

Parent Advisory Council for
École Secondaire Hugh McRoberts Secondary School
8980 Williams Road
Richmond, BC V7A 1G6

6 November, 2019

Dear Parents:

School District No. 38 (Richmond) (SD38) administers the public schools in Richmond. It adopted a Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP) in June 2019 which has included in it, two proposals being put forth that will impact McRoberts and would very likely affect the future quality of the education and the education of our students. The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) for McRoberts is concerned and wants to share those concerns with parents.

The first proposal (<https://mcroberts.sd38.bc.ca/news/2019/10/21/proposed-boundary-changes>) is a school boundary revision which is seeking to move 4 portions of our catchment area to McNair Secondary. The second proposal, a consolidation of secondary schools for the South Central Region (https://pd.sd38.bc.ca/sites/default/files/SD38_Long_Range_Facilities_Plan_No_Appendices_2019.pdf) is part of their Secondary School Space Utilization Strategy. This essentially is to look at closing one of the high schools within the South Central Region, with McRoberts being likely to be closed.

The PAC has invited a representative from SD38 and Lynn Archer, the Area Superintendent, will be attending our next PAC meeting in the McRoberts library at 7 pm on 13 November, 2019. I would ask that any and all interested McRoberts parents come out to the meeting to clear up any questions you may have regarding these proposals and their impact to our community. The district has asked for feedback and any comments by 15 November, 2019 on their Let's Talk website (<https://bit.ly/2MiMwir>) or by submitting written feedback to the school office. All comments will be considered prior to the Board of Education making a decision on the proposed boundary revisions on December 11, 2019. These changes are planned to take effect for September 2020, primarily for new students.

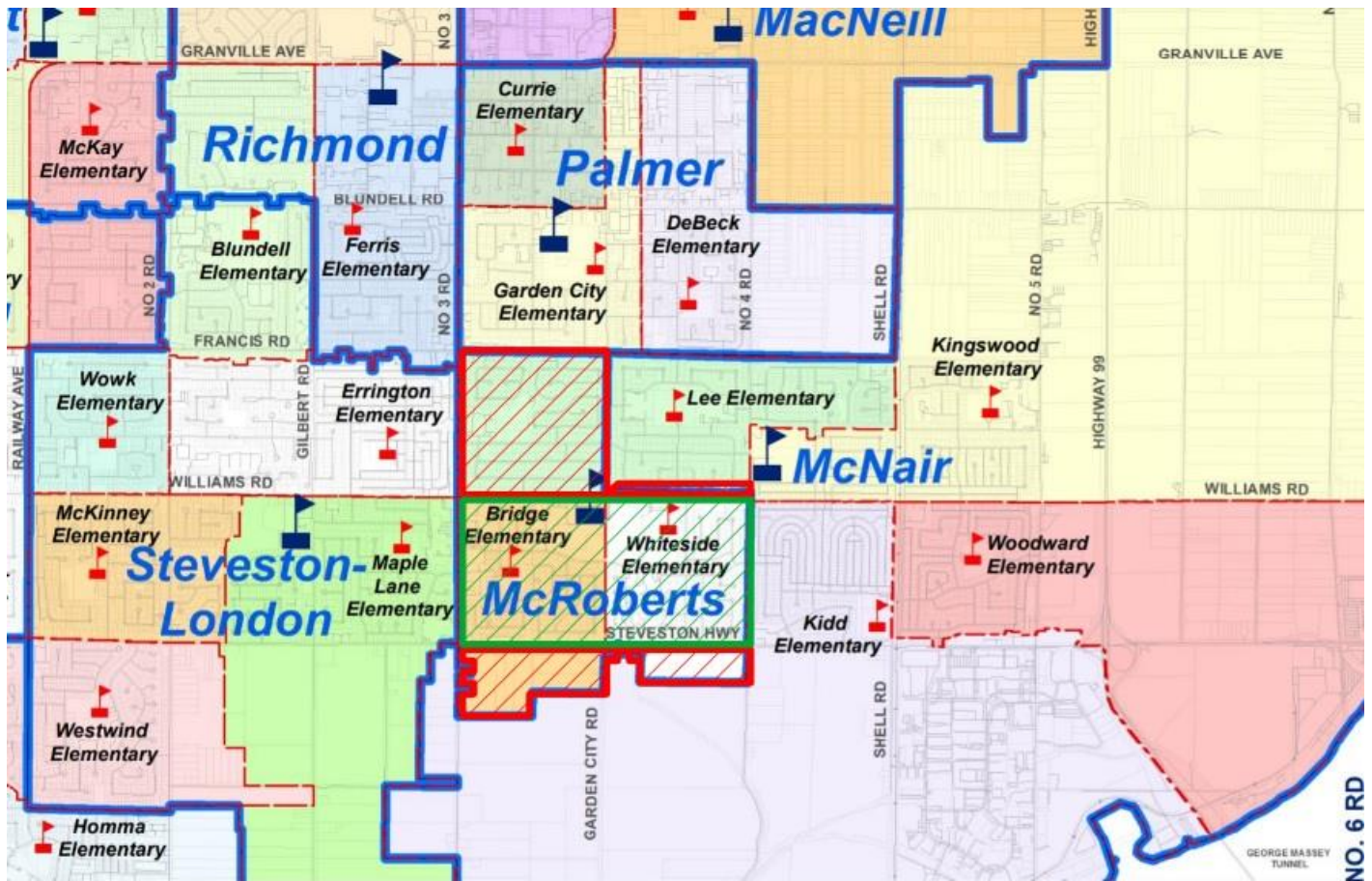
I would also like to extend an invitation to those parents who have children in our feeder schools to come out as well. It is hoped that at least one representative from each of those PACs could attend to voice any concerns of their concerns and to pass information back to their parents. Should you have any questions please contact the PAC at PAC.HughMcRobertsSecondary@gmail.com.

Best regards,

Dave Madeira
Chair
Parent Advisory Council

Enclosed: A selected close-up area of SD38's 2019-2020 School Catchment Boundaries

SD38's proposed 2019-2020 School Catchment Boundaries



Note: The current McRoberts catchment area is both the red and green shaded areas in the centre above. The area in green shows McRoberts' proposed catchment area and the red area shows the 4 areas that are being proposed to be turned over to McNair's catchment area.