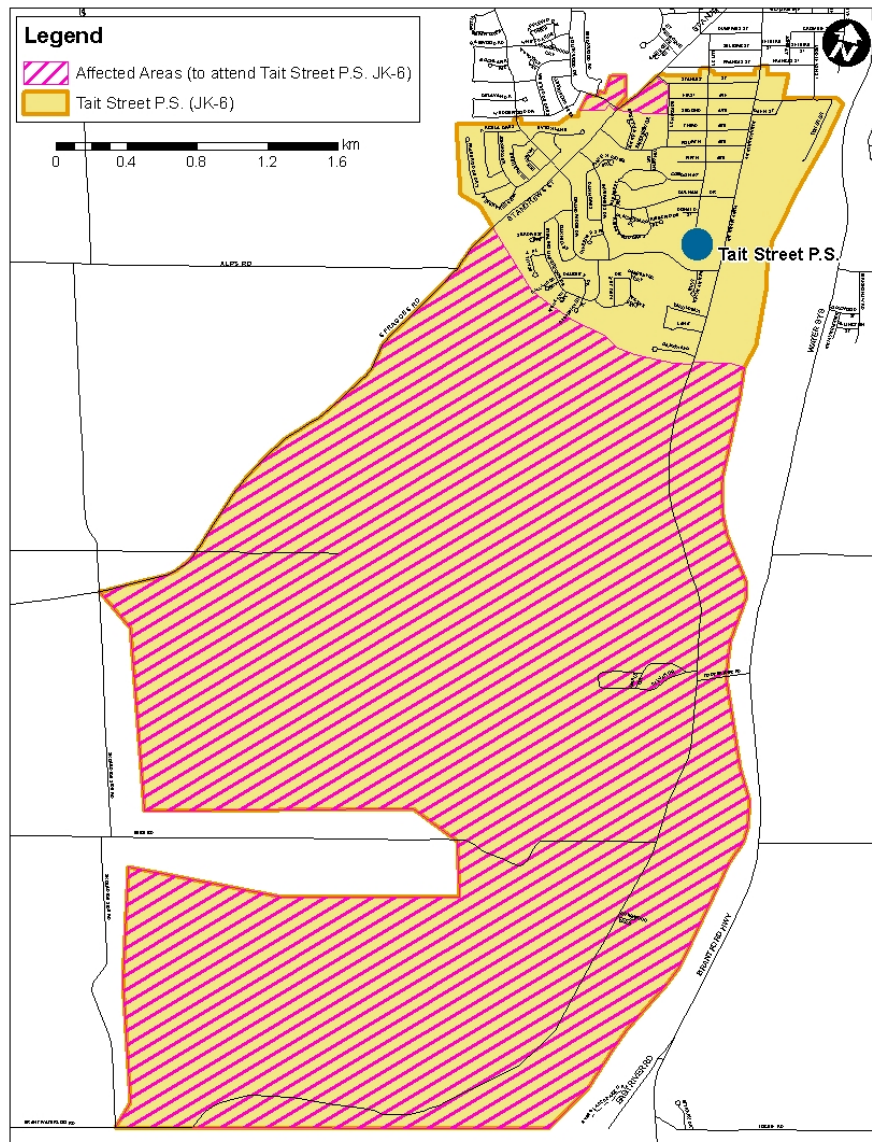
Transportation be extended to those Grade 6 students choosing to attend Blair Road P.S. for the 2013/14 school year based on transportation eligibility.



Table x: Projected enrolment at with boundary changes

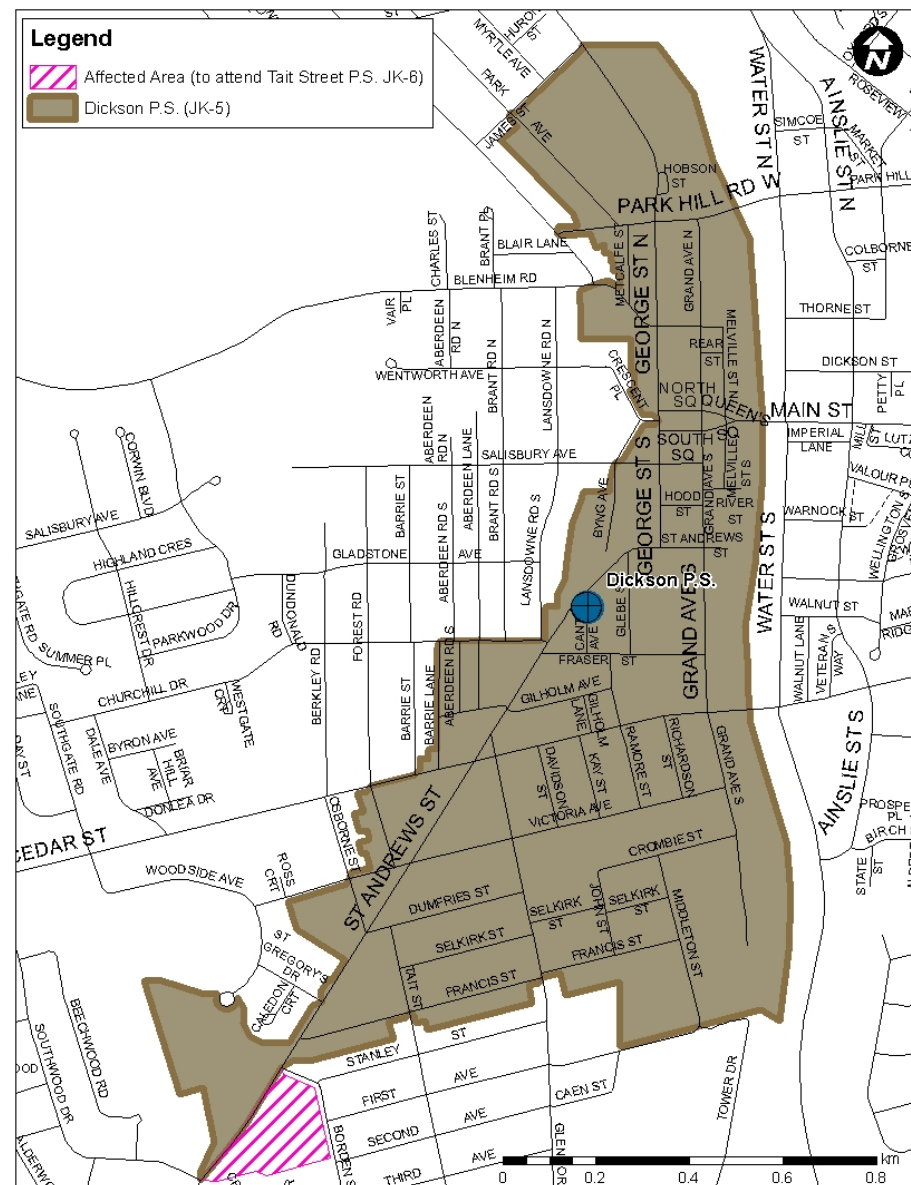
| Year | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Tait Street P.S. | 360 | 360 | 356 | 372 | 367 | 364 | 366 | 375 | 385 |
| Blair Road P.S. | 226 | 229 | 239 | 242 | 243 | 242 | 241 | 239 | 238 |
| Dickson P.S. | 109 | 108 | 105 | 103 | 102 | 102 | 106 | 107 | 104 |
| Highland P.S. | 492 | 485 | 484 | 490 | 490 | 472 | 468 | 466 | 469 |

Scenario 16



Legend

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- Legend**
- Affected Area (to attend Tait Street P.S. JK-6)
 - Blair Road P.S. (JK-6)
- Map showing the location of Blair Road P.S. (JK-6) and the Affected Area (to attend Tait Street P.S. JK-6). The map includes a legend, a scale bar (0 to 2 km), and a north arrow. The affected area is shaded in pink with diagonal lines, and the Blair Road P.S. area is shaded in green. The map shows the following streets: Kings Rd, Dumfries Rd, Greenfield Rd, Spragues Rd, Waterloo Rd, Beke Rd, West River Rd, River Rd, Brantford Hwy, Water St N, George St N, Coronation Blvd, and Bishop St. The Blair Road P.S. is located near the intersection of Blair Rd and George St N.



Draft Recommendation: St. Andrew's Public School Boundary Change

The West Galt ARC recommends to the WRDSB that:

The St. Andrew's Public School Grade 6 boundary be modified to exclude the portions of the Highland and Dickson Public School boundaries affected by the Tait Street Public School boundary change, illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2013; and that

Students enrolled at Highland P.S. or Dickson P.S. during the 2012/13 school year and entering Grade 6 in September 2013 in the affected area be given the option to enrol at either St. Andrew's P.S. or Tait Street P.S. for the 2013/14 school year; and that

Transportation be extended to those Grade 6 students choosing to attend St. Andrew's P.S. for the 2013/14 school year based on transportation eligibility.



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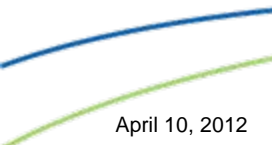


Table x: Projected enrolment at St. Andrew's P.S. with boundary change

| Year | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| St. Andrew's P.S. | 405 | 389 | 393 | 396 | 403 | 437 | 429 | 422 | 403 |



Draft Recommendation: Blair Road/Highland/Tait Street Public School boundary changes

The West Galt ARC recommends to the WRDSB that:

The Blair Road P.S. boundary be modified to include a portion of the Highland P.S. boundary, illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2013; and that

Students entering Grade 5 in September 2013 in the affected area be given the option to enrol at either Highland P.S. or Blair Road P.S. for the 2013/14 school year; and that

Transportation be extended to those Grade 5 students choosing to attend Highland P.S. for the 2013/14 school year based on transportation eligibility; and that

The Tait Street Public School Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 boundary be modified to include portions of the Blair Road and Highland Public School boundaries, illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2013; and that

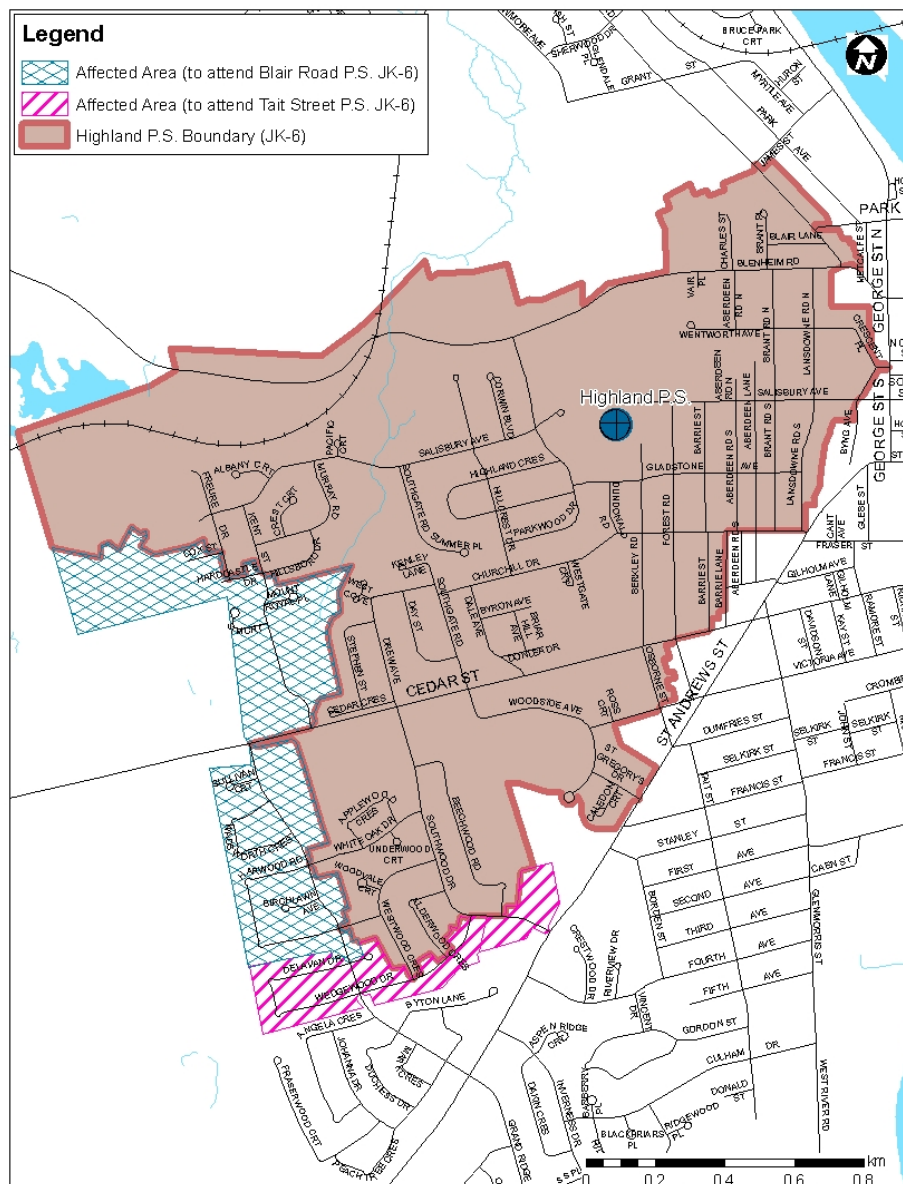
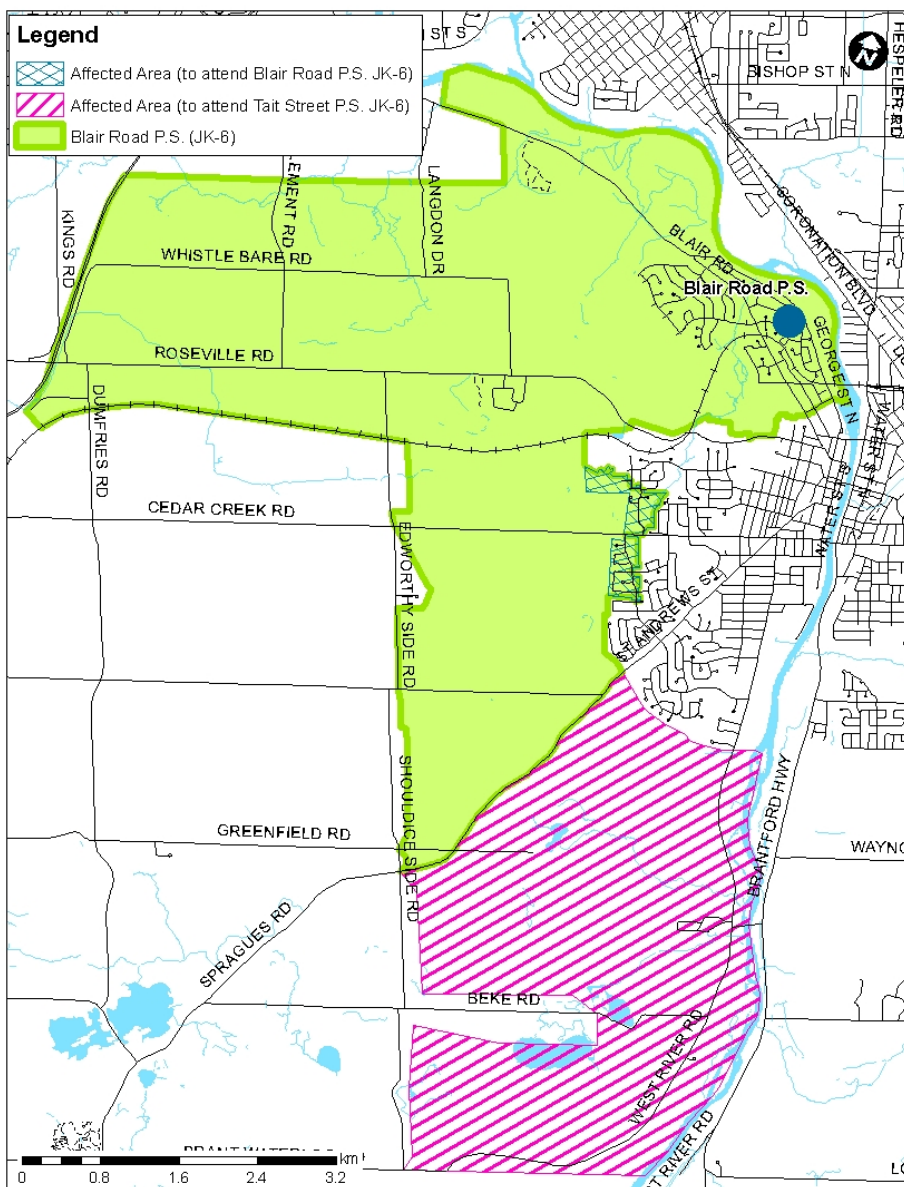
Students enrolled at Highland P.S. during the 2012/13 school year and entering Grade 5 in September 2013 in the affected area be given the option to enrol at either Highland P.S. or Tait Street P.S. for the 2013/14 school year and St. Andrew's P.S. or Tait Street P.S. for the 2014/15 school year; and that



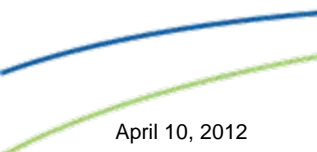
Table x: Projected enrolment with boundary changes

| Year | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Blair Road P.S. | 266 | 271 | 284 | 285 | 292 | 301 | 304 | 309 | 311 |
| Highland P.S. | 452 | 445 | 447 | 451 | 447 | 442 | 412 | 403 | 404 |
| Tait Street P.S. | 367 | 366 | 360 | 375 | 368 | 365 | 367 | 376 | 386 |

Scenario 20



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Draft Recommendation: St. Andrew's Public School boundary change

The West Galt ARC recommends to the WRDSB that:

The St. Andrew's Public School Grade 6 boundary be modified to exclude the portions of the Highland Public School boundary affected by the Blair Road Tait Street Public School boundary changes, illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2013; and that

Students enrolled at Highland P.S. during the 2012/13 school year and entering Grade 6 in September 2013 in the affected area be given the option to enroll at either St. Andrew's P.S., Blair Road P.S. or Tait Street P.S. for the 2013/14 school year; and that

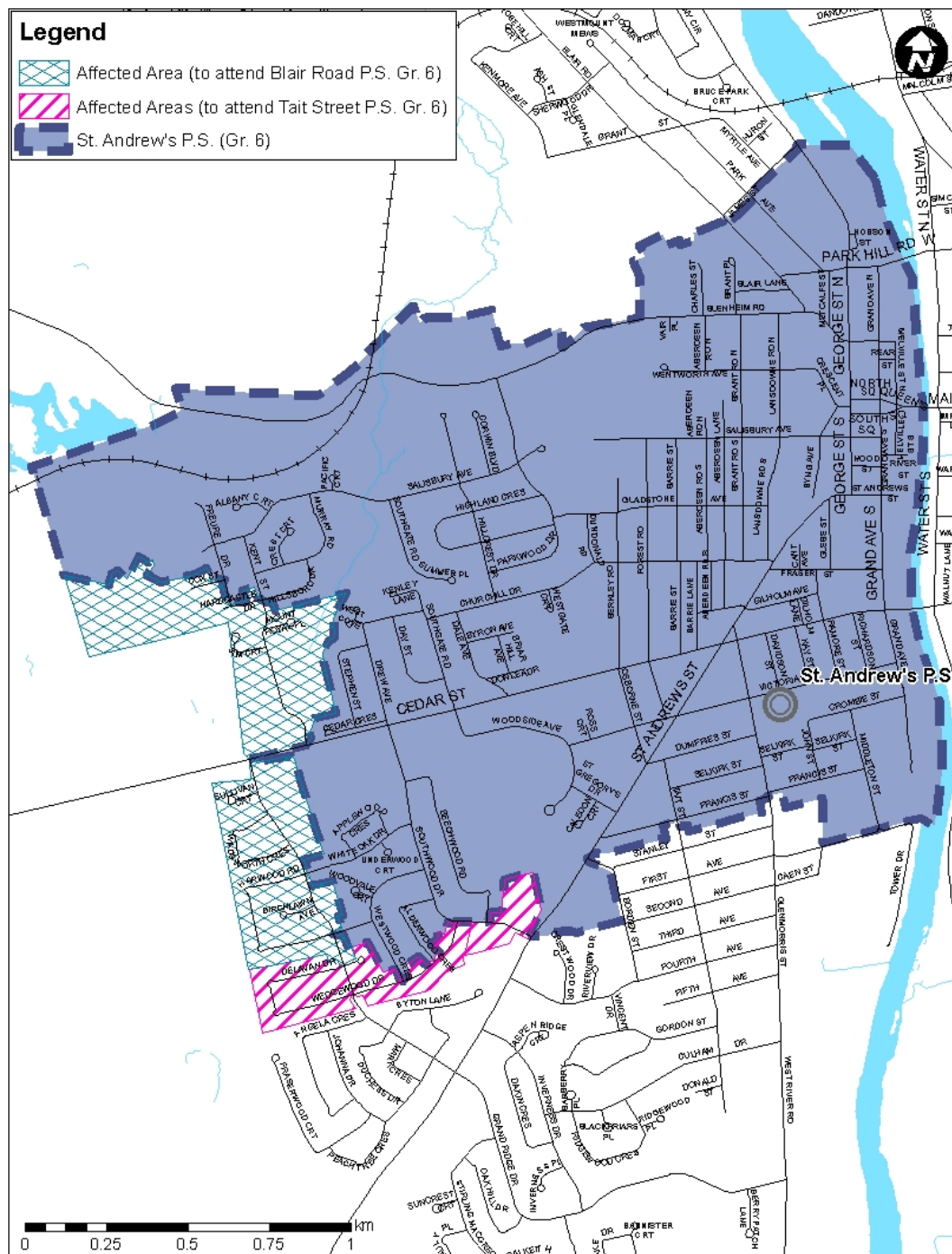
Transportation be extended to those Grade 6 students choosing to attend St. Andrew's P.S. for the 2013/14 school year based on transportation eligibility.



Table x: Projected enrolment at St. Andrew's P.S. with boundary change

| Year | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| St. Andrew's P.S. | 398 | 381 | 381 | 389 | 396 | 427 | 421 | 414 | 394 |





Draft Recommendation: A New Junior Kindergarten to Grade Eight Facility

The West Galt ARC recommends to the WRDSB that:

A new Junior Kindergarten to Grade Eight (JK-8) facility to be constructed on Beechwood Road, Cambridge, to open no earlier than September 2017; and that

The Junior Kindergarten to Grade Six (JK-6) boundary for the new JK-8 facility include portions of the Dickson, Highland and Tait Street Public School boundaries, as illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2017; and that

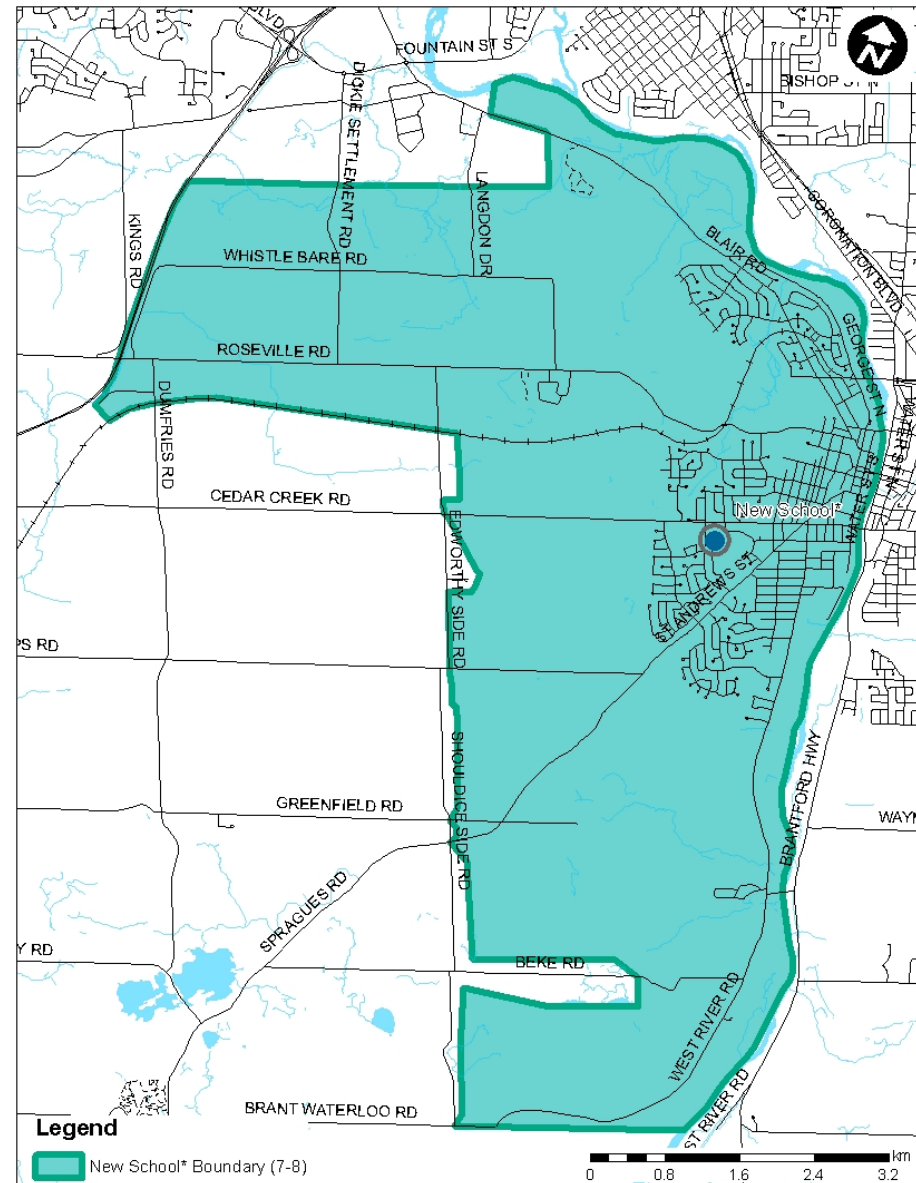
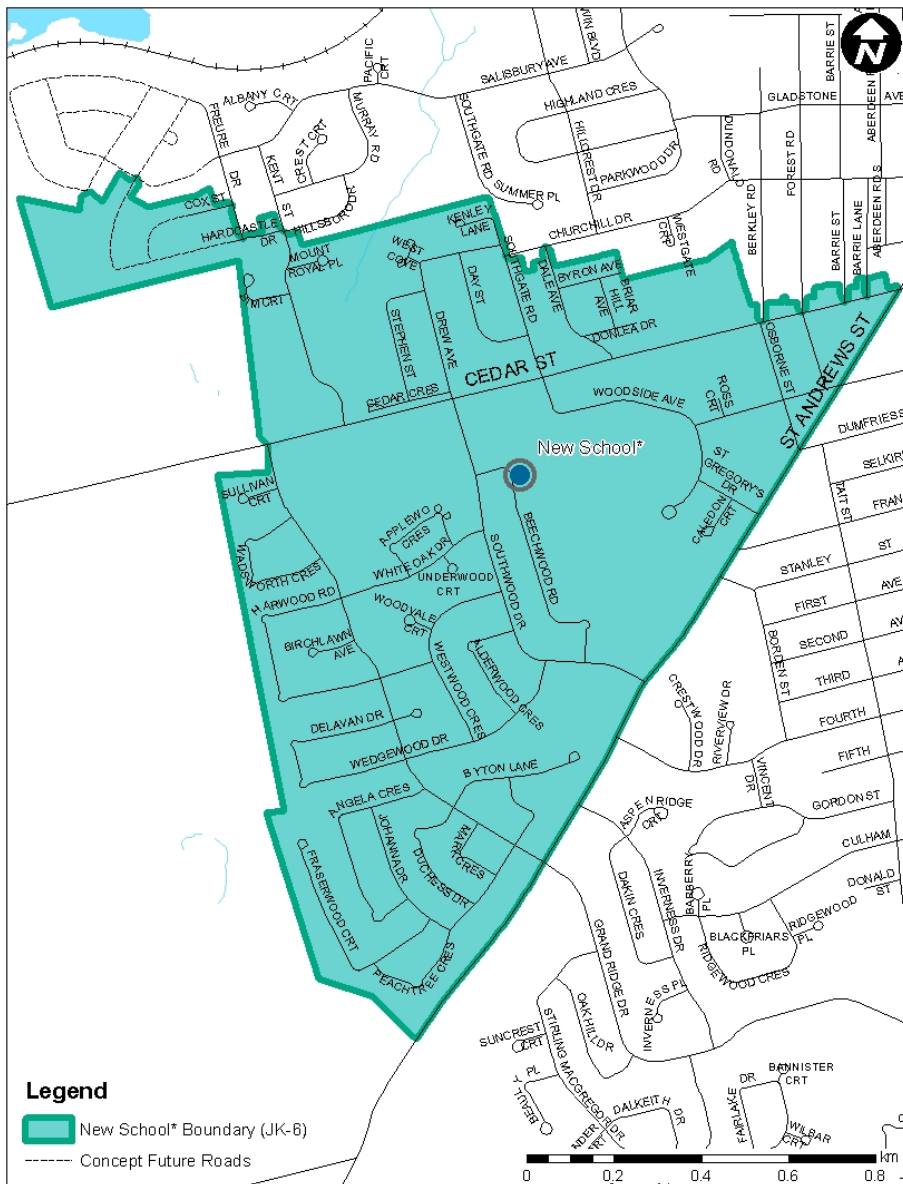
The Grade 7 and Grade 8 (7-8) boundary for the new JK-8 facility, as illustrated in Figure X, include the Blair Road, Highland, Tait Street Public School boundaries as well as the boundary for the new school, removing students from St. Andrew's Public School, effective September 2017 for Grade 7 and September 2018 for Grade 7 and Grade 8.



Table x: Projected enrolment at the new school

| Year | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| New School JK-6 | 313 | 320 | 312 | 310 | 303 |
| New School 7-8 | 317 | 334 | 342 | 334 | 316 |
| New School Total | 630 | 654 | 654 | 644 | 619 |

Scenario 14



Draft Recommendation: Dickson Public School Closure and boundary changes

The West Galt ARC recommends to the WRDSB that:

Dickson Public School be closed and that the JK-5 program be consolidated into Blair Road, Highland, Tait Street and a new school, effective August 2017; and that

Only Grade 4 and 5 Students - Students enrolled at Dickson P.S. in the 2016/2017 school year be given the option to enrol at either Blair Road, Highland, or Tait Street Public Schools, or at the new school for SK-6; and that

Transportation be extended to those 2016/2017 JK-5 Dickson P.S. students to the school of their choosing based on transportation eligibility until June 2024; and that

All new registrants (e.g. families new to the area and children entering school for the first time from families currently living in the area) within the former Dickson P.S. boundary, attend the new designated home school; and that

The Blair Road Public School Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 boundary be modified as illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2017; and that

Students enrolled at Blair Road P.S. during the 2016/17 school year and entering Grade 6 in September 2017 in the affected area be given the option to enrol at either Blair Road P.S. or Tait Street P.S. for the 2017/18 school year; and that

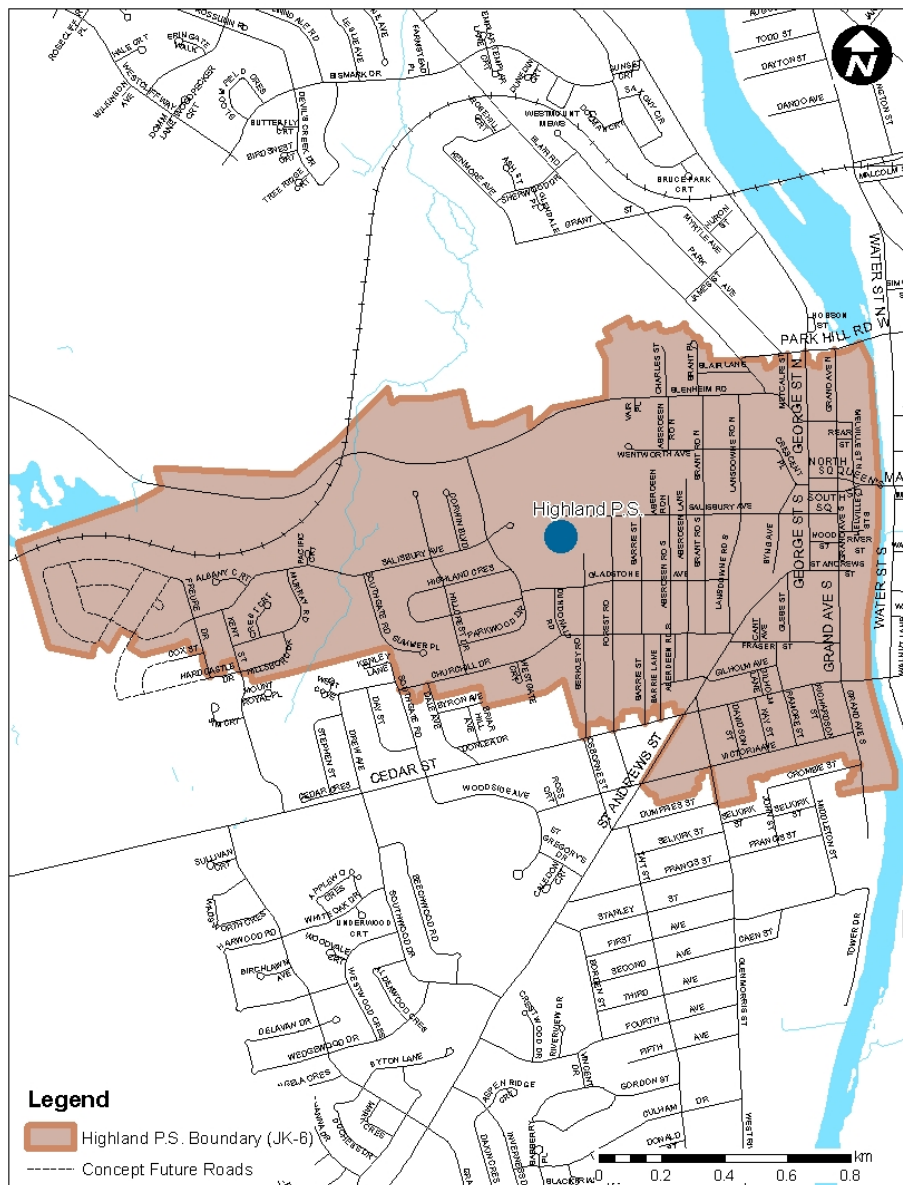
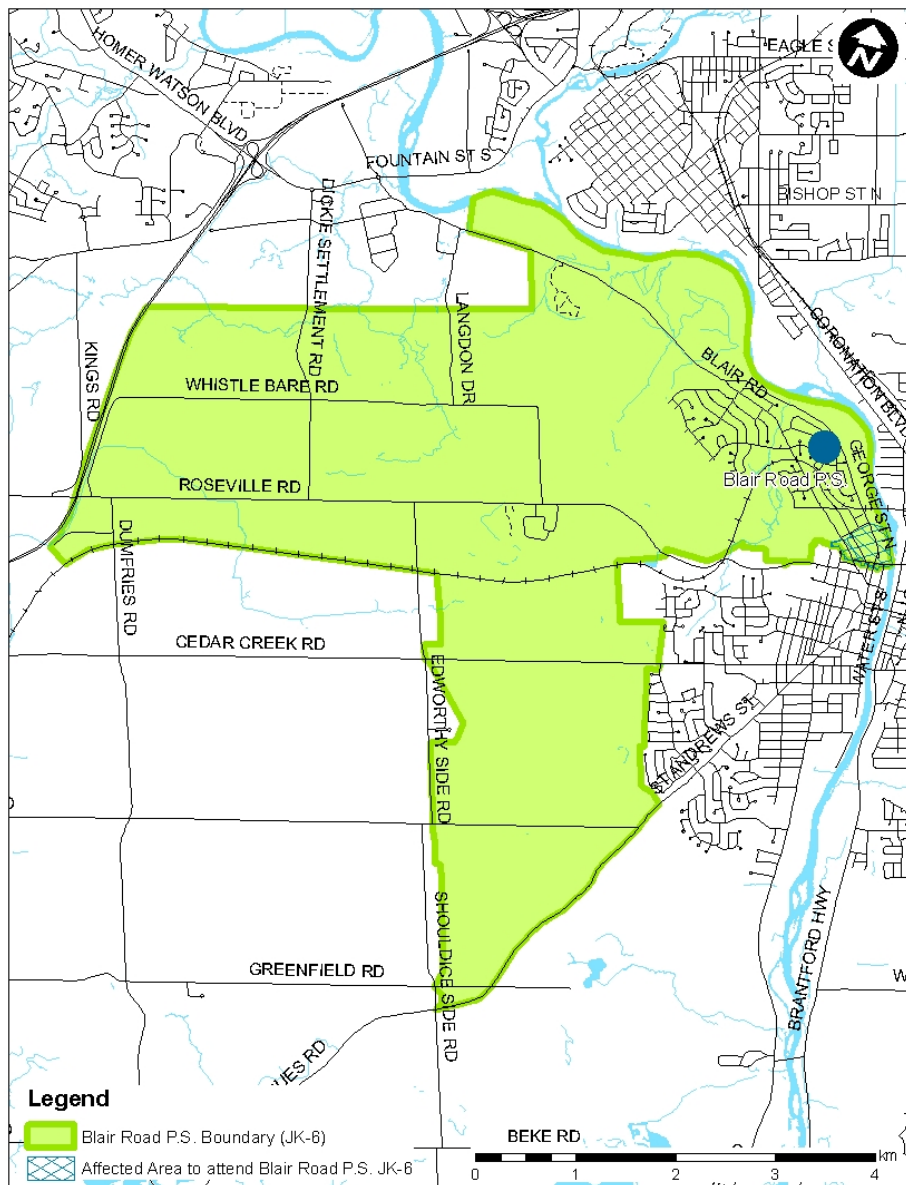
Transportation be extended to those Grade 6 students choosing to attend Blair Road P.S. for the 2017/18 school year based on transportation eligibility; and that

The Highland Public School Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 boundary be modified as illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2017; and that

The Tait Street Public School Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 boundary be modified as illustrated in Figure X, effective September 2017.

Early registration JKs

Scenario 14



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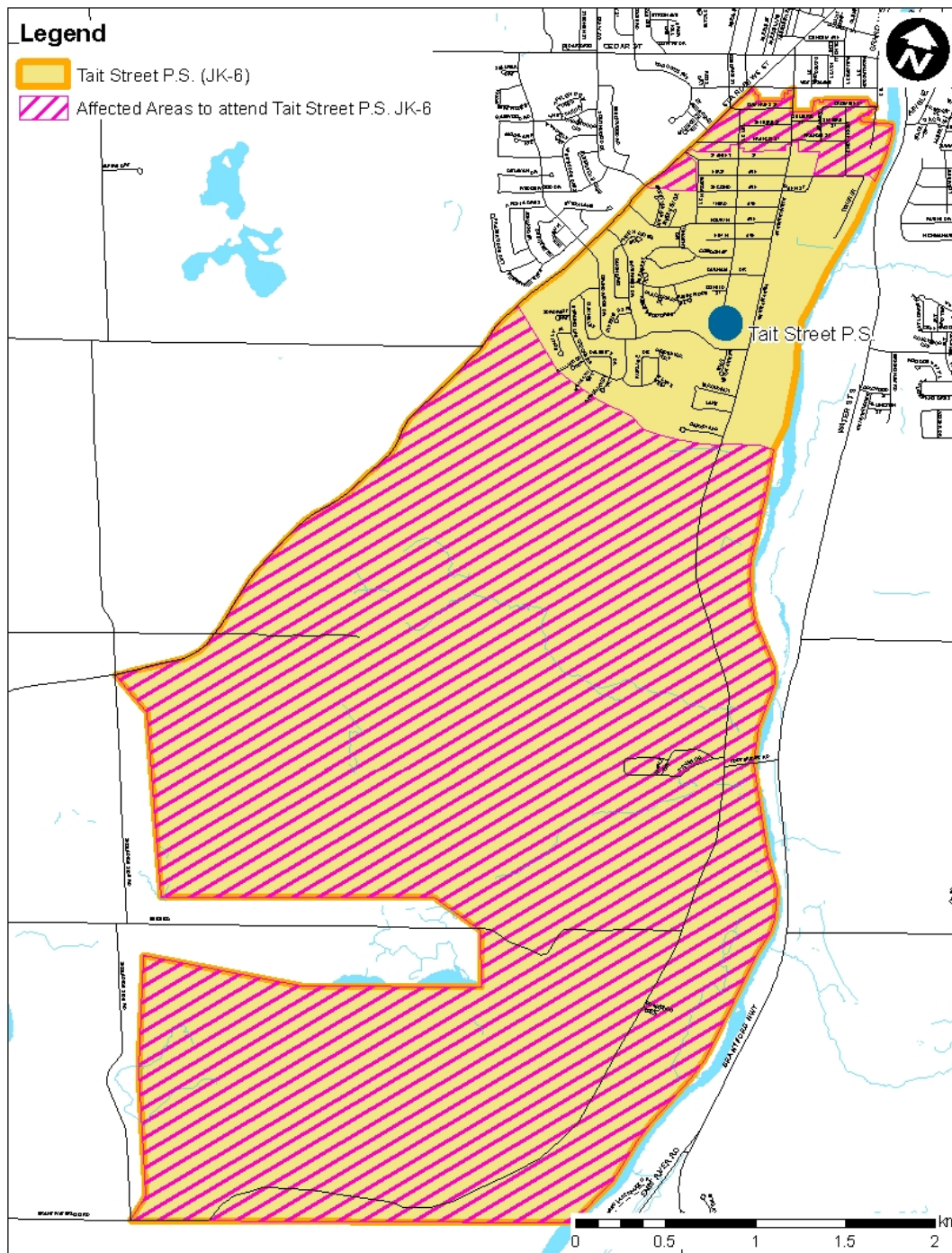


Table x: Projected enrolment at with boundary changes

| Year | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Tait Street P.S. | 292 | 290 | 298 | 307 | 320 |
| Blair Road P.S. | 243 | 242 | 241 | 239 | 238 |
| Highland P.S. | 440 | 431 | 420 | 420 | 421 |

Draft Recommendation: St. Andrew's Public School Closure

The West Galt ARC recommends to the WRDSB that:

St. Andrew's Public School be closed and that the 6-8 program be consolidated into Highland and the New School for Grade 6 and the New School for Grade 7 and 8, effective August 2017.

Operate St. Andrews in final year for gr 8 only.

Public Meeting #4

Scheduled for Tuesday May 1, 2012 @ St. Andrew's P.S.

- What to present?
- How to present it? Format?



Future Meeting Dates

- **ARC Meetings**

- ARC #11: Wednesday May 2, 2012 from 5:30-7:00 pm

- **Public Meetings**

- Public Meeting # 4: Tuesday May 1, 2012



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