



# Elder's Mills PS and Lorna Jackson PS French Immersion

November 29, 2023

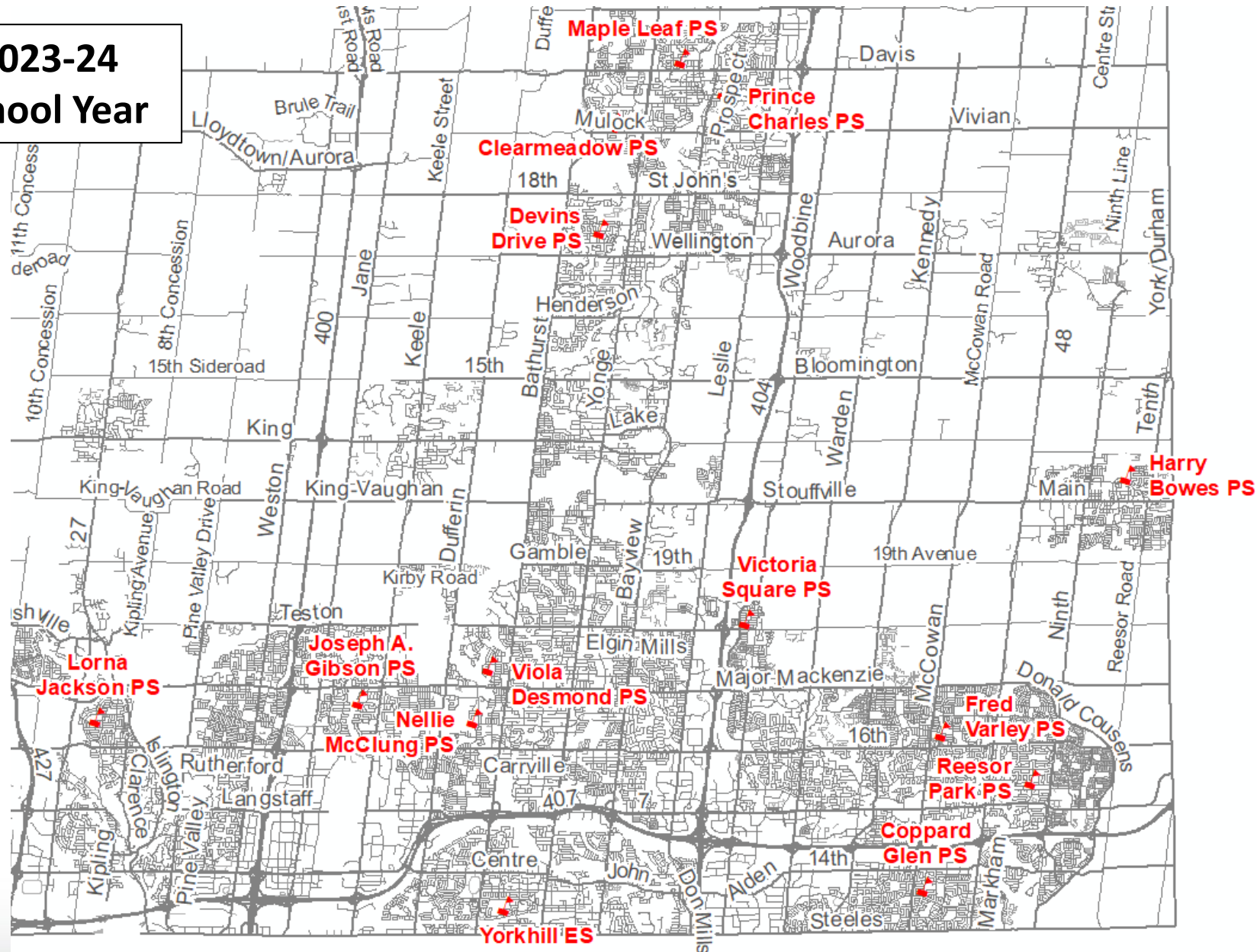
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# French Immersion in York Region DSB

- Maintain Grade 1 entry
- No capping
- FI program offered in a variety of settings
  - Single Track
  - Dual Track
  - Primary Dual Track (Gr 1, Gr 1-2, Gr 1-3 grade structure)
- This allows for the flexibility needed to address local needs across the Region

# Location of FI Primary Dual Track Schools

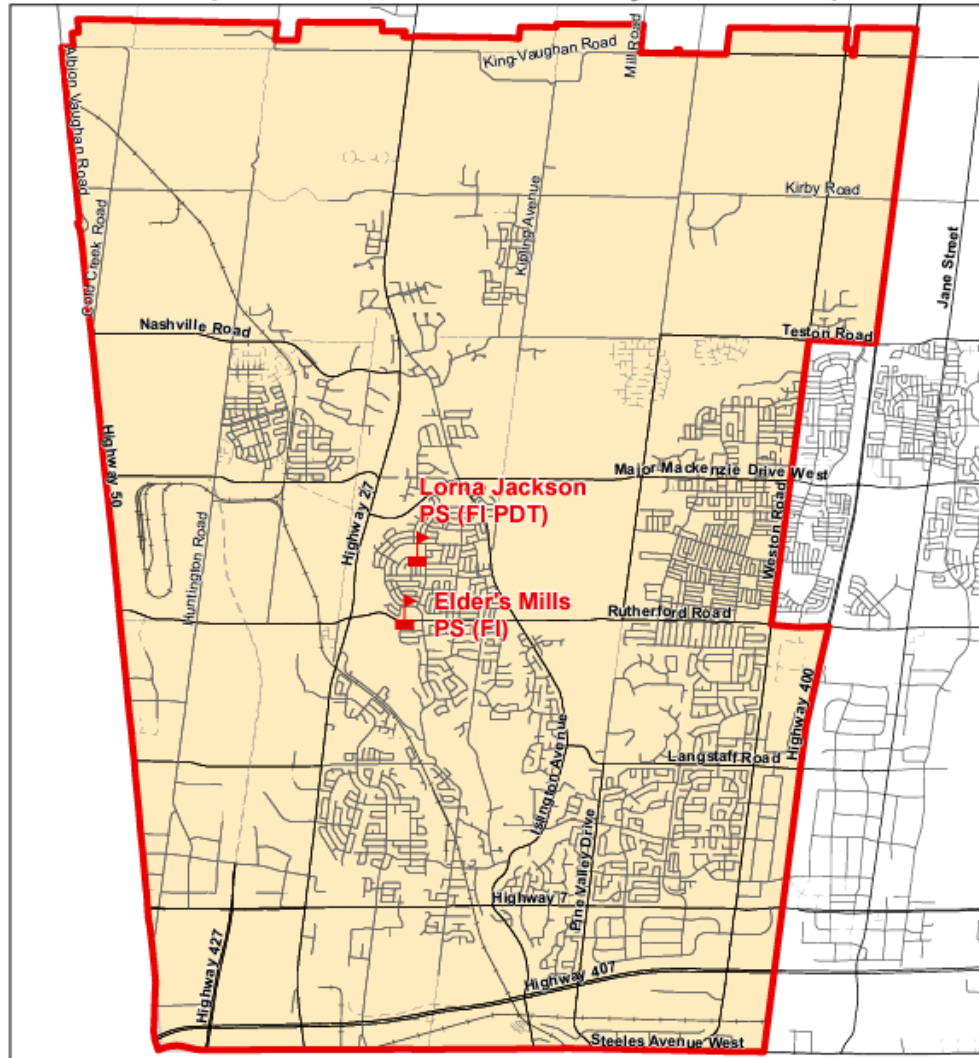
2023-24  
School Year





# Lorna Jackson PS, City of Vaughan (French Immersion Primary Dual Track)

## Current Boundary



### Legend

- Elementary School
- Secondary School
- School Boundary
- Holding Area
- Railway
- Urban Road
- Regional Road
- Proposed Road

### Notes

PDT = Primary Dual Track  
A complete list of feeder schools can be found at  
<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/fi/Pages/Program-Locations.aspx>

Boundary Approved: March 2009

Map Updated: August 2019

# Background:

## 2018 Start of PDT at Lorna Jackson PS

- In September 2018, Lorna Jackson PS opened a FI primary dual track program and received Grade 1 FI students from:

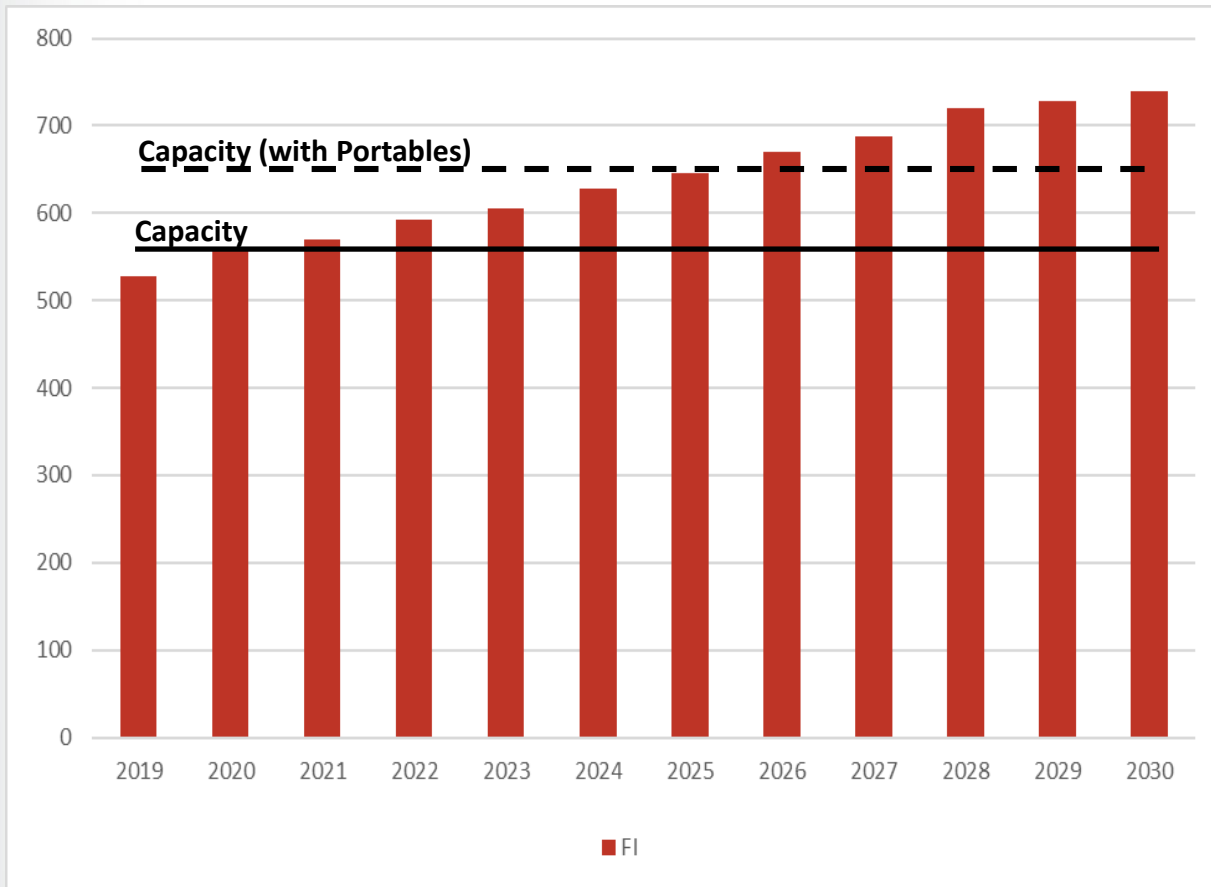
- Blue Willow PS
- Fossil Hill PS
- Johnny Lombardi PS
- Pierre Berton PS
- Kleinburg PS
- Lorna Jackson PS
- Pine Grove PS
- Woodbridge PS

Year	School	FI Grades
2009 to 2017	Elder's Mills PS	1-8
2018 to current	Lorna Jackson PS Elder's Mills PS	1 2-8

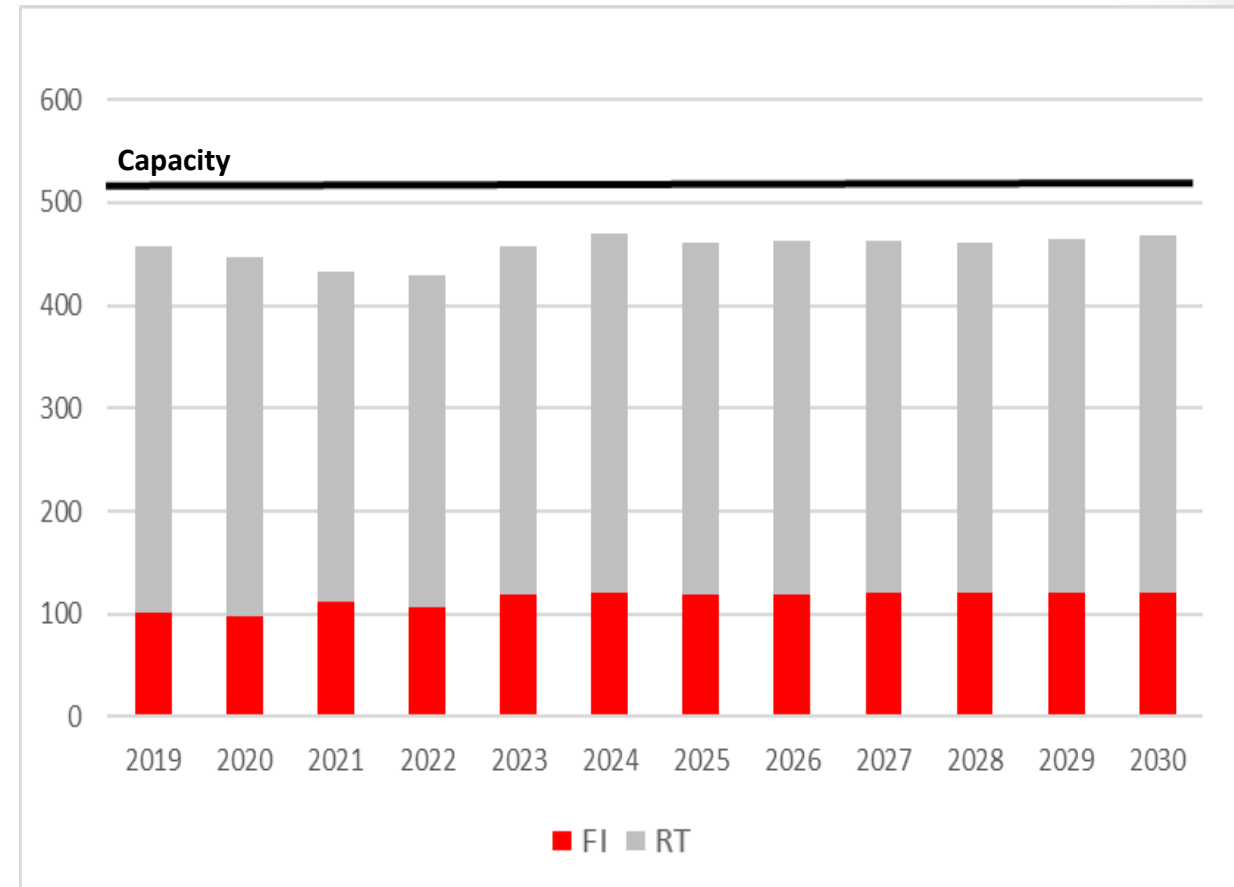
- Students attend Elder's Mills PS for Grades 2-8

# Current Enrolment

## Elder's Mills PS



## Lorna Jackson PS



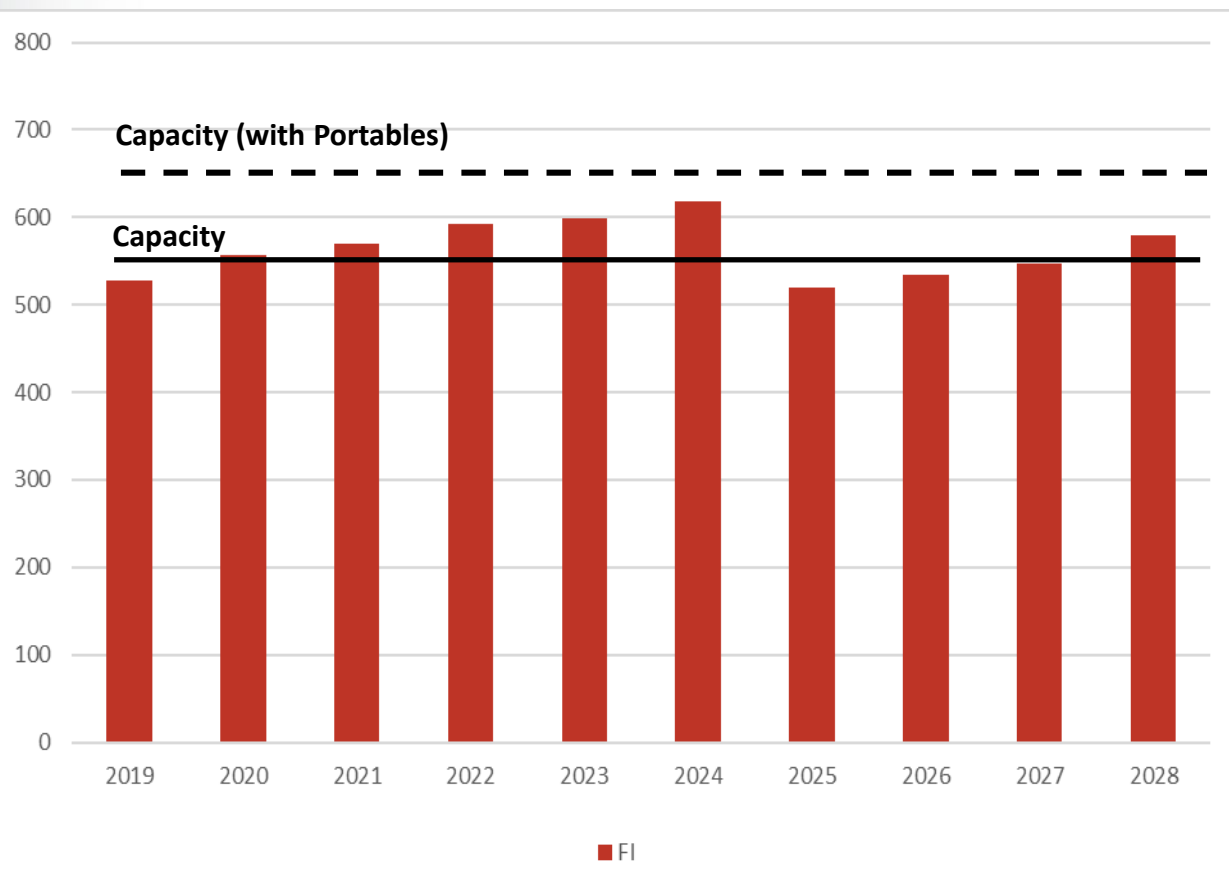
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Year	School	FI Grades
2024-2025	Lorna Jackson PS	1
	Pierre Berton PS	1
	Elder's Mills PS	2-8
2025-2026	Lorna Jackson PS	1-2
	Pierre Berton PS	1-2
	Elder's Mills PS	3-8

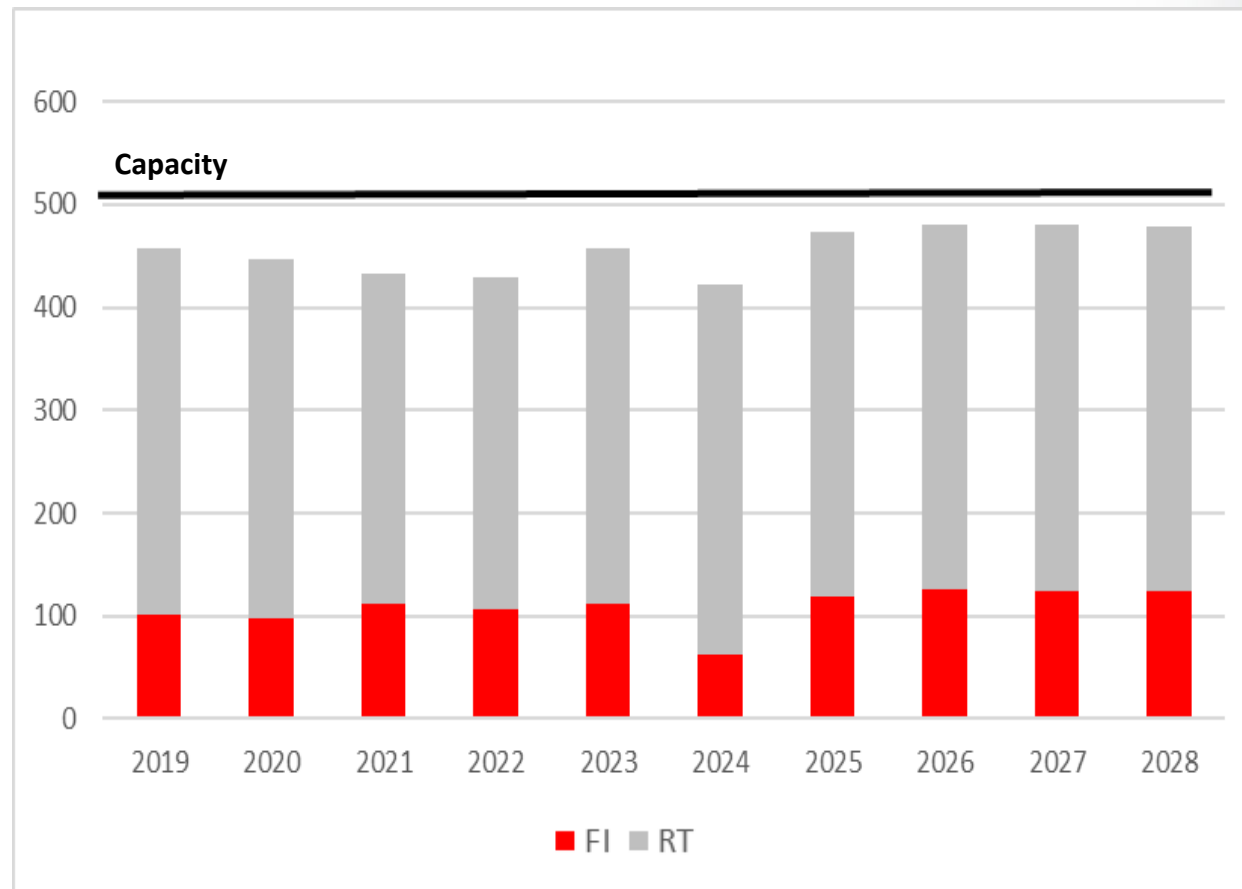
- Two PDT's will be required to accommodate French Immersion growth
- Elder's Mills PS cannot accommodate Grades 2-8 beyond 2024-25
- Implementation of 2 PDT's allows for French Immersion growth

# Projected Enrollment with Change

## Elder's Mills PS



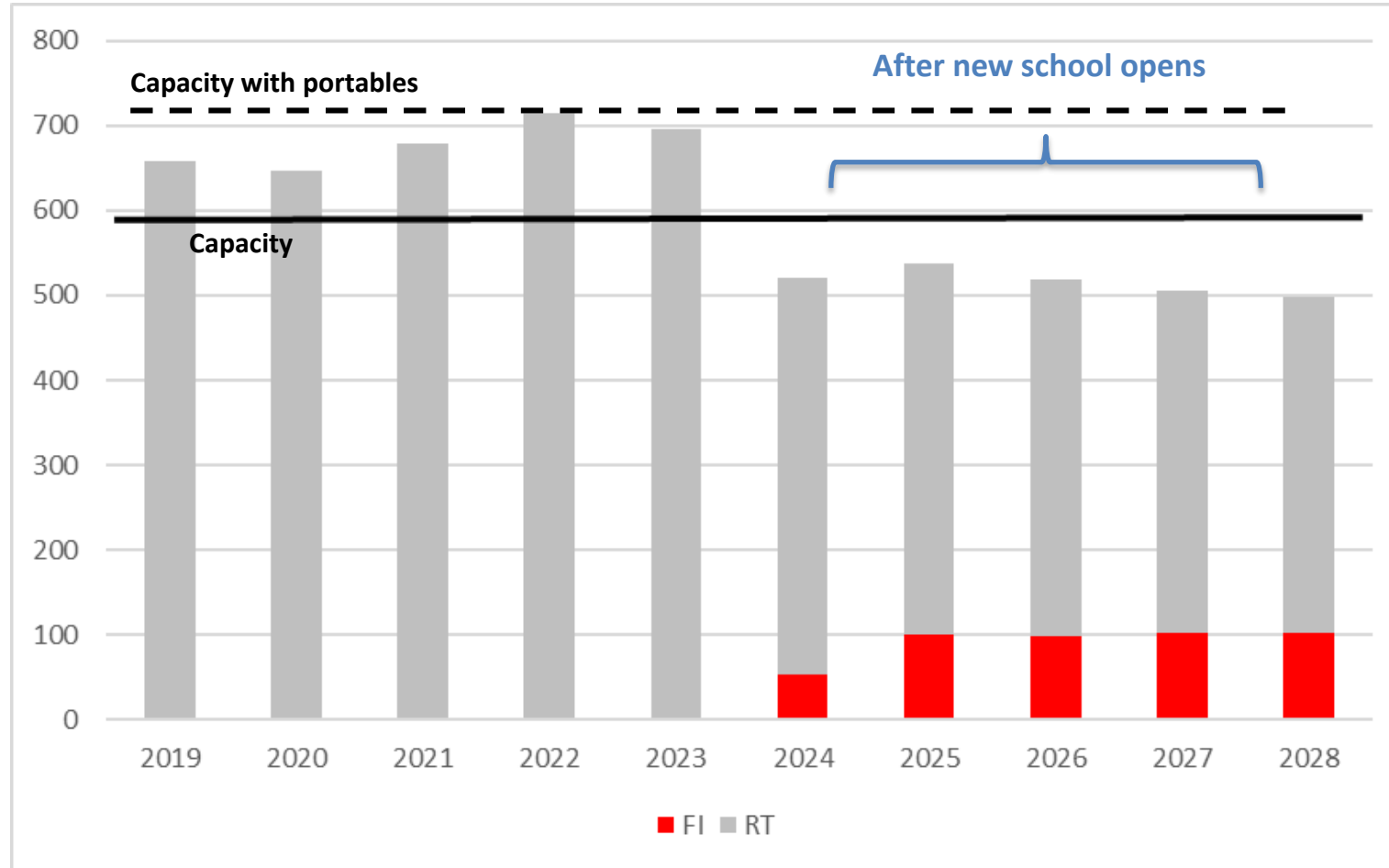
## Lorna Jackson PS





# Pierre Berton PS Enrolment

(holding for Kleinburg Nashville ES until Sept 2024 opening)

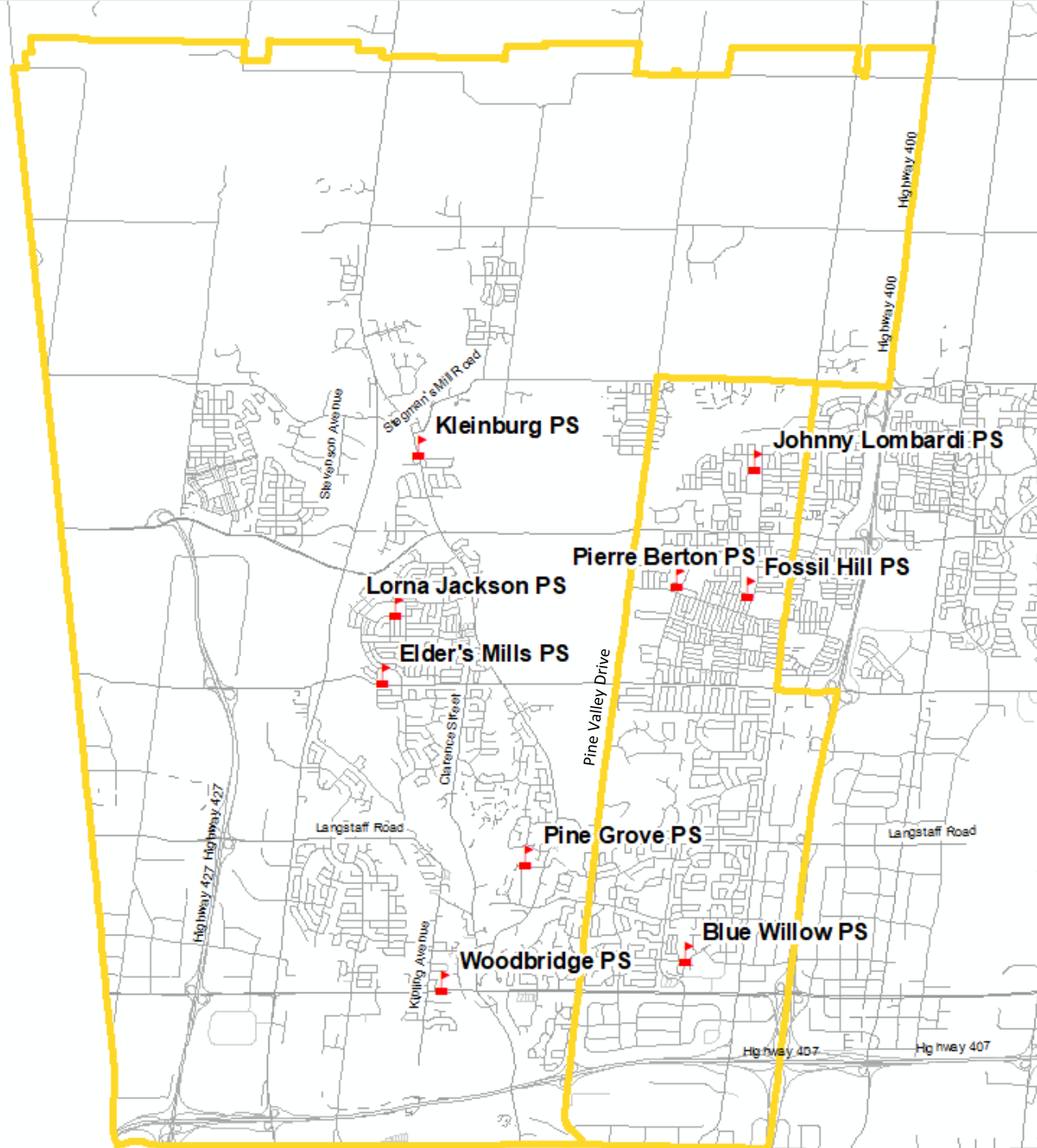


**Pierre Berton PS PDT:**

- Blue Willow PS
- Fossil Hill PS
- Johnny Lombardi PS
- Pierre Berton PS

**Lorna Jackson PS PDT:**

- Kleinburg PS (includes Kleinburg Nashville)
- Lorna Jackson PS
- Pine Grove PS
- Woodbridge PS



# French Immersion Accommodation Plan

- Open Grade 1 French Immersion PDT at Pierre Berton PS for September 2024.
- Current elementary feeders for the Lorna Jackson PS French Immersion PDT will be split between Lorna Jackson PS and Pierre Berton PS.
- Students entering Grade 1 French Immersion for September 2024 at Lorna Jackson PS and Pierre Berton PS will remain for Grade 2 in September 2025.
- Current Lorna Jackson PS Grade 1 FI students attend Elder's Mills PS for Grade 2-8 FI. As of September 2025, Elder's Mills PS will accommodate Grades 3-8 FI.
- The boundary will not be altered for this change.
- Enrolment is monitored on annual basis to determine if a future change is required.

# Transportation (Policy 680.0)

- Students are eligible for transportation if:
  - JK-3 students live >1.2km from school
  - Grade 4-8 students >1.6km from school
- Transportation stops will be posted in mid to late August 2024
- Student Transportation Services will determine routes in summer months  
[schoolbuscity.com](https://schoolbuscity.com) > Find Your Bus Stop,  
enter your address

# Timelines for Implementation

- School Councils & Staff Meetings
  - November 2023
  - Letter to Families
- Communication January 2024
  - YRDSB French Immersion Program Website:  
December 2023 /January 2024
  - French Immersion Information Session: January 18, 2024
- Learning Equity and Wellbeing Standing Committee
  - Spring 2024
- Implementation
  - September 2024

# Gr1 French Immersion Registration

➤ Gr1 French Immersion registration for the 2024-25 school year begins January 19, 2024

- Current YRDSB Students: contact English track homeschool to register, either phone or email
- For students not in YRDSB:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/school-programs/french-second-language/french-immersion-registration>

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