



May 23, 2023

Re: Update on Brooke Central Public School Transition Plans

To the Brooke Central Public School Community,

On May 5, 2023 the Lambton Kent District School Board (LKDSB) posted a letter from [Bukhart Gilchrist Architects Inc.](#) which provided a Brooke Central Public School Structural Upgrades Progress Update. This letter informed LKDSB staff that the 1960 and 1967 sections of the Brooke Central Public School building would be completed by the end of May 2023. In response to this, the LKDSB requested input from the Brooke Central Public School staff and School Council on options for a return to the school by the Brooke Central Public School students who are currently learning at Lambton Centennial Public School and East Lambton Public School. The options suggested were as follows:

1. Return to Brooke Central Public School as soon as possible, which could be the beginning of June to mid June.
2. Move at the end of the school year and return to Brooke Central Public School in September 2023. This would make the last day of school for Brooke Central Public School June 27, 2023.
3. Move at the beginning of September 2023. This would make the first day of classes September 5, 2023

The Brooke Central Public School staff and School Council agreed that option 2 would be the best option for the school community and made suggestions about how the process could work. The LKDSB will move forward with option 2 and will initiate some of the suggestions made to help support the school in the transition.

Option 2 Timeline:

June 27, 2023 – Last day of classes for Brooke Central Public School students at all 3 school sites. Additional Board staff will be in the 3 sites on this day to assist with packing of classrooms and supervision of students.

June 28 and June 29, 2023 – Packing and movement of materials to Brooke Central Public School. Stored materials placed in classrooms. Set-up of classrooms in the 1960 and 1967 sections of building to occur.

June 30, 2023 – PD Day – Continued set-up of classrooms.

September 5, 2023 - First day of classes for all students at Brooke Central Public School.

Other Significant Information:

May 29, 2023 – Closure of gymnasium for roof work. Phys-Ed classes moved outside for month of June at Brooke Central P.S.

Early June 2023: Re-opening of main office at Brooke Central Public School site

July 3, 2023 – Closure of classrooms in new section for roof work. Movement of classrooms 19 and 21 into unused classrooms in the 1960 and 1967 sections.

We greatly appreciate your understanding as we work towards moving the Brooke Central Public School students back to the Brooke Central Public School site.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Howitt".

John Howitt
Director of Education