



# Devonshire Reconfiguration

Virtual Information Meeting  
February 5, 2025

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# Land Acknowledgment

River East Transcona School Division is located on the original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Ininiwak, Anishininiwak, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Red River Métis.

We recognize our part of the Treaty relationship and, as acknowledgement of the harms done, we commit to collaborating with Indigenous communities in the shared spirit of Truth and Reconciliation for the healing and inclusion of all who share this Land.

# Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Background: How Did We Get Here?
- Plans
- Educational & School Considerations
- Child Care
- Transportation
- Next Steps
- Question & Answer

# Question & Answer

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# Welcome & Introductions



# Rationale

- There has been continued growth in RETSD for over a decade.
- The Board of Trustees has been advocating with government for new schools in RETSD to support the unprecedented growth we've been experiencing.
- Short-term and long-term plans have been in place to address the growth as much as possible.
- We are hopeful that the government will announce that a new Grades K-8 school will be built in the Devonshire area in the very near future.

# Rationale

- RETSD has engaged in numerous school catchment reconfigurations to alleviate enrolment pressures:
  - École Sun Valley and École John Henderson to Birds Hill, Robert Andrews, and Dr. Hamilton
  - École Regent Park, École Margaret-Underhill, and École Centrale
  - Harold Hatcher, Wayoata, Westview, and Radisson
  - École Neil Campbell and École Munroe

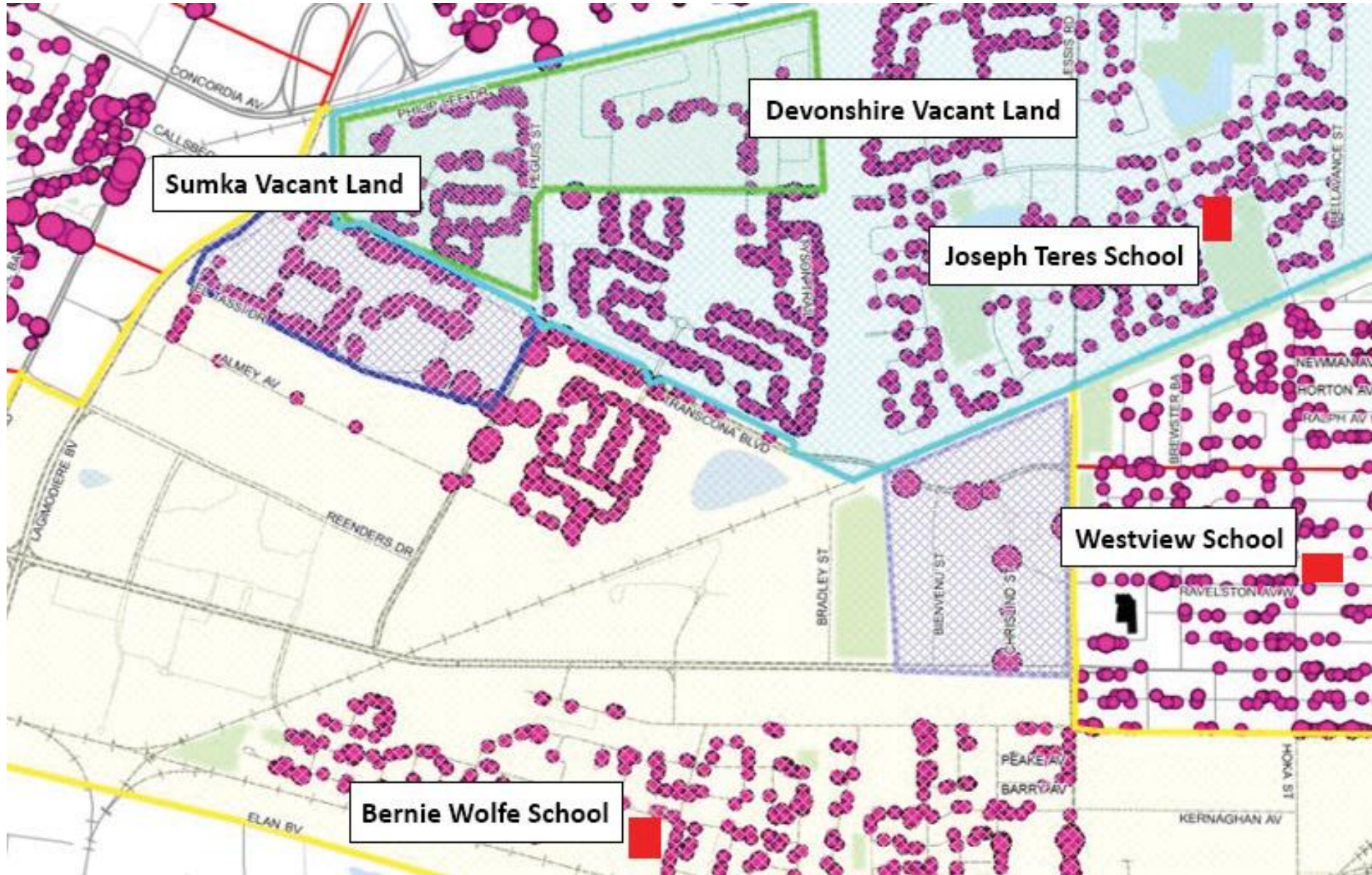
# Rationale

- River East Transcona is experiencing unprecedented growth across the division. **Over the last two years, we have increased by over 1,000 students annually.**
- This number represents the equivalent of two schools, approximately the size of Bernie Wolfe School.
- Some school divisions in Manitoba have less than 1,000 students in total.
- The Transcona area has seen a significant increase in families moving into the community.



# Rationale

- Bernie Wolfe and Joseph Teres are at or exceeding capacity.
- École Sun Valley, Maple Leaf, Westview, and Chief Peguis have space to accommodate additional students.
- Short term changes are necessary to support RETSD during this time of increased enrolment.
- All these changes go into effect in September 2025. Chief Peguis will not be impacted until the following September.



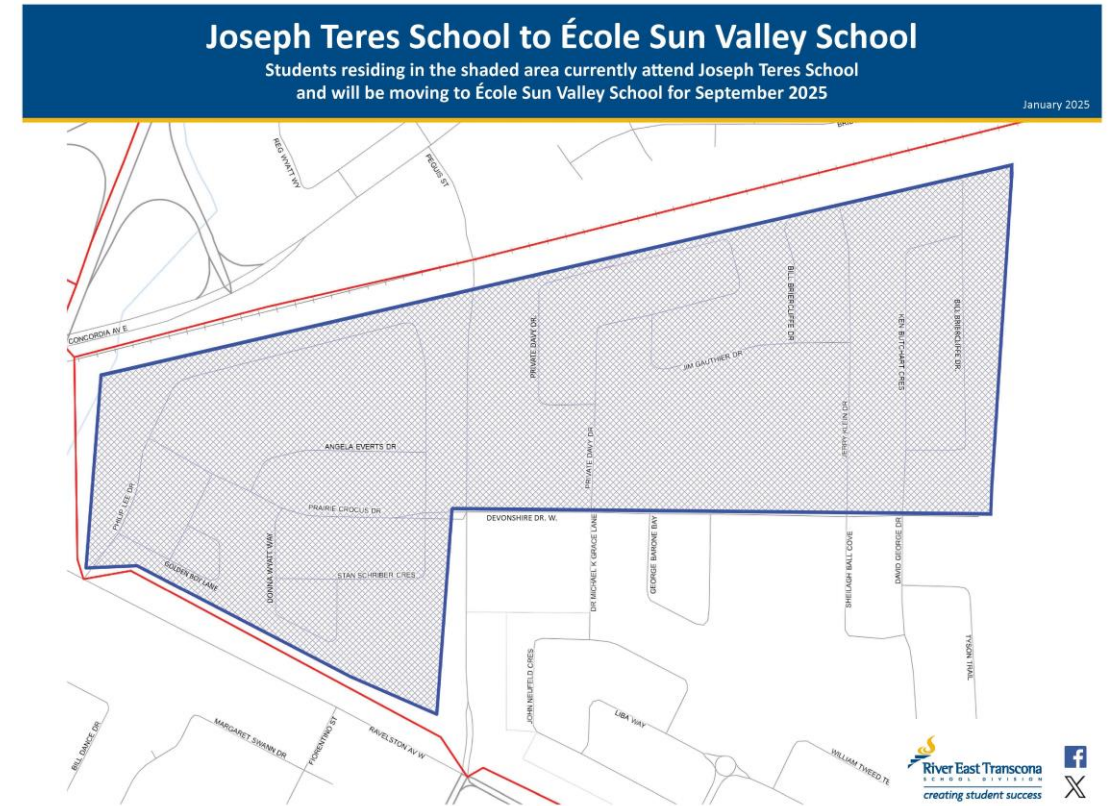
# Current & Projected Enrolment & Capacity Before Boundary Changes

School/Capacity	Current	September 2025	September 2026	September 2027	September 2028
Bernie Wolfe/ <b>100%</b>	931	968	1,007	1,030	1,049
Joseph Teres/ <b>100%</b>	548	597	635	648	664
Westview/ <b>83%</b>	209	216	208	213	197
École Sun Valley/ <b>89%</b>	492	332	332	329	324
Maple Leaf/ <b>52%</b>	223	216	213	221	205
Chief Peguis/ <b>83%</b>	478	509	518	507	512

# Plans

## Joseph Teres

- Boundaries will change for some students who will move to École Sun Valley. This school has space within its facilities.
- At the end of Grade 5 at École Sun Valley, impacted students will return to their designated Transcona-area catchment school for middle years, which, for most students, will be John W. Gunn.
- They will then go to Transcona Collegiate for senior years.



# Plans

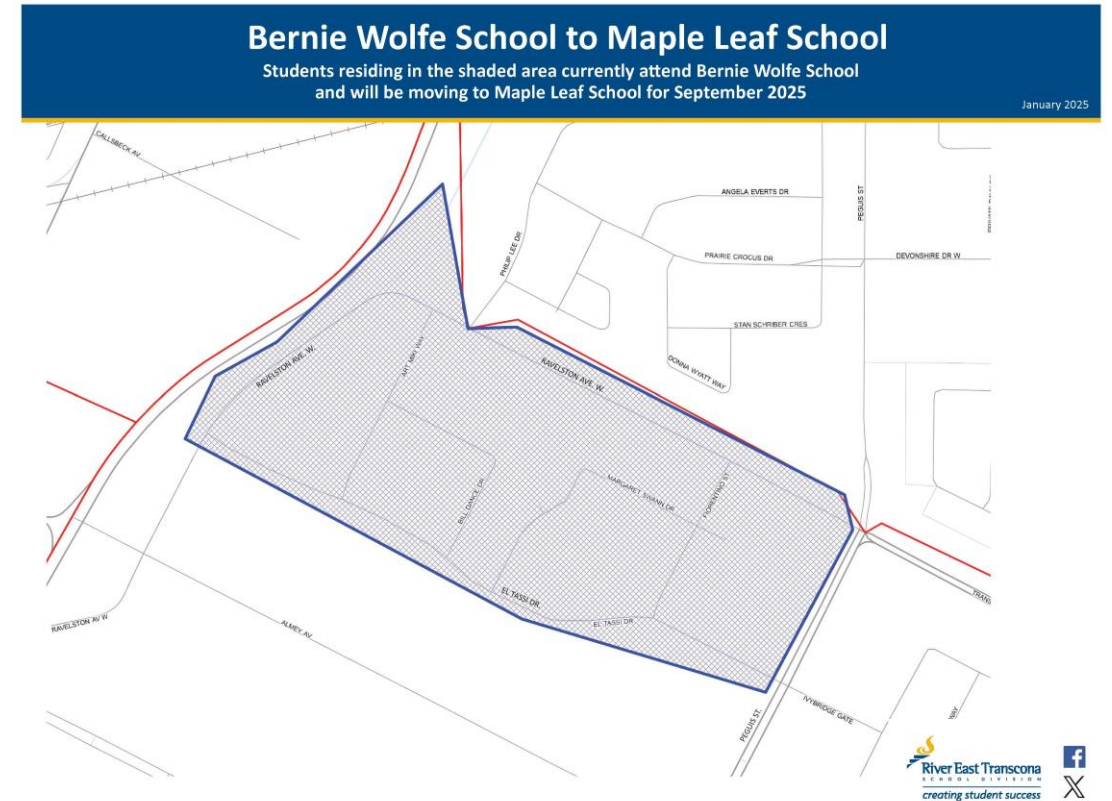
## Bernie Wolfe

- Boundaries will change for some Grades K–5 students who will move to the reconfigured boundaries of Westview.
- This move reflects a permanent boundary change, as the students in this area are within walking distance to Westview.
- This school has space within its facilities.
- These students will then go to John W. Gunn for middle years and Transcona Collegiate for senior years.



# Plans

- Boundaries will change for some students currently at Bernie Wolfe who will move to Maple Leaf for Grades K–5.
- Chief Peguis will become the designated middle years school for those students beginning in September 2026.
- Both schools have space within their facilities.
- These students will then go to Transcona Collegiate for senior years.



# Early Years to Middle Years to Senior Years: Designated School Pathways

Students Impacted	Early Years	Middle Years	Senior Years
Bernie Wolfe to Westview	Westview	John W. Gunn	Transcona Collegiate
Bernie Wolfe to Maple Leaf	Maple Leaf	Chief Peguis	Transcona Collegiate
Joseph Teres to École Sun Valley	École Sun Valley	John W. Gunn	Transcona Collegiate

# Current & Projected Enrolment & Capacity After Boundary Changes

School/Capacity	Current	September 2025	September 2026	September 2027	September 2028
Bernie Wolfe/ <b>91%</b>	931	841	857	853	847
Joseph Teres/ <b>84%</b>	548	464	477	492	505
Westview/ <b>99%</b>	209	247	243	248	235
École Sun Valley/ <b>83%</b>	492	454	458	461	469
Maple Leaf/ <b>89%</b>	223	379	385	409	422
Chief Peguis/ <b>89%</b>	478	509	547	563	590



# Educational & School Considerations

- Enrolment impact on programming
  - Joseph Teres students moving from a school with English only programming to École Sun Valley that offers both English and French-Immersion programming
- Staffing
- Student supports
- Schools of choice
  - Bernie Wolfe, Joseph Teres, Westview, Maple Leaf, École Sun Valley, and Chief Peguis will now be closed to schools of choice

# Transportation: Joseph Teres to École Sun Valley

- Students in the impacted boundary are currently receiving transportation to Joseph Teres.
- Students impacted and moving to École Sun Valley will continue to be transported.
- Students will be on the bus longer to get to school.
- Students arriving by bus will be supervised once they arrive at school.

# Transportation: Bernie Wolfe to Maple Leaf

- Students in the impacted boundary are currently receiving transportation to Bernie Wolfe.
- Students impacted and moving to Maple Leaf will continue to be transported.
- Students impacted and moving to Maple Leaf, then to Chief Peguis for 2026, will be transported from Grades 6–8.
- Students will be on the bus longer to get to school.
- Students arriving by bus will be supervised once they arrive at school.

# Transportation: Bernie Wolfe to Westview

- Students in the impacted boundary are currently receiving transportation to Bernie Wolfe.
- Students impacted and moving to Westview will not receive transportation, as they reside within walking distance of the school.
- Adult crossing guards are in place to support students at the intersection of Plessis Road and Ravelston Avenue.

# Child Care

- We've made child-care centres in the community aware of the changes for 2025.
- Westview, École Sun Valley, and Maple Leaf have before-and-after-school programs operating in their buildings.
- We will continue to work with our partners in child care to support families.

# Next Steps

## In-Person Parent Meetings

- These meetings will be another opportunity to hear about the plan and have time for questions specific to each school.
- Bernie Wolfe to Westview: Feb. 6, 6:30 p.m., Bernie Wolfe Theatre
- Bernie Wolfe to Maple Leaf to Chief Peguis: Feb. 11, 6:30 p.m., Bernie Wolfe Gymnasium
- Joseph Teres to École Sun Valley: Feb. 13, 6:30 p.m., Joseph Teres Meeting Area

# Next Steps

A list of relevant Q&A will be created and posted on the RETSD website at [www.retsd.mb.ca](http://www.retsd.mb.ca).

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# More Questions?

- The Q&A on the RETSD website will continue to be updated.
- Contact your school principal.
- Visit the “Contact Us” page on the RETSD website at [retsd.mb.ca](http://retsd.mb.ca).

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**Thank you!**

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