


West Galt Timeline of ARC’s Scenario 23 Recommendations

Scenario 23	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Recommendation #1: Close Dickson P.S.		September – June JK option to attend receiving school June Last day of classes	September (Yr. 3) – June (Yr. 5) Gr. 4 & Gr. 5 option to attend Blair Road, Highland, Tait Street or the new school		
Recommendation #2: Construct a new JK-6 facility	Capital funding allocation from the Ministry of Education	 School construction	September - School opens September (Yr. 3) – June (Yr. 4) Gr. 5 & Gr. 6 option to stay at Highland P.S. or Tait Street P.S.		
Recommendation #3: Modify Blair Road P.S. Boundary		September – June JK option to attend Blair Road P.S. or Dickson P.S.	September – June Gr. 6 option to stay at Blair Road P.S.		
Recommendation #4: Modify Highland P.S. Boundary and add Gr. 6		September – June JK option to attend Highland P.S. or Dickson P.S.	September – Gr. 6 classes begin (including Gr. 6 FI) September (Yr. 3) – June (Yr. 4) Gr. 5 & 6 option to stay at Highland P.S		
Recommendation #5: Modify Tait Street P.S. Boundary		September – June JK option to attend Tait Street P.S., Blair Road P.S. or Dickson P.S.	September (Yr. 3) – June (Yr. 4) Gr. 5 & 6 option to stay at Tait Street P.S.		
Recommendation #6: Offer only Gr. 7-8 at St. Andrew’s P.S.			September - Gr. 7 & 8 only at St. Andrew’s P.S.		
Earliest Possible Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017

Timing of changes?

As a result of Board Policy, no changes may take place prior to September 2013. If the vote results in school construction, the earliest date for construction to be completed is September 2015; therefore implementation of Scenario 23 could not take place until the 2015/16 school year.

Table 15: Scenario 23 versus the review objectives

Objective	Meets	Doesn’t Meet
To reorganize the JK-5, 6-8 school organizations in favour of JK-6, JK-8 or 7-8	X	
To reduce the number of students currently attending Highland P.S. to better match the enrolment to the schools' built capacity	X	
To reduce the potential for combined grades at schools by moving towards the following criteria (from Board Policy 3002): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• JK-6 facilities between 350 and 400 students (approx. 2 classes/grade)• JK-8 facilities between 500 and 650 students (approx. 2 classes/grade JK-6, 2+ classes/grade 7-8)	X*	X*
To increase the number of students within walking distance to their assigned school	X	
To reduce the reliance on portable classrooms for long-term student accommodation	X	
To reduce unused (surplus) capacity by organizing schools and boundaries to achieve utilization rates (enrolment/capacity) that exceed 80% over the long-term (approx. 10 years)	X	
To maintain those school buildings that can provide appropriate, purpose-built facilities (kindergarten rooms, gyms, libraries, etc.)	X	
To reduce the cost to achieve legislated accessibility requirements by 2025	X	

* Although this objective is not completely met, it is an improvement from the existing situation