

Kingsclear Community School Catchment Area - Parent Survey Results

Approximately 6 years ago, a sustainability study under Provincial Policy 409 was conducted to review circumstances surrounding Kingsclear Community School (KCS). After much reflection and taking into account feedback from the school/parent community, the District Education Council of the day decided to maintain the status quo at KCS.

More recently, Anglophone West School District was pleased to open Hanwell Park Academy (HPA) in September, 2022. This grade K-8 school is home to approximately 550 students.

At the beginning of this school year, ASD-W staff received feedback suggesting that the catchment area for HPA should be adjusted to include families who live along the Mazerolle Settlement Road and adjoining side streets. Catchment areas are determined by the superintendent under the authority of the Education Act, Section 11. The HPA catchment area was established taking into account student enrolment, Hanwell Community boundaries, building size, and the impact on other schools. There was also acknowledgement of potential for growth in Hanwell.

Considering the feedback received, a determination was made to gather general parental feedback from a wider range of families. During the month of September, a Microsoft Forms survey was launched by Anglophone West School District to gain feedback from parents who have elementary-aged children that live in the Kingsclear Community School catchment area. The survey was mostly for the students that attend KCS, and also for the approximately 45-50 students that attend Garden Creek Elementary School (GCES), mostly for FI, and 5-10 students that attend Hanwell Park Academy as out-of-catchment approved transfers. ASDW was looking for general feedback on the positives and challenges of their school experience, delineated by their neighbourhood.

The survey ran from September 27, 2022 to October 4, 2022. There were 64 responses to the survey. Of those, 58 indicated they had children attending only one of the three schools listed, while 6 had children also going to another school. The first school chosen by the parent/guardian was used for this report.

As part of the survey, those who participated were asked to indicate the neighbourhood in which they live. Four options and "Other" were provided.

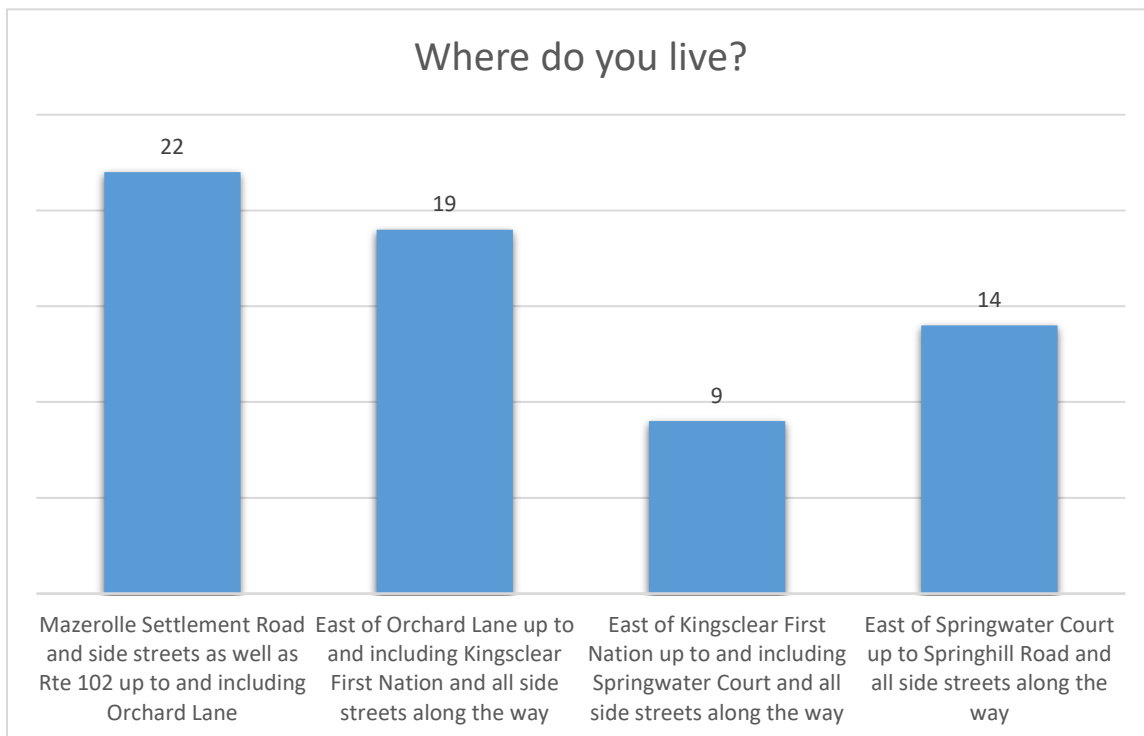
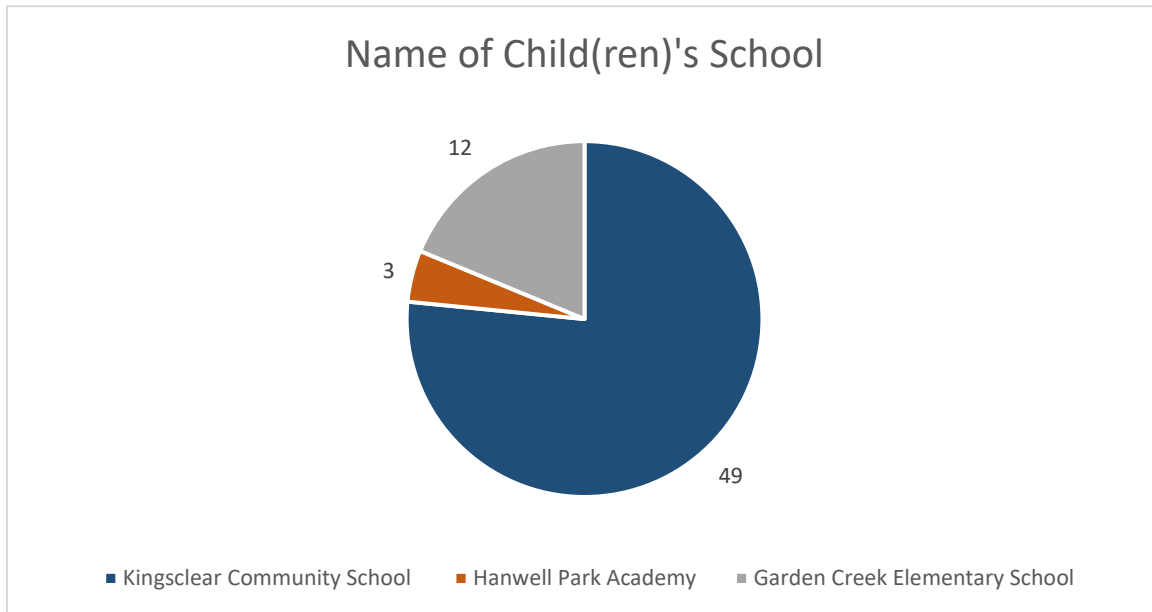
- Mazerolle Settlement Road and side streets as well as Rte 102 up to and including Orchard Lane
- East of Orchard Lane up to and including Kingsclear First Nation and all side streets along the way
- East of Kingsclear First Nation up to and including Springwater Court and all side streets along the way
- East of Springwater Court up to Springhill Road and all side streets along the way

There were 8 "Other" responses consisting of Islandview (3), Glen Eyre (1), Orchard Drive (1), Riverfront Way (1), and Silverwood (2). These have been combined with the most relevant, corresponding neighbourhood.

The results of this survey are provided in this report. The results have helped the team and superintendent in consideration of the catchment area for Hanwell Park Academy and Kingsclear Community School. Upon review, it has been concluded that the catchment areas currently in place will remain. Rationale for this decision is provided at the end of this report.

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Name of child(ren)'s school:



Top 3 categories where parents/guardians reported to be very satisfied with their child's school (by neighbourhood):

Mazerolle Settlement Road and side streets as well as Rte 102 up to and including Orchard Lane	East of Orchard Lane up to and including Kingsclear First Nation and all side streets along the way	East of Kingsclear First Nation up to and including Springwater Court and all side streets along the way	East of Springwater Court up to Springhill Road and all side streets along the way
Emotional well-being of students at school	Distance/time traveled to and from school	Distance/time traveled to and from school	Distance/time traveled to and from school
Learning in the classroom	Learning in the classroom	*	Class size
Communications with staff	The way the school is run	Communications with staff	The way your school is run

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Distance/time traveled to and from school was a common area of satisfaction for three of the four neighbourhoods. *Learning in the classroom*, *Communications with staff*, and *The way the school is run* were in the top 3 for two of the neighbourhoods. *Emotional well-being of students* and *class size* were also themes.

Top 3 categories where parents/guardians reported having concerns with their child's school (by neighbourhood):

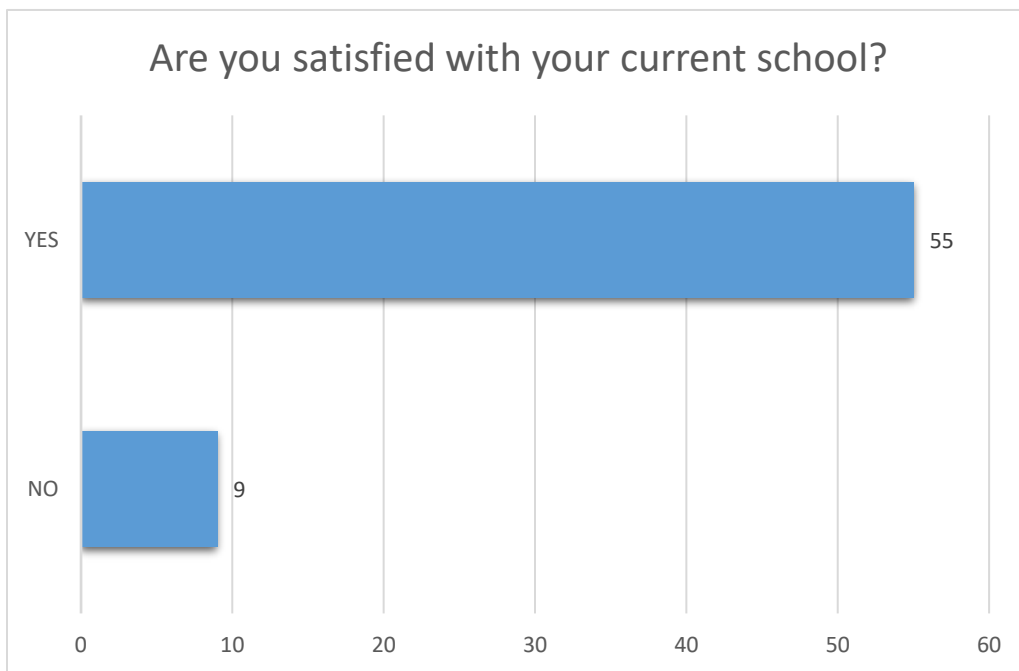
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Building Environment	Building Environment	Building Environment	Building Environment
Grounds Environment	Grounds Environment	*	Grounds Environment
Accessibility with building and grounds	Accessibility with building and grounds	*	Access to technology

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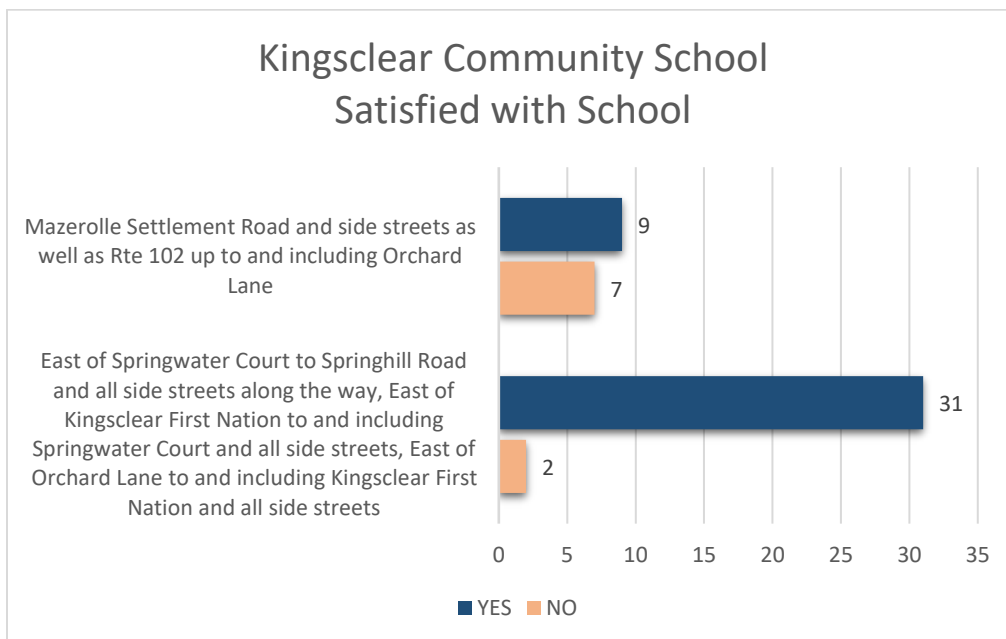
Building Environment was a common concern for all four neighbourhoods. *Grounds Environment* was among the top concerns for three of the neighbourhoods, *Accessibility with building and grounds* was a theme for two, and *Access to technology* was among the top 3 for one.

These top concerns are corroborated by the recommendations for school improvements included on pages 4-6 of this report.

Overall satisfaction with your current school:



Overall satisfaction with Kingsclear Community School:



Further breakdown of the data revealed that the majority of those who responded “NO” to being satisfied with their school come from the Mazerolle Settlement neighbourhood. Also, it is worth noting that as many people from this neighbourhood reported they are satisfied with their school.

What would you like to see as an improvement at your school?

Kingsclear Community School & Garden Creek Elementary School

Summary of parent/guardian responses (by neighbourhood):

Mazerolle Settlement Road and side streets as well as Rte 102 up to and including Orchard Lane
Accessibility upgrades, ventilation system, sprinkler system, fire rated doors, full size and equipped gymnasium, better outdoor facilities and sports equipment
I would love to see a new playground built for the children.
Full size gymnasium
Investment in technology so that students have equal access to those in larger schools; investment in physical environment to make it more eye-pleasing
New playground equipment would be nice
Stability with teaching, admin staff and principal.... Aside from staff/activities, I would love to see updated and safer playground equipment.
Bigger gym, I've heard the vents need to be redone, parking for drop off and pick up is crazy there needs to be more space.
A better, dedicated gym space, a functioning sprinkler system, air conditioning/ exchange, a french immersion program
Better parking, An actual gym, cafeteria, wheelchair access, better resources for students
More support from the province to keep smaller intimate school like KCS
More accessibility
More extra curricular activities
Always feel there are less programs offered due to the size of the school and facility
The building is old and the kids are cold. I think it just needs some major upgrades. Proper gym and equipment and air filtration are just a few on the list and I'm sure staff have many more to do's that I'm not even aware of.
Add French Immersion.
The field and some of the play structure equipment at Garden Creek, it's a great school and that is why I chose for my son to go there. He is an out of zone transfer student as I feel KCS is not up to code (not having a sprinkler system, ventilation system, or gymnasium in the building) and does not offer near what other schools offer students!
I would like to see a bus route that does not require students to transfer at Kingsclear consolidated. Ie a more direct bus route home. However overall very satisfied with the school

East of Orchard Lane up to and including Kingsclear First Nation and all side streets along the way
Support for children in my child's class who require extra help and attention as to make the class a better learning environment for everyone
Perhaps a gym added, and upgrades as it is an incredible School with amazing teaching staff. Windows are needed to be upgraded
Improve the air exchange system (which needs to be done with many schools) also would like school cafeterias at all the schools.
The school, including the playground, needs major upgrades to be sufficiently accessible and safe for all children. The school needs a proper HVAC system at minimum. There need to be more EAs so children are given the support they need. The school needs a principal who is there for more than 1 year.

I would love there to be a dedicated gym space
Investment in the building and facilities
Building upgrades (air quality)
Investment in their building, grounds (playground). KCS is a great school, & have an amazing staff that care about each student. My child always feels comfortable going, and couldn't wait to go back this school year. PLEASE DON'T CLOSE THIS SCHOOL. :)
addition to school for gym new playground infrastructure
new playground addition to school for gymnasium Amazing community school. PLEASE DO NOT CLOSE
The atmosphere, as the school is very dated. The staff and administration have done the very best to make it feel fun and homey, but the exterior does feel institutional for example.
Improved playground. It is a lot of areas which are unsafe
More catered learning opportunities for enriched students.

East of Kingsclear First Nation up to and including Springwater Court and all side streets along the way
Administration: There have been 7 different principals in 10 years. That kind of turnover makes it impossible for the school to be led well.
I have concerns with the 4/5 split class. I'm not sure if it split this year. Kids are made to repeat Intensive French for two years....
I'd like for them to have an actual gym, updated play equipment on the grounds, and ideally it would be lovely for them to have the same opportunity as many other schools (music classes, cafeteria, etc)
A gym
French immersion at KCS
French immersion option. Bigger gym/exercise space and cafeteria
More funding. I think the staff of kingsclear consolidated do an incredible job.
More English learning within the French immersion program to create more bilingualism.
I wish my daughter did not have to transfer buses at the kingsclear school
Playground area drainage

East of Springwater Court up to Springhill Road and all side streets along the way
Painting of exterior walls
More technology
This school needs a major overhaul - dedicated gym, air circulation, upgraded technology & playground. New windows with screens that actually work.
I would like to see the school have a gym and more play equipment
Investment in updating the school's sports facilities and access to technology education
Updates to the school playground equipment and resources (library books, browsing books, etc.)
I would like to see aspects of the school building updated. The building is older and I would like to see new ventilation to help with air within the school.
new playground equipment; what is there is old and outdated, students deserve same equipment as some of the newer schools
Improvement of building/ground environment and access to technology. This wonderful school is completely underfunded and appreciated. The children need a proper gymnasium.

More funding from the provincial government for building upgrades (ventilation, space, etc.)
No guards for walking students
School building need to be renovated and updated, and need a bigger gym for kids.
Newer playground and update to school structure
More catered learning opportunities for enriched students.

Hanwell Park Academy

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The theme was a desire to be zoned for Hanwell Park Academy and enjoy the benefits of Hanwell, including transportation. It was also noted there is a feeling that their neighbourhood is more connected to Hanwell than it is to Kingsclear.

Enrollment

Full enrollment pulled from Power School on December 15, 2022.

12/15/2022							
Student Enrollment by Program of Study 2022-2023							
Kingsclear Community School							
	K	1	2	3	4	5	Total
English Prime	24	9	12	15	14	8	82
Total	24	9	12	15	14	8	82

12/15/2022							
Student Enrollment by Program of Study 2022-2023							
Garden Creek School							
	K	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Early French Immersion (Grade 1 entry)	0	36	38	36	41	32	183
English Prime	44	14	13	11	23	21	126
Total	44	50	51	47	64	53	309

12/15/2022

Student Enrollment by Program of Study 2022-2023
Hanwell Park Academy

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Early French Immersion (Grade 1 entry)	0	32	32	29	42	27	37	0	0	199
English Prime	70	25	17	21	26	28	37	33	28	285
French Immersion (Grade 3 entry)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	31	64
Total	70	57	49	50	68	55	74	66	59	548

12/15/2022

Student Enrollment by Program of Study 2022-23
George Street Middle School

	6	7	8	Total
Early French Immersion (Grade 1 entry)	80	0	0	80
English Prime	97	81	125	303
French Immersion (Grade 3 entry)	0	85	64	149
Late French Immersion (Grade 6 entry)	27	24	25	76
Total	204	190	214	608

**Student Enrollment by Program of Study
Hanwell Park Academy (with Mazerolle Settlement students zoned for KCS)**

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Early French Immersion (Grade 1 entry)	0	33	33	31	44	29	39	0	0	209
English Prime	77	26	20	25	30	31	42	37	33	321
French Immersion (Grade 3 entry)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	31	79
Total										599

Hanwell Park Academy – Current Enrollment

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Early FI (Gr. 1)		32	32	29	42	27	37		
English	70	25	17	21	26	28	37	33	28
FI (Gr. 3)								33	31

Total Population = 548

English Classes = 13, FI Classes = 13 **Total Classes = 26**

English

K – 3
 K/1 – 1
 1 – 1
 2 – 1
 3 – 1
 4 – 1
 5 – 1
 6 – 1
 6/7 – 1
 7 – 1
 8 – 1
 Total – 13

French Immersion

K - 0
 1 - 2
 2 - 2
 3 - 1
 3/4 - 1
 4 - 1
 5 - 1
 6 - 1
 6/7 - 1
 7 - 1
 8 - 2
 Total – 13

Maximum Class Sizes			
Regular		Combined	
K-2	21	K-3	16
3	26	3-5	23
4-6	28	5-12	24
7-12	29		

Hanwell Park Academy – Projected Enrollment If KCS Catchment Shifts

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Early FI (Gr. 1)		33	33	31	44	29	39		
English	77	26	20	25	30	31	42	37	33
FI (Gr. 3)								38	31

Total Population = 599

English Classes = 16, FI Classes = 13 **Total Classes = 29**

English

K – 3
 K/1 – 1
 1 – 2
 2 – 1
 3 – 1
 4 – 1
 4/5 - 1
 5 – 1
 6 – 2
 7 – 1
 7/8 - 1
 8 – 1
 Total – 16

French Immersion

K - 0
 1 - 2
 2 - 2
 3 - 1
 3/4 - 1
 4 - 1
 5 - 1
 5/6 - 1
 6 - 1
 7 - 1
 7/8 - 1
 8 - 1
 Total – 13

Maximum Class Sizes			
Regular		Combined	
K-2	21	K-3	16
3	26	3-5	23
4-6	28	5-12	24
7-12	29		

Closing

Upon review of the data found within this report and following consultation with an ASD-W team, we have concluded that the catchment areas for Hanwell Park Academy and Kingsclear Community School will remain in place as they currently stand. The establishment of catchment areas rests with the superintendent under the authority of the Education Act, Section 11.

Rationale for this decision includes:

- Concerns raised prior to the survey were from the neighbourhood of Mazerolle Settlement Road and adjacent streets. As we conducted our work, we broke the KCS catchment area into four “neighbourhoods”, with one being that of the Mazerolle Settlement Road and adjacent streets.
- Respondents from the three neighbourhoods outside of the Mazerolle Settlement Road showed an overall satisfaction with Kingsclear Community School as their zoned school, with no overall mention of travel or distance from the school as a concern.
- When it came to general satisfaction for respondents that lived within the Mazerolle Settlement Road neighbourhood, nine shared satisfaction with KCS while seven did not. From the remaining three neighbourhoods, 31 showed satisfaction with KCS while two did not.

- The areas for improvement regarding KCS were mostly facility related. There was not significant feedback regarding transportation, including when looking at the respondents from the Mazerolle Settlement Road neighbourhood.
- From those who responded, at least three and as many as seven would like to be zoned for Hanwell Park Academy. If the catchment area changed to include this neighbourhood in the HPA zone, it would require a shift of 51 students and a need to add three additional classes, with today's numbers.
- There is potential for considerable growth in the Community of Hanwell.
- Out of zone transfer requests remain in place and are examined on an individual basis each year.