

Parents and Guardians,

As you may already know, the Calgary Board of Education conducted <u>a review of the</u> <u>Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) Program</u> 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 to combine students attending the DHH Programs in Grades 1–6 into a single location. It has been determined that the most appropriate location is Jennie Elliott School. The plan is for these students to finish at Stanley Jones School at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

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 the instructional space that becomes available is the amount of space the students of the DHH Program in Grades 1–6 would require. This move will also result in Stanley Jones having more available space for your students.

We recognize that it will be an adjustment to have these students leaving your school. We want to thank you for providing the students and families of the DHH Program with a caring and inclusive culture.

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 Sandra Fowler-Brown, at 403-777-6800, or the Area 3 office, at 403-777-6820 and <u>area3@cbe.ab.ca</u>, if you have questions. Also know the move will be discussed at the next Stanley Jones School Council meeting June 14th at 6:30 p.m.

Sincerely,

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