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October 21, 2025

Dear VSB families,

On October 1, the Board voted in favour of beginning the public engagement process regarding the proposed closure of Sir Guy Carleton Elementary.

**Background**

Carleton Elementary was severely damaged by fire in 2016 making it unsuitable and unsafe to use. No students have attended school on this site since 2016. The site also continues to carry significant maintenance costs, estimated at about \$650,000 so far. These funds could be better directed toward supporting students and schools in active use. Also, the Conseil scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique, a francophone public school board in BC, recently asked to acquire the site to build a new secondary school for francophone rights holders.

Before the Board makes its decision, we are seeking public feedback, as outlined in [Policy 14 – School Closure](#). All feedback collected throughout the engagement process will be compiled into a summary and shared with the Board before it decides about the potential closure of Carleton Elementary. This decision will be made at a special public Board meeting on December 17, 2025.

**We want to hear from you**

1. Attend an in-person or online information session in October:

**In-person session – Thursday, October 23**

*Drop in anytime from 3-6 pm*

**Location:** Weir Elementary School (Gymnasium): 2900 E 44th Ave, Vancouver, BC

**RSVP [here](#)**

*(Spanish, Vietnamese and Chinese translators will be available on-site)*

**Online session – Tuesday, October 28**

*This session will cover the same information as the in-person session*

**Time:** 6:00-7:00 pm

**Details:** A link and instructions to join the online session will be shared prior to the event.

**RSVP [here](#)**

2. Participate in an [online survey](#) (Open until November 26, 2025)
3. Request to [make a presentation](#) to the Board at the Public Delegation Board meeting scheduled on November 24, 2025.
4. Share your thoughts until December 2, 2025, by emailing [engage@vsb.bc.ca](mailto:engage@vsb.bc.ca). Your feedback will be included as part of the engagement summary report and submitted to the Board for consideration.

For more information visit [govsb.ca/carletonclosure](https://govsb.ca/carletonclosure).

We encourage you to take part and share your perspective!

Sincerely,

VSBC Engage