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*Dear Trustees*

*In response to the revised proposal for enrolment priorities VCPAC sees the changes would also fit with the feedback we have received. It allows for siblings of re-enrolling students to have priority in the two categories of catchment and out of catchment while validating the desire for new students to attend neighbourhood schools, whether they are just coming of age for school or moving into a catchment. We acknowledge this is a balancing act and see it as attempting to be supportive of both existing families and incoming families. Ideally, we hope for keeping families together in neighbourhood schools with programs that keep our children engaged and thriving.*

*It continues to be important to note that parents do not have a unified opinion on this issue. It is clear that no priorities will please all parents. However, given time, all families will benefit from the certainty that making the decision on this policy will give them. Parents will be able to know what the rules are and how they apply throughout the district, across the education levels, and to which programs.*

*We encourage you to make a decision that will create a stable enrolment environment in which parents can make their plans for the supports they need to care for their family needs. This is especially important as we make other life impacting decisions in less predictable aspects of parenthood.*

*Regards,  
VCPAC Executive.*