



**Southwest Brantford  
Boundary Review – Working  
Committee Meeting #1  
September 9, 2025**



# Boundary Review Working Committee



## Agenda

- Welcome/Land Acknowledgement
- Introductions
- BRWC Purpose and Guiding Principles
- Boundary Review
  - Background
  - Current situation/enrolment overview
  - Accommodation option
  - Future meeting dates
  - Round table



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## Land Acknowledgement

*Grand Erie District School Board recognizes **Six Nations of the Grand River** and **Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation**, as the longstanding peoples of this territory. We honour, recognize, and respect these communities as well as all First Nations, Metis and Inuit Peoples who reside within the Grand Erie District School Board. We are all stewards of these lands and waters where we now gather, learn and play, and commit to working together in the spirit of Reconciliation.*

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## Welcome/Introductions

- Superintendent of Education – **Liana Thompson** (Chair)
- Superintendent of Business – **Rafal Wyszynski**
- Planning Supervisor – **Nathan Hercanuck**
- Planning Officer – **Elizabeth Berestecki**
- School Administrators
  - A.G. Hodge Public School – **Thomas Ro**
  - Bellview Public School – **Jill Hughes**
  - Blanche E. Williams Public School – **Robyn Mullings**
  - Edith Monture Elementary School – **Diannah Dean**
  - Walter Gretzky Elementary – **Peter Harris**

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## Guiding Principles

### ■ Purpose

- Conduct a review of the attendance area of a school or group of schools within a specified review area of Grand Erie
- Advise and provide recommendations to Board of Trustees on attendance area changes in review area

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## ■ Membership

- Superintendent of Education responsible for the identified school(s) (chair)
- Planning Supervisor
- Planning Officer
- Principal of the identified school(s)
- Superintendent of Business
- Additional resource personnel as required
- Up to two School Council Representatives of the impacted schools

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## ■ Responsibilities

- Review Objectives
- Inform Public
- Provide Boundary options
- Consult public
- Report to Finance Committee with recommendations to the Board

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## ■ Meeting Overview

- BRWC meetings are not public meetings.
- Minutes will be taken at each meeting and approved at subsequent BRWC meetings.
- BRWC meeting minutes and presentation materials will be posted on the Grand Erie's website after minutes approval at subsequent BRWC meeting.



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## Boundary Review Reference Criteria:

Where possible, boundary options should take into consideration:

- JK-8 and 9-12 are preferred school organizations. However, other school organizations (such as 7-12, JK-12) will be considered based on current enrolment and projected enrolment, school utilization, facility condition and program (ex. French Immersion, Special Education, etc.), and other factors.
- Maximize the use of existing facilities and consider: accessibility, site, size, program, the number of students who are within walking distance, minimizing the need for transportation, transitions and annual operating costs.

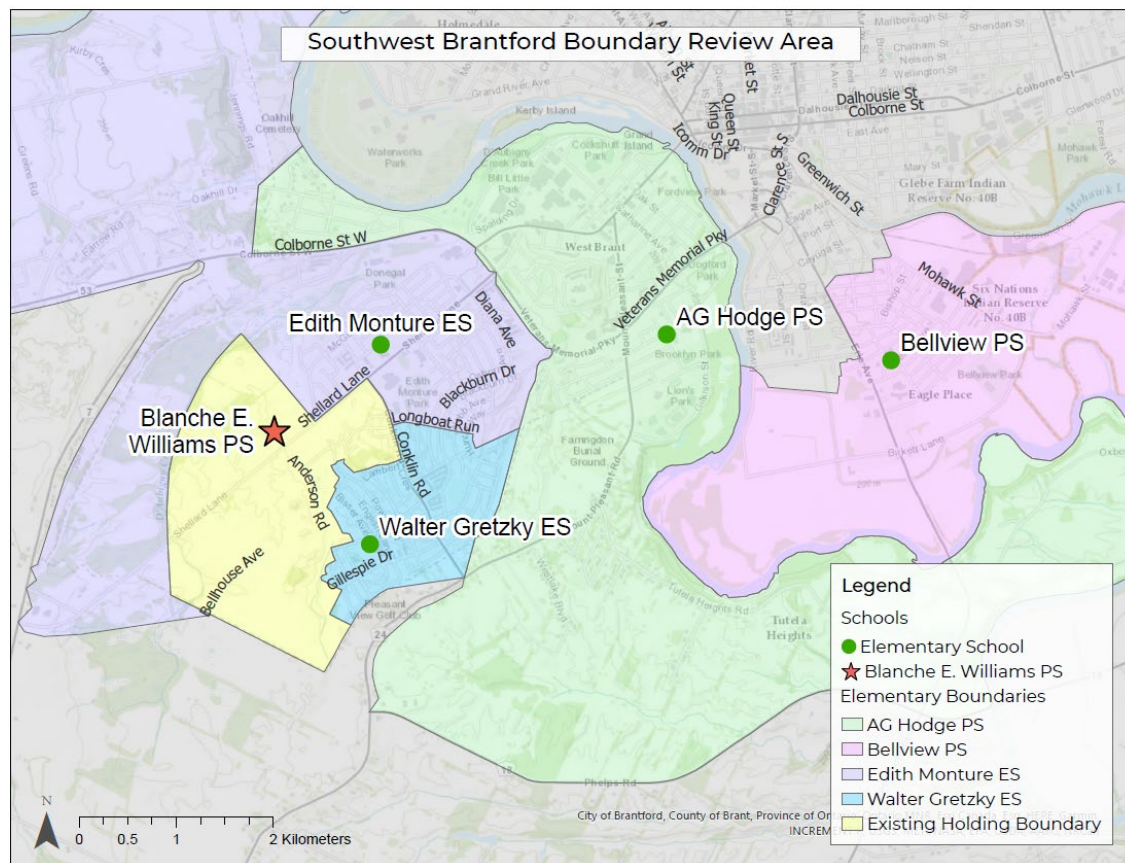
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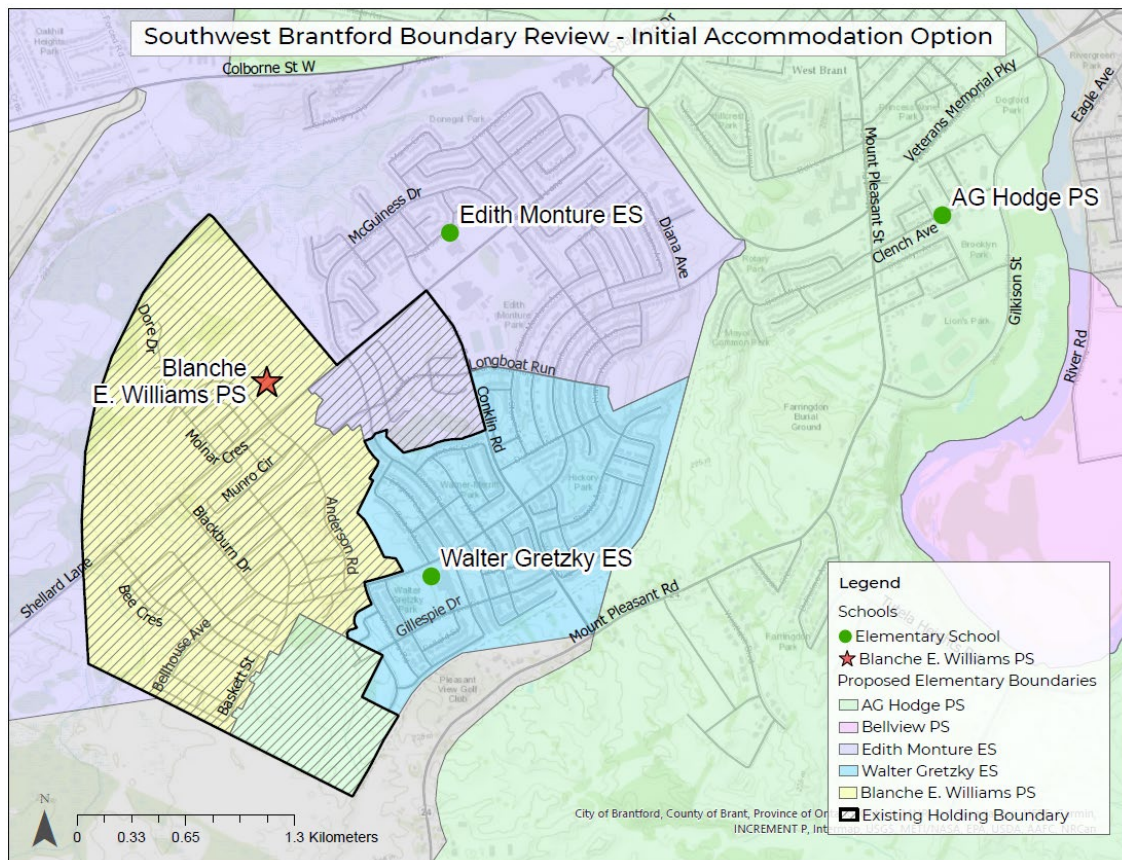
## Current Review

- This Boundary Review is established to address the attendance area for the new Blanche E. Williams Public School and reduce enrolment pressures across the holding schools including:
  - Agnes G. Hodge Public School
  - Bellview Public School
  - Edith Monture Elementary School
  - Walter Gretzky Elementary School

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## Projected Enrolment and Capacity Utilization - Initial Accommodation Option

School	Capacity	Current Portables	Enrolment								
			2023	2024	2025	2026	2028	2030	2032	2034	2036
A.G. Hodge Public School	492	12	737	714	736	418	420	418	440	451	479
Bellview Public School	308	3	338	344	363	278	298	340	395	432	430
Blanche E. Williams Public School	650	-	0	0	0	625	664	722	752	795	799
Edith Monture Elementary School	616	8	766	826	817	692	721	739	750	765	745
Walter Gretzky Elementary	498	10	651	710	717	637	631	601	594	590	576
<b>Total</b>	<b>2564</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>2492</b>	<b>2594</b>	<b>2633</b>	<b>2650</b>	<b>2734</b>	<b>2820</b>	<b>2931</b>	<b>3033</b>	<b>3029</b>

School	Capacity	Current Portables	Capacity Utilization								
			2023	2024	2025	2026	2028	2030	2032	2034	2036
A.G. Hodge Public School	492	12	150%	145%	150%	85%	85%	85%	89%	92%	97%
Bellview Public School	308	3	110%	112%	118%	90%	97%	110%	128%	140%	140%
Blanche E. Williams Public School	650	-	0%	0%	0%	96%	102%	111%	116%	122%	123%
Edith Monture Elementary School	616	8	124%	134%	133%	112%	117%	120%	122%	124%	121%
Walter Gretzky Elementary	498	10	131%	143%	144%	128%	127%	121%	119%	118%	116%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2564</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>101%</b>	<b>103%</b>	<b>103%</b>	<b>107%</b>	<b>110%</b>	<b>114%</b>	<b>118%</b>	<b>118%</b>

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## Review Area Considerations

- Transportation
- Legacy Student Options

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## Future Meeting Dates

- September 23, 2025 – **Working Committee Meeting #2**
- October 7, 2025 – **Public Meeting #1**
- October 21, 2025 – **Working Committee Meeting #3**
- November 3, 2025 – Draft Southwest Brantford Boundary Review Report to **Executive Council**
- November 10, 2025 – Southwest Brantford Boundary Review Report to **Finance Committee**
- November 24, 2025 – **Regular Meeting of the Board**

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## Future Meeting Dates: Draft Agenda

- BRWC Meeting #2
  - **September 23, 2025**
    - Further discussion of initial scenario
    - Discuss alternate accommodation options
    - Roundtable/Q&A



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## Future Meeting Dates: Draft Agenda

- Public Meeting #1
  - **October 7, 2025**
    - Boundary Review Background
    - Presentation of preferred accommodation option
    - Collect public feedback

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## Future Meeting Dates: Draft Agenda

- BRWC Meeting #3
  - **October 21, 2025**
    - Review public meeting feedback
    - Discuss accommodation option implementation elements (legacy student options, etc.)

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