



2024

OCDSB ELEMENTARY PROGRAM REVIEW



At a Glance

What's happening?

The OCDSB is reviewing program quality and accessibility in our elementary grades and is looking to see how we can improve.

What's the current situation?

The OCDSB offers 6 different elementary programs. Not every program is available at every school. This means that many students have to travel far or change schools to access their program.

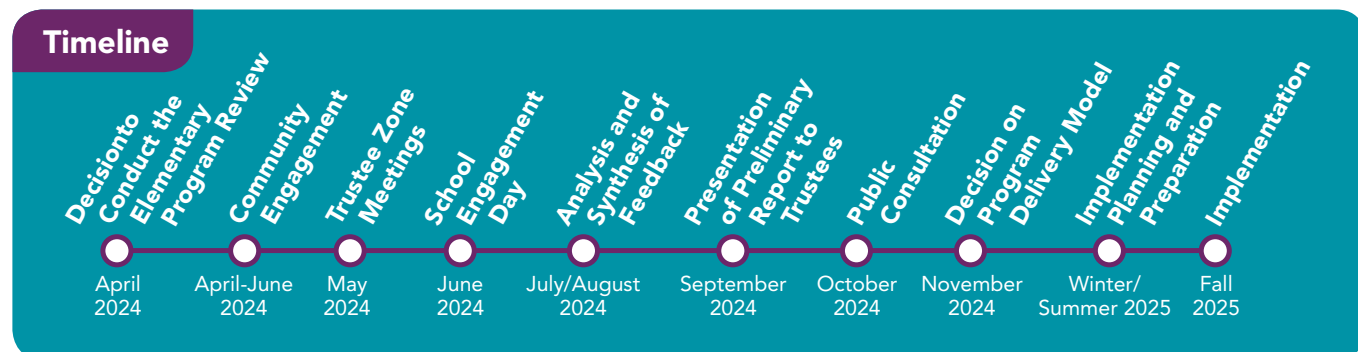
 <p>APPROX. 50,000 ELEMENTARY STUDENTS</p>	ELEMENTARY PROGRAMS			RESOURCES/ SUPPORTS
<p>8 DIFFERENT GRADE STRUCTURES (K-6, K-8, K-3, K-4, K-5, 4-6, 6-8, 7-8)</p>	English with Core French	Early French Immersion	Middle French Immersion	Special Education
<p>126 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS</p>	Full Day Kindergarten	Alternative Program	Ottawa-Carleton Virtual School	English as a Second Language/ English Literacy Development
<p>LARGE GEOGRAPHIC AREA Includes rural, suburban, and urban communities and greatly impacts program accessibility.</p>			<p>The OCDSB covers 2,760 sq. km.</p>	

Why may change be necessary?

The current program model has served the needs of many in the community for over 25 years. A lot has changed in that time. We need to ensure we offer high quality programs that are accessible to all students.

When will this happen?

Community conversations will take place this spring. Decisions on program delivery will occur in November 2024. Implementation will begin in September 2025.



What will be the Guiding Principles?

Our work is guided by the principles of Learning, Social Responsibility, and Well-Being and shaped by input from you – OCDSB students, families, staff, and community members.



What are some possible outcomes?

The program review could lead to any of the following:

Maintain the status quo:

The review may affirm the effectiveness of certain aspects of the current program model.

Adjustments, enhancements and/or restructuring:

The review may identify opportunities to make adjustments or enhancements to the current program model.

Exploration of other models:

The review may prompt exploration of other program models or approaches that better align with the needs and priorities of the community.

How can you get involved?

We want to hear from you!

Attend one of our in-person sessions or engage online at **Engage OCDSB**. Students, parents/guardians/caregivers, staff, and community members are welcome to voice opinions, ask questions, and engage in meaningful dialogue about the elementary program review.



Share your thoughts
VISIT:
engage.ocdsb.ca