# École catholique Cathédrale EARLY YEARS CENTRE CENTRE DES JEUNES ENFANTS



TRANSITION PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE

**April 2018** 

## **Transition Planning Committee**

A Transition Planning Committee has been formed and consists of representatives from the parent community, School Council and school staff. The mandate of the Transition Planning Committee is to:

Provide input, advice and suggestions to community partners and ALCDSB representatives for the successful transition to the Early Years Centre. The committee will communicate with stakeholders to gather input and suggestions and to provide updates.

The committee has met several times to review progress and discuss potential challenges. A survey has been sent out to parents and there have been discussions with Tri-Board Transportation and the YMCA to determine options for transportation and After-Care.

# **Transportation**

Busing to all schools in the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic School Board is organized by Tri-Board Transportation. Representatives from Tri-Board Transportation have met with the Transition Planning Committee to discuss how transportation will work for JK students.

- JK students will travel on the same bus as older siblings so that there is one common bus stop and pick
   -up time for families.
- Students for whom busing is not available will be able to board a bus at the main campus to go to the Early Years Centre/Centre des jeunes enfants and back again at the end of the day. This will allow for one common drop-off/pick-up point for families.
- Transportation for students in the after-care program will be transported by bus between the two locations.

# **After-Care**

Currently, the YMCA provides after-care for Early Years and School Age students at the École catholique Cathédrale main campus. In order to accommodate the needs of all families, the YMCA will apply for licensing for both programs at the Early Years Centre and at the main campus.

If there is enough demand and applications are approved, families may be able choose which pick-up location would best suit the needs of their family.

## School Start and End times

School start and end times will be similar at both locations. The extended supervision times at both locations will ensure enough time to travel between sites for parents and buses.