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Further Input Sought on Ideas for the Name of the Consolidated Wyoming Area School

The Ad Hoc Naming Committee for the Consolidation of South Plympton and Wyoming Public Schools met and reviewed 45 submissions on possible names for the consolidated school from all stakeholder groups – students (29%), parents (24%), staff (33%), alumnus (4%) and community members (9%). A complete list of submissions can be found on the Lambton Kent District School Board webpage. The rationale for the shortlisted names is also available on the website.

Committee Members agreed that the names should meet the following criteria:

- Keep existing/combination of names;
- o Historical local person; or
- Geographic area.

Committee Members are seeking further input from stakeholders on the following possible names:

- Plympton-Wyoming Public School
- South Plympton Wyoming Public School
- Sir John Colborne Memorial School
- Wyoming Station Public School

Individuals wishing to comment on the shortlisted names may do so electronically via the LKDSB website under the <u>ARC – Wyoming Area Schools</u> section. Individuals can fill out the form electronically or print it off and drop it in one of the drop boxes. Drop boxes will be located at both schools and the Sarnia and Chatham Board Offices. Hard copies of the forms will be available where the drop boxes are located.

Input will be accepted until January 13, 2017. Committee Members will then review the additional data and develop a recommendation for submission to the Board. This is not considered a vote. The proposed name that receives the most support will not necessarily be the name selected by the Committee Members.

The Committee will present their recommendation to the Board for approval at the January 31, 2017 Board Meeting. The Ad Hoc Committee is comprised of Trustees, School Staff and Community Representatives, along with school and LKDSB administration.

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