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## **LKDSB Capital Plan, September 2016**

Administration presented the Lambton Kent District School Board (LKDSB) Capital Plan, September 2016, to the Board of Trustees at the September 27, 2016 Board Meeting. The Capital Plan outlines how the LKDSB will work with the community to optimize the use of its facilities.

The LKDSB remains focused on providing leading educational programs in facilities that meet the LKDSB's current and future needs. Due to ongoing enrolment and financial challenges, the LKDSB continues to look for new opportunities to maximize the use its facilities, including potential community partnerships and school consolidations.

Over the past decade, the LKDSB has experienced an overall decline in enrolment of about 16 per cent, or 4,220 students. The total enrolment of the LKDSB continues to decline. With reduced enrolments, the LKDSB is at 75 per cent capacity for elementary schools and 68 per cent capacity for secondary schools as of September 14, 2016. Birth rate projections in the Board catchment area indicate these declining enrolments will continue.

Given these enrolment and financial challenges, Senior Administration is looking at options that would allow continued support of student achievement, while also maximizing the use of LKDSB facilities.

To review the complete Capital Plan, visit <a href="http://www.lkdsb.net/Board-Info/arc.htm">http://www.lkdsb.net/Board-Info/arc.htm</a>

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