

Parents and Guardians,

The Calgary Board of Education conducted <u>a review of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing</u> (DHH) Program in the 2014-2015 school year. This review, which provided parents and others with an opportunity to share their comments and perspectives, resulted in a recommendation was to combine students attending the DHH Program in Grades 1–6 into a single location. It has been determined that most appropriate location is Jennie Elliott School. The plan is to welcome these students into Jennie Elliott School at the start of the 2018–2019 year. As is the case now, students of the DHH Program in Grades 1–6 move to Queen Elizabeth High School for Grades 7–12.

When exploring potential locations, one of the factors considered was school populations. With new school openings, Jennie Elliott is projected to stabilize at 450–500 students and its instructional space will allow for five to six classrooms to become available — the amount of space the students of the DHH Program in Grades 1–6 would require.

Please visit the <u>Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH)</u> page on the CBE website for information about the program and the 2014-2015 review.

You may contact your principal Lori Cooper, at 403-777-6380, or the Area 7 office, at 403-777-8750 ext. 0 and <u>area7@cbe.ab.ca</u>, if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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