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Northwest and North Central Early and Late French Immersion Programs Proposed Plan Survey for Eric Harvie and Twelve Mile Coulee Schools Comments – Nov. 30, 2018

CBE parents, prospective parents, students, staff and community members with a connection to any of the following two schools were invited to participate in this survey: Eric Harvie and Twelve Mile Coulee.

The proposed plan survey was available Nov. 6-18, 2018.

While we offered the opportunity for individuals to complete one survey for each school they wanted to comment on, survey validation tools indicated six individual IP addresses/individual households completed the survey a total of 79 times. These responses were removed from the survey results to maintain data integrity.

Below you will find all comments as they were written. Opinions are the writers' own and content has not been vetted for accuracy. Comments have not been edited for spelling, grammar, sentence structure or otherwise. Comments have been edited to ensure anonymity. We also edited or omitted abusive, discriminatory and otherwise inappropriate comments.

Q4 Please share any additional comments you have about the plan we are proposing.

#### **Eric Harvie School**

- I am disappointed that Eric Harvie will not be the French Immersion school. It could be a single track French school, rather than dual language at Tuscany school.
- Why not having k-9 French immersion program so kids that start in French immersion can stay in the community through all of it.
- Do not add a dead language to Eric Harvey
- I am so disappointed to see no changes to the Eric Harvie enrolment. Adding the grade 5 kids to Eric Harvie would have taken so much pressure off the middle school. If there is space in Eric Harvie for grade fives why not move them there?



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#### **Twelve Mile Coulee School**

- Sad to see that the French aren't continuing in the community after elementary when they should be allowed to continue on with thier community peers.
- FEO and Branton will clearly have vastly different quality of early immersion programs based on the huge difference in size of student population (FEO 100ish first year vs 700ish at Branton). I have heard many Early Immersion parents are considering pulling kids from Early French Immersion and sending them to English program for 1-2 years so that they can later enroll in Late- Immersion program at Branton. How will the strain on the English program be absorbed? What if many of the transfers come mid-year after staffing decisions have been made? How will they handle such a large influx of students?
- This plan works well for our family and the TMC school community
- I've heard that the principal was very much against the French program coming to TMC. If this is thier stance and reason why the French program is remaining out of the community, I seriously question this persons position in a school if there is this amount of prejudice and the cbe allowing this to continue.
- French immersion program from 6-9 should be offered so kids from the community going to Tuscany school can complete French immersion in the community.
- TMC should never be considered due to the little amount of space that is available.
- I'm relieved that there will be no French Immersion at 12 Mile. There
  is not the space and even if there was priority should be given to
  specialized classes
- We do not want our school to change to French
- I'm nervous about the 3 year-plan and the possibility that TMC could be another place to house French Immersion. We choose to attend our community public schools for a reason, and filling up the middle school in the future beyond capacity with a dual stream F/I would not be ideal. For my children's sake, I sincerely hope that's taken into consideration.
- Twelve Mile Coulee should offer French immersion so kids are not on city transit at 6:45 am trying to get to F.E Osborne from Tuscany.
- F.E. Osborne is still quite far for junior high students living in the north western communities

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- This makes no sense and helps twelve mile coulee school in no way.
   Move the grade 5 kids to elementary and make some space in the middle school
- I think the plan is great.
- I am relieved to know Twelve Mile Coulee will not be impacted by the devastating effects of a French Immersion program. These programs divide students, parents and staff and destroy a school when they enter into a community school.
- Would have liked to see 12 mile take in the far nw communities of tuscany, rocky ridge and royal oak, but FE Osborne was a reasonable next choice.