



CALGARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

February 21, 2018

Dear Parents of Catholic residents residing in Auburn Bay,

On March 20, 2017, restricted enrolment procedures were implemented for Prince of Peace School based on limited space to accommodate students wishing to access the school. The district decision letter on this matter is posted on the Prince of Peace School website. At the conclusion of the letter it states *"In its ongoing planning efforts, the district will continue to review population and transportation trends on a yearly basis. As necessary, CCSD will engage the community when potential revisions are necessary."*

Funding has been secured for the new Elementary School in Auburn Bay and it is projected to open in the fall of 2020. Once this school opens the goal of the district will be to have Auburn Bay Catholic students attend either this new school or Prince of Peace School.

During the past 5 weeks the district has been working with parents of students who are currently attending Don Bosco School and not able to be accommodated at Prince of Peace School. These conversations explored a new opportunity to have the students attend a Catholic school closer to home. Based on these discussions, and feedback received, the following decision was made:

...effective August 2018, the designated school for students from Auburn Bay, currently attending Don Bosco School and who are not able to access Prince of Peace School due to existing restricted enrolment procedures will be Our Lady of the Rosary School in Cranston.

Related to this decision were the following points:

- Restricted enrolment procedures at Prince of Peace School will remain the same. If spots come open parents will be advised by school administration.
- Transportation to Our Lady of the Rosary School from Auburn Bay will be provided by the district.
- If your child is entering junior high school this fall, a space will be made available at Prince of Peace School. Currently there is no waitlist for any junior high students at Prince of Peace School.
- When the new elementary Auburn Bay school opens, all Auburn Bay students attending Our Lady of the Rosary School will attend their designated school in Auburn Bay (either Prince of Peace School or the new elementary school based on their resident location and grade level). New school boundaries will be developed for elementary students in Auburn Bay in advance of the opening of the new school. This is necessary as the intention is for junior high students in Auburn Bay to attend Prince of Peace School and for elementary students to attend either Prince of Peace or the new school.

- Students who attend Our Lady of the Rosary School from Auburn Bay will remain at the school until the new school in Auburn Bay opens.

The reason we are now communicating to parents on waitlists at Prince of Peace School is to ensure they are aware of the opportunity to enroll their Catholic children at Our Lady of the Rosary School next year.

Our Lady of the Rosary School is in its second year of operation and is located in south Cranston.

To support parents with this new opportunity a presentation/open house has been scheduled for Our Lady of the Rosary School:

- **Date - Monday, March 5th**
- **Time – 7:00 – 8:00 PM**
- **Location – Our Lady of the Rosary School – 41 Cranston Gate SE**

At this event parents (children are also invited) will have the opportunity to learn more about progress on the new elementary school in Auburn Bay, meet Our Lady of the Rosary School Principal Marni Harrigan, learn about the school programs and tour the school.

In addition, there is a kindergarten orientation planned for Tuesday, May 29 from 6:00 – 7:00 pm.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at michael.ross@cssd.ab.ca or by phone at 403-500-2430. You are also welcome to contact Mrs. Harrigan at 403-500-2126 or by email at marni.harrigan@cssd.ab.ca.

Sincerely,



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