



École Mother d'Youville School

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT RECAP

On March 13, we met to discuss what comes next for students of École Mother d'Youville School. We reviewed survey results and heard options for families who wish to continue accessing Catholic education.



CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR BEAUMONT STUDENTS

1 The number one priority is construction of a new Catholic high school in Beaumont.

The city continues to experience steady population growth, and Beaumont Composite High School is at a capacity of 105%.

Black Gold and Francophone School Divisions are also both advocating for new schools, and it's likely the Province's priority will soon shift to new high school announcements.

So, when can we expect to hear an announcement?

Unfortunately, the current reality is lack of serviced site availability. The Province gives school construction priority to land sites with existing services in place.

The three school sites in Beaumont have not been serviced. Given this, and with consideration of build time, a new school is not likely in the next 3 to 5 years.

3 Other helpful information and considerations:

- Attend the grade 9 orientation at Christ the King school at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19 to learn more about student life and programming at CTK. Enjoy a barbeque and fun student scavenger hunt afterwards!
- French Immersion programming at Christ the King is an option for next year, however the method of delivery would be through alternative means such as distance learning or video conferencing.
- For questions about programming at CTK, please contact Principal Dennis Dunlop at 780.986.6859.
- For questions about transportation, please contact STAR School Division Secretary-Treasurer Ed Latka at 780.986.2500.

Please complete the included commitment form and return it to Principal Jordan Robinson by April 10, 2019.

2 What's the plan of action for Beaumont students in the meantime?

A STAR Catholic busing from Beaumont to CTK School

If we receive 10 commitments from families of students entering grade 10 by April 10, 2019, we can establish a bus route to take students from Beaumont to Christ the King in Leduc. Busing would be provided to city and rural students. The bus would leave around 8:00 a.m., though pickup and drop off times may be adjusted.

B Parent transportation subsidy and re-survey next year

If we don't receive 10 commitments, we will transfer a Provincial subsidy to parents in order to help with the cost of transporting students on their own. We would also re-survey parents in the next school year and reevaluate the situation.

57%

Of parents are interested in busing from Beaumont to CTK in Leduc.

90%

Of parents preferred a STAR Catholic bus.

74%

Of other survey comments were about a new Catholic high school.

10

Student riders are needed to establish the new bus route.