



**COMMISSION SCOLAIRE SIR-WILFRID-LAURIER
SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD**

**CONSULTATION ON THE USE OF
ST-VINCENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
BEGINNING IN THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR**

Dear Consultee,

The Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board is embarking on a review of the use of St. Vincent Elementary Schools. Current student enrolment at St. Vincent has exceeded its functional capacity as determined by the ministère de l'éducation, loisir et sport (MELS). Given the current enrolment at St. Vincent there will be a shortage of space beginning in 2010-2011. Enrolment forecasts provided by MELS suggest that enrolment in the St. Vincent attendance zone will continue to increase beyond 2012 resulting in continued growth in our schools.

The School Board has requested additional class space for our students from the MELS. MELS has approved the acquisition of a new school for the school board in the Duvernay sector of Laval and the school is scheduled to open in the 2010-2011 school year. This new school is an existing building formerly belonging to la Commission scolaire de Laval. The reason for the consultation is to ask all stakeholders to provide recommendations to the Council of Commissioners on the future use of St. Vincent Elementary School and the new school in the Duvernay sector of Laval in order to alleviate the current overcrowding at St. Vincent.

The approach of this consultation will require the active participation of your school community. This approach does not begin with offering administrative solutions but offers various suggestions as a starting point from which each school community can become active problem solvers. It is hoped that all parties will work together to develop various options that will provide long lasting solutions. To this end, School Board administrators will be available to assist and provide information upon request as the school community's work through the process.

With this approach we are trying to find common ground that will provide our students and parents with an understanding of each others needs. In order to do this we need to enter into the process with an open mind so that we can hear one another and try to come to as broad a consensus as possible. It will also require commitment of time and spirit of compromise. It will require examining any and all possibilities. Solutions arrived at through this process may lead to changes in transportation and transfer of students.

The consultation period will include:

- Full documentation on the Sir Wilfrid Laurier web site.

- Upon request, distribution of consultation documents to all consultative groups.
- Upon request, meetings between stakeholders and representatives of the School Board administration.

During this consultation period, members of the community are invited to comment on any or all situations and offer possible suggestions or solutions that could resolve the present overcrowding situation. Although it is expected that most members of the school community's will respond through one of the consultative groups already in place, i.e. Governing Boards, Associations, Unions etc., individuals may submit their views as well.

Those requiring more information may contact:

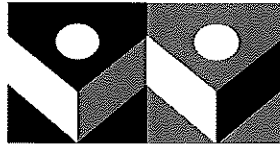
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N.B.: This document is also available on our website: www.swlauriersb.qc.ca under Consultation on the use of St. Vincent Elementary School for 2010-2011.

Individuals or groups wishing to submit a brief should send it to George Paquette, Director of School Organization, by December 4, 2009.

The Council of Commissioners looks forward to working with the St. Vincent Elementary School community in finding a viable solution that will benefit our students.

George Paquette
Director of School Organization



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PUBLIC CONSULTATION

**TO CONSIDER MODIFICATIONS TO
THE ATTENDANCE ZONE OF ST VINCENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

TIMELINE

September 2, 2009	School Organization Standing Committee will review consultation proposal for recommendation to Executive and Council;
September 15, 2009	Executive Committee will review the consultation proposal for recommendation to Council;
September 23, 2009	Council of Commissioners will review the consultation proposal and approve, in principle, a consultation period to consider modifications to the attendance zone for St. Vincent Elementary School beginning in the 2010-2011 school year;
October 5, 2009	Public Consultation begins; Full documentation available on the Sir Wilfrid Laurier website;
October/Dec 4, 2009	Meetings with stakeholders as required so that the consultation process can move forward and meet the target date of December 4 th , 2009;
December 4, 2009	End of public consultation and submission of briefs;
December 7, 2009	School Organization Standing Committee workshop for Commissioners – review of proposals and recommendations contained in briefs;
December 8, 2009	Review and recommendation by the Executive Committee;
December 9, 2009	Review and final decision by the Council of Commissioners;

School Organization Services

REVIEW OF THE USE OF SAINT-VINCENT ELEMENTARY

OPTION A ONE SCHOOL WITH TWO BUILDINGS

Saint-Vincent	K	A	B	D	E	G	H	TOTAL
2009-2010	62	65	43	44	53	26	28	321
Number of classes	3	3	2	2	2	1	1	14
2010-2011	75	64	67	44	44	54	27	375
Number of classes	4	3	3	2	2	2	1	17
2011-2012	80	77	65	68	46	45	57	438
Number of classes	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	20

Functional Capacity = 258; 2 - 10

Saint-Vincent Kindergarten & Cycle 1	K	A	B	TOTAL
2009-2010	62	65	43	170
Number of classes	3	3	2	8
2010-2011	75	64	67	206
Number of classes	4	3	3	10
2011-2012	80	77	65	222
Number of classes	4	4	3	11

Functional Capacity = 258; 2 - 10

Saint-Charles Annex Cycle 2 & 3	D	E	G	H	TOTAL
2009-2010	44	53	26	28	151
Number of classes	2	2	1	1	6
2010-2011	44	44	54	27	169
Number of classes	2	2	2	1	7
2011-2012	68	46	45	57	216
Number of classes	3	2	2	2	9

Functional Capacity = 283; 2 - 10

OPTION B CREATE TWO SEPARATE SCHOOLS

Saint Vincent School Current zone excluding Val des Brise		K	A	A/B	B	D	D/E	E	G	G/H	H	TOTAL
2009-2010		29	34		16	23		31	14		14	161
Number of classes		2	2		1	1		1	0	1	0	8
2010-2011		35	31		35	17		23	29		16	186
Number of classes		2	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	9
2011-2012		38	36		32	35		19	25		29	214
Number of classes		2	2		2	1	1	0	1		1	10

Functional Capacity = 258; 2 - 10

St. Charles School Val des Brise sector of the current St Vincent zone		K	A	A/B	B	D	D/E	E	G	G/H	H	TOTAL
2009-2010		33	31		27	21		22	12		14	160
Number of classes		2	1	1	1	1		1	0	1	0	8
2010-2011		40	33		32	27		21	25		11	189
Number of classes		2	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	9
2011-2012		42	41		33	33		27	20		28	224
Number of classes		2	2		2	2		1	1		1	11

Functional Capacity = 283; 2 - 10



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EXTRACT OF DELIBERATIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
SIR WILFRID LAURIER SCHOOL BOARD

SUBJECT: USE OF ST-VINCENT ES 2010 - 2011

REFERENCE: CC-090923-TS-0028

WHEREAS enrolment at St-Vincent Elementary School currently exceeds its functional capacity;

WHEREAS enrolment simulations based on the current enrolment trends suggest that overcrowding will continue beyond 2012;

WHEREAS St-Charles Annex School, obtained from Commission scolaire de Laval, is currently vacant and will be functional for the 2010-2011 school year;

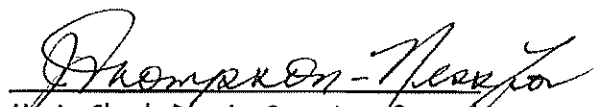
WHEREAS the School Organization Committee has reviewed the situation in detail and proposed two options to resolve the overcrowding for the Council's consideration ;

Commissioner Robert Dixon MOVED THAT, on the recommendation of the School Organization Committee and the Executive Committee, the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board mandate the Director of School Organization to consult the St. Vincent community for its input on possible solutions to the overcrowding at St. Vincent Elementary School;

AND THAT the period of consultation will begin October 5, 2009 and end December 4, 2009.

Carried unanimously

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY of a resolution adopted at the Regular meeting of the Council of Commissioners of the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board held on 2009-09-23 at the Administration Centre, 235 Montée Lesage, Rosemère, Québec.


Marie-Claude Drouin, Secretary General