

# GUIDING OUR FUTURE: Engagement Data

## Table of Contents

<b>COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS .....</b>	<b>2</b>
SCENARIO 1 (REALIGNMENT: BES K-7 AND BRHS 8-12, HRS REMAINS K-9).....	2
SCENARIO 2: (REALIGNMENT: BES K-8 AND BRHS 9-12, HRS REMAINS K-9).....	10
SCENARIO 3: LEAVE SCHOOL CONFIGURATION AS IS .....	24
SCENARIO 4: WHAT IDEAS DO YOU HAVE? TELL US WHAT THE FUTURE MIGHT LOOK LIKE TO YOU: .....	34
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO CONSIDER AS WE CREATE A PLAN FOR JUNIOR HIGH PROGRAMMING IN BEAVERLODGE AND HYPHE?.....	35
WHAT QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE? .....	42
WHAT ARE YOUR HOPES & EXPECTATIONS FOR THIS CONVERSATION? .....	45
<b>STUDENT CONVERSATIONS.....</b>	<b>47</b>
HYPHE REGIONAL SCHOOL.....	48
BEAVERLODGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL .....	71
BEAVERLODGE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL .....	76
<b>STAFF DELIBERATIVE FORUMS .....</b>	<b>83</b>
SCENARIO 1 (RE-ALIGNMENT: BES K-7 AND BRHS 8-12).....	83
SCENARIO 2 (RE-ALIGNMENT: BES K-8 AND BRHS 9-12) .....	87
SCENARIO 3: LEAVE SCHOOL CONFIGURATION AS IS .....	90
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO CONSIDER AS WE CREATE A PLAN FOR JUNIOR HIGH PROGRAMMING IN BEAVERLODGE AND HYPHE?.....	94
WHAT ARE YOUR HOPES & EXPECTATIONS FOR THIS CONVERSATION? .....	97
<b>ONLINE SURVEY .....</b>	<b>100</b>
SCENARIO 1 (RE-ALIGNMENT: BES K-7 AND BRHS 8-12).....	100
SCENARIO 2 (RE-ALIGNMENT: BES K-8 AND BRHS 9-12) .....	149
SCENARIO 3: LEAVE SCHOOL CONFIGURATION AS IS .....	201
TELL US WHAT THE FUTURE MIGHT LOOK LIKE TO YOU .....	250
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO CONSIDER AS WE CREATE A PLAN FOR JUNIOR HIGH PROGRAMMING IN BEAVERLODGE AND HYPHE?.....	269
WHAT IS YOUR CONNECTION TO THIS CONVERSATION? PLEASE SELECT ALL THAT APPLY: .....	291
WHAT SCHOOL(S) ARE YOU AFFILIATED WITH?.....	295
WHAT COMMUNITY DO YOU MOST ASSOCIATE WITH? .....	300
<b>ALL OUR IDEAS.....</b>	<b>301</b>
THINKING ABOUT JUNIOR HIGH PROGRAMMING, WHICH STATEMENT BEST ALIGNS WITH YOU? ADD YOUR OWN IDEA HERE: .....	301

## Community Conversations

In-person community conversations took place on February 14, 15 and 16 in Beaverlodge, Hythe and Horse Lake First Nation. At each event, project team members shared the three scenarios for junior high programming under consideration and asked attendees to share the benefits, drawbacks and considerations for each scenario. Participants were encouraged to share their ideas for other ways to maximize benefits and address drawbacks and to ask questions for compilation and response.

### Events

February 14, 2023 – Beaverlodge Elementary School – *92 attendees*

February 15, 2023 – Hythe Regional School – *79 attendees*

February 16, 2023 – Horse Lake Arena – *16 attendees*

## Scenario 1 (Realignment: BES K-7 and BRHS 8-12, HRS remains K-9)

### Scenario 1: What are the benefits of this scenario

None
Consistent socializing for jr high (grade 7) because they have parents, grandparents present.
K-12 in Beaverlodge - less time on busses and more time engaged in the community and family.
Grade 7 staying with elementary
Although K-8 and 9 - 12 is more ideal, this keeps my children off the hwy,
Peace Wapiti will retain student numbers Students will be able to be a part of their community events
Increased safety (less bussing)
Keeps kids in public school (instead of catholic)
PWSD would retain & attract more students by offering an option to keep our childrens education in our community. Keeping funding in public schools.
Kids are on bus less & off major hwy - increased safety

My kids are happy at BES and would be happy to stay.
Keeping K-12: Beaverlodge students in their home community
Kids who were bullied in Elementary find a friend
More 7-9 teachers together allows for specialization and more programming. More collaboration means more educational opportunities,
None
Large 7-9 student population benefits Hythe & Beaverlodge students - More funding & programs, more opportunities to make friends and connections.
Knowledge & employability classes offered for those who need it.
The Catholic school will continue to grow and prosper in Beaverlodge
Maintains utilization of HRS - newish school with amenities and space for 7-9
Cultural diversity
BES will remain off the capital plan
Kids are ready for a change and to make new friends
I see no benefits in this scenario. At grade 7, kids are starting the process of maturing. They are at a place where they need to branch out of the elementary atmosphere.
The benefits are wholly biased to Beaverlodge. If this goes through, Hythe is the school that will have the most losses. There are NO benefits for HRS.
NONE. This impacts all of our children and communities. The fall out of this will be detrimental to all involved schools, students, business and the communities themselves
Overall - none actually worth mentioning.
None
There are none for the majority - This is for a select few.
No bus ride for Beaverlodge kids
More time in own communities
No benefits
none
I believe the benefit would be to Beaverlodge kids and community only. It serves only to bring benefit to that community.
The are zero benefits.
In our community, I believe the benefits are not worth the change.
Enrollment
There are none for the majority. This is for a select few.

None
It would keep junior highs in Beaverlodge
Less bussing for rural students. They have to commit to another 1/2 hour bus ride on top of an already long bus ride
Less transitions is better
We want students to stay in their communities, especially during their formative years.
Dangerous to have busses on this major highway - would like to see it eliminated
Beaverlodge is the only community in PWSD without JH programming
It's hard for parents to bring students to extra curricular in other communities
Students back in their own community. Parents have easier access to their children during the day and community knows many of the children. Most communities have their children in their own town.
No more single lane bussing. Busy highway
Some funds on gas and bus drivers back and forth to shop etc.
County children will not be on the bus for so many extra hours.
Miss community events
More opportunities for both schools to have their own team sports and more games can be played against the 2 towns
This scenario is only an option if K-8 @ BES and 9-12 @ BRHS doesn't happen. Beaverlodge students need to have a feeling of belonging. There is no reason to be sending the majority of the student population away to attend a school during the hardest years of their lives.
Anything that brings our kids home to their community is good
All Beaverlodge students would be kept in their home community. Less bussing. Community schooling K-12
Student safety
The main benefit of this scenario would be that our students would be back in Beaverlodge. I prefer a K-8 and 9-12 but if this is what the board wants, I would support
Utilize the current vacancy at the Beaverlodge elementary
Our children will be allowed to remain in their own community.
Still safely off the Hwy.
Access to family & all Beaverlodge has to offer.
At least our kids would be back in their community
Keeping kids in our own community
Less bus time
consistent environment
attend community events

---

mentorship from older siblings, grandparents

---

Our students will be at home, our students will participate in our community, our school will be able to grow and become a number 1 school again. Our children will benefit from special programs and help for special needs. Students can utilize all of the benefits from an active vibrant community. There is access to RCMP, EMS, Hospital. More students will be able to participate in more extra curricular activities. There will be no more dangerous bus trips on the highway.

---

Beaverlodge students are able to remain in their own community to receive their education (K-9) as was recommended in the independent study commissioned in the 1990's which was voted down by the existing school board at the time.

---

However, I feel BES K-8 & BRHS 9-12 is the best scenario. K-7 BES and 8-12 BRHS would be my second choice.

---

This is better than status quo. However scenario 2 is optimal.

---

Safer - less bussing

---

Continuity in education

---

With siblings and mentors

---

easier for parents to meet kids needs - extra curricular , assembly, concerts.

---

The children of Beaverlodge families would at least stay in the community

---

Less bus time

---

## Scenario 1: What are the drawbacks of this scenario?

---

8/9 semestered classes does not work well with the curriculum

Grade 8 not emotionally mature enough for high school

This doesn't seem to be

---

Potentially lower enrollment than what is projected

What happens to a school that is only 43% utilized?

Grade 8 is too young to be mixed with high school

Racial segregation

Community segregation

Junior high unprepared for HS without exposure to a different school/teachers/bigger population

---

BES does not have adequate resources (desks, full size lockers, PE equipment & large enough gym or bathrooms suitable for older kids.

---

I had a child in Grande Prairie Catholic. They merged here grade 8 year into the high school. It was not a positive or beneficial move for her or her classmates to be exposed to 17 year old students. All best practices stopped this and they moved away from it. It would caution people willingly exposing their very young impressionable people to this extremely stressful situation

---

---

I feel bringing the communities together is so beneficial to the students. So many friends are made and continue the rest of their lives. We need all the kids together for funding and programs. When something is working so WELL, why change it. I don't want grades 8 and 9 to mix early with the High School, too much immaturity. A high school teacher told me its because of the elementary, junior high and high school is why so many kids go on to higher education. we have a very high rate in Beaverlodge of kids going on, thats because of the Elementary and Junior High Schools. Everything is working so well, LEAVE IT ALONE. We live in a rural community so BUSSing isn't a ISSUE. Go live in GP if you dont want to ride a bus, Oh, even there they have TOO.

---

I don't want the see the funding split. I love the diversity of children at the current HRS.  
This would split our childrens options for school sports potentially detering kids from playing sports and learning to love being active.

---

Sad to see another attempt to separate the communities  
Why fix something that isn't broke! Stand up for togetherness.

---

If BES takes on their own 7-9, HRS wont be able to continue the level of education for their 7-9  
Also, the kids like it best when new students are introduced into HRS at Grades 7-9

---

7-9 kids losing their options (Classes)  
not enough kids in either town for after school sports  
Hythe 7-9 closing - then where do they fit in? How will Beaverlodge house them?

---

BES will lose space for their "extra" things like fine arts or their sensory room if they keep more grades.

---

Loss sof diversity amongst students (cultures, communities, interests, voices)

---

Having Gr 8/9 in High school will have PWSD enrollment go down! What parent wants their grade 8 child with 18 year olds? I would change schools

---

Funding reduced for HRS Jr students  
Sports teams toom small, not viable  
Sense of community between Hythe and Beaverlodge stressed  
Loss of employment for HRS staff

---

Loss of support staff for both communities

---

Students are not ready to be integrated with the older kids at this age. ei: Grade 8's and Grade 12's  
Students lose the opportunity to mix with the other schools in the Junior high age which is so important for friendships.

---

Splitting total jr high funding for the area would result in neither school able to offer a full slate of programs.  
Less exposure to a more diverse student body for Beaverlodge kids  
Younger kids not ready for the high school environment, many high schools that include Grade 9 have them in a separate wing and BRHS isn't set up for that, young students would be in with the older students.

---

This has been & will always be a racism issue. Horselake is a part of this community as well. Keeping these kids together at HRS keeps all these communites connected.

---

8-12 is a huge age gap. .Grade 8's & 9's are not ready for all the independence High School offers.  
Jr High teachers are very specialized. Will the move cause staffing issues? Subbing in both communities is tough but we can benefit by having specific JrH subs offered in one community. They make all the difference and they cant be in two places at once

---

---

Grade 7's won't benefit from extra cirricular with the lower grades. Is Beaverlodge elementary able to host games? Specialty coaches offered? Coast for all extracirricular activities are then split amongst 3 schools. Is this really what needs to happen?

---

split friendships

Split communities

Less specialized teachers for our students

Overly large classes after teachers lose positions/are transferred after transition occurs

Loss of CSW

---

Amount of costs to bring BES up to Grade - currently has ZERO room for growth

Extra students at BES comes at a loss for our kikds with special needs. They lose their space to be frustrated, loud, excited.

Loss of transportation grant for bussing

---

Grade 8 & 9 may not be emotionally ready to be exposed to High School environment

---

Divide communities (friendships are not fostered at a young age)

Grade 8 & ( are too young & immature for High School

Programing for all Jr High Students would suffer

No specialized teachers

Why spending unnecessary \$\$ to make these changes?

Gr 7's would suffer in an elementary school

There would be no "fresh start" for Grade 7's, like there is now.

Students would be separated & segragated

---

What happens when the BRHS is past capacity? Is Peace Wapiti going to build a new school in Beaverlodge at what cost to taxpayers?

I think this is a racism issue.

---

Grade 8 students mixing with 18 year olds is NEVER a positive, vehicles on site, no cirriculum in place for Grade 8 & 9 at BRHS. Exposed to more adult behavior, maturity level is to big of a gap form Grade 8 - 12.

---

Are grade 8 emotionally mature enough for High School?

---

I've taught junior high in the past. Grade 8's don't have the maturity to handle all the situations that high school offers.

---

In my experience working in a Jr. High, grade 8's are not ready to be in High School. This change will only cause problems for the children. We need to put their age appropriate emotional development before anything else.

---

Social aspect, maturity levels, open campus at BRHS (HRS is a closed campus, this is good)

---

I think grade 8 is too young for high school

---

Grade 8 is too young to be with high school

---

loss of cultural diversity if students don't go to Hythe

---

Grade 8 is too young to be with 9-12. Better to stay K-8, 9-12 I agree

---

K-8 9-12

---

Better model is K-8 & 9-12

---

---

traditional split is (K-8) & (9-12). Hythe remains K-9

---

Grade 8 is too early

Freshman - 9

Sophomore - 10

Junior - 11

Senior - 12 This is the high school norm.

---

Grande 8's and 9's are no where near close enough to enter a senior high setting. They're still learning responsibilities and growth. The Beaverlodge high school is not equipped to school grades below 10 without mixing students. Also putting students into a semester system.

---

Gr 8's and 9's are not ready for high school. This could be detrimental to their mental health. They will be exposed to things they shouldn't be exposed to. Grade 7's would be elementary students again and by Grade 7, they need to change/transition out of elementary. Friendships will not be fostered with other communities. Students won't be exposed to communities, students won't be exposed to diversity which teaches them many things.

---

HRS enrollment level will drop, possibly affecting the feasibility of the school. HRS students may have to be bussed to Beaverlodge

---

Too young (Grade 7-9) to be introduced to an open campus High School

---

Less funding, split classes in both communities. Less teachers, teachers aids pending on students who have coding (will decide which school & classes) receive extra assistance.

---

Does not actually address the underlying problems at Beaverlodge is truly facing.

---

Takes away very important resources and programs that are needed in Hythe and even as they stand now, these programs could be improved.

---

Taking away from Hythe

---

Adding more pressure/classroom size to both schools in Beaverlodge.

---

Hythe students would still have to bus to Beaverlodge for High school, benefits only Beaverlodge students.

---

Takes away relationships form Hythe/Beaverlodge kids that would normally occur going to Junior high in Hythe. Way younger kids going to school with high school kids.

---

Can grade 8-9 students properly mingle with High school students, what does this do to the Hythe, Horse Lake students that attend K-9 then get tossed in. It make the whole situation awkward for all.

---

Decreased numbers in Hythe

---

Segregation of communities that depend on each other

---

Loss of transportation grants.

---

Smaller class sizes, less funding for Hythe.

---

Young kids with 18 year olds

---

Strained gym, would there be enough kids for school sports teams? Basketball, volleyball

---

Hythe is the newest school in PWSD and we would be pulling kids from that into older schools.

---

Grade 8 & 9 are NOT ready to enter the high school life, not mentally ready.

---



Not enough kids at either school for after school sports.
School team too small
Reduced numbers = reduced programs
inter community connection weakened.
BES programs reduced.
What student to teacher ratios are expected? Will this provide educators the best opportunity to educate/pay attention to youth.
What happens to 7-9 level sporting? Will these current programs be able to continue feeding the high school programs?
Well the drawbacks are I feel very ? That being to hurt the community and Kids of Hythe
The drawbacks are that you would have children that are not old/mature enough in a school with people that are close to moving out & some are even adult aged. You are exposing them to situation they are not prepared for
Funding, enrollment and segregation for split families to put kids in 2 different towns
I feel that this scenario is not good. I don't feel a 13 year old grade 8 student should be in a school with an 18 year old student.
If Hythe loses their students to Beaverlodge, will this school (HRS) even be open at all.
Where are all these extra teachers that are needed going to come from?
Afraid with Hythe losing Jr High kids that are student numbers will go down and Hythe regional school will lose funding.
Segregation of communities
Loss of transportation grants.
Difficult integration socially for students at HRS when they reach BRHS
Not a good use of resources and buildings already in place.
Smaller numbers = less programs; higher probability of split classes.
Small numbers = no school teams or weak teams
Splitting total jr high student funding between two junior high schools results in two schools both unable to offer robust slate of programming due to insufficient funding.
Grade 7 students have a massive jump from their kindergarten-Grade 7 school directly into high school without an intermediate step
None
Grade 8 is too young to be attending high school (10-12) Grade students
None - K-8 would be better.
Grade 8 is too young for high school

I don't see there being a lot of drawbacks. I only see K-8 and 9-12 being a better scenario
Grade 8's should not go to school with high school kids.
I would prefer K-8, 9-12 for Beaverlodge.
I would prefer K-8, 9-12 for Beaverlodge.
Grade 8 not mentally ready for High School
None
Grade 8 students would be a better fit with the K-7 students.
Some concerns with Grade 7 in high school
Don't love Grade 8 (my daughter would be 12) with the grade 12's
Funding cuts to specialized.
Separating and combining students at different age levels may have mental & emotional growth drawbacks.
No hot lunch
Less kids = less sports, groups, extra curricular.
Segregation
Having Jr high students around High school students sounds like trouble. Let Jr high be Jr High. Kids grow up too fast as it is!
I do not see a problem
Grade 8 are not mature enough for high school. They need more time to be a kid

## Scenario 2: (Realignment: BES K-8 and BRHS 9-12, HRS remains K-9)

### Scenario 2: What are the benefits of this scenario?

None
None
There are non for the majority
All one sided
This only benefits Beaverlodge parents. The students do not want this. Do what's best for the students!
Keeps the kids around the teachers they know and trust
Allows BES to attract families, Put us back on the capital plan

---

No more CSW - attendance is terrible on these Fridays at the high school now. With No CSW, the attendance would likely increase.

---

Less Bussing

---

Less School transitions are beneficial to all students but in particular Extremely beneficial for inclusive /special needs students.

---

Parents more likely to volunteer due to convenience

---

K-8 9-12 is the way it is across Canada for year. It's time to change.

---

Keep my kids off Hwy

---

Have our kids bus less

---

Builds an even stronger community feel.

Less time on busses.

More activities in our school

---

Having my child stay close allows for more activities out/in school. Less time driving, more time doing.

---

Being educated in this exact layout, it gives students time to nurture and develop meaningful personal/educational relationships

---

Convenience for families

Less travel/bussing

more opportunities for extra curricular

Opportunities for utilizing Beaverlodge facilities without travel (pool)

---

We get to keep our students and teachers, increase enrollment

---

Junior High students will benefit from being in their own community.

---

Consistent Environment from K-8

---

Easier access to assist your child when they are in community you live & work in

---

It is easy for parents to have their children attend school within their community

I relocated here and had no vehicle. You can imagine if St. Mary's school was not within this community what could have happened.

Parents have less stress

---

Mentorship Grades K-12 at Beaverlodge

---

Student has consistency K-8 and transition of 1 year earlier is doable.

---

We totally agree with k-8 & 9-12

---

Cultural diversity is available in every community

---

We are in favor of Grade 7 & 8 in BES and Grade 9 in BRHS. The older students become mentors to the younger students.

---

Added community involvement from local students staying in their home community

---

---

Children stay in a school where they and their parents have already developed a familiarity and comforting relationships with staff. This is especially important during their emotional/social development in their early teen years.

---

6 teachers in a Grade 5 class in far too many!

---

The loss of 150 students at this school should wake everyone up!

---

The loss of special programs in this school is a travesty!

---

More mentorship possibilities and extra cirricular program opportunities between the junior high students and the elementary

---

Access to more ammenities, hospital and police department

---

3 year high school goes fast - an extra year to make career choice

---

As a town councillor, I have noticed the problems we encounter from not having a junior high growth of our community

tax base

taxes for the public school

Students missing special events

Students now learning and practicing a sense of community

students would have a chance to use town amnenities

---

Being an attractive alternative to the Catholic School K-9. Right now, there is no contest. Families are choosing St. Mary's K-9

---

Not putting our kids on busses, on a single lane highway with 10,000 + vehicles a day is the only benefit we need. Bring them home.

---

Keeps public school students in the public system. Stops the loss of students to the Separate System (BSM)

---

Opportunities for Jr & Sr sports teams - more kids can play sports

---

Keeps kids in a familiar community

---

More consistent relationships with staff, students & families

Families have already transferred and more will transfer to keep their kids in their community

---

Hythe students are favored over the Beaverlodge kids.

---

Beaverlodge parents are coaching in Hythe. Why not have them travel less?

---

Chances of a new Peace Wapiti School in Beaverlodge may increase with higher utilization of BES & BRHS!

---

We have lost 6 teachers and more than 9 million dollars in 6 years.

---

Lots of opportunity for local sports & events (Swimming, Curling, skating, art walk, grad, celebrations)

More sports venues in Beaverlodge to be used.

---

Education programming for counselling, special education, students with need are currently not being met because of money

---

This is the best case scenario for the majority of families. Beaverlodge is a HUB community. Time for change. I look forward to the future of education in Beaverlodge. Beaverlodge K-8 & 9 -12

---

---

#### Semester system & more options BRSH 9-12

---

Shorter bus times for elementary kids, because of not having to transition to Hythe.

Right now, ours kids are on the bus for an hour in the morning and 70-80 minutes in the evening.

The longer bus commutes lead to more confrontations on the bus and more stress form kids getting restless and tired.

Young kids are also having accidents on the bus because of the long commute. This adds to the bullying and embarassment. Kids hurry up and eat a big breakfast and are forced to sit on a bus for 2+ hours.

---

#### Junior & Senior Sports teams BRHS 9-12

---

This will allow BES to show growth and prosper "capital plan"

---

Juior high students could continue swimming lessons as part of the school cirriculum providing the town with more lifeguards in the future.

---

Lets ALL kids have the opportunity to do after school sports. Gives kids back the time they are losing on the BUS!!

---

Cutting bussing costs will free up much needed \$\$ that can be invested into mental health supports - A great Need!

---

Bussing 3 Bus loads of children on a busy 2 lane highway 2 times a day is ludicrous.

---

Peace Wapiti's first concern should be retaining students

---

The advantage of continuity between curriculum of divisions with teaching at different levels. Ie: Jr High/Sr Grade 6/Grade 8

---

We have both RCMP & hospital for our kids safety

---

Keep children in their own community -- they develop friendships/sense of community. Keep off the roads in winter. K-8 perfect if it can happen at BES.

---

So many community events that Jr High students could be part of and they could have the chance to be involved in their community

---

From a business perspective, it makes no sense to transport BL kids to Hythe when there is room in BES. Save \$\$ on bussing and keep kids in their own community

---

Peace Wapiti would be an attractive option for new families coming to Beaverlodge with BES k-8

---

More community events

keeping our kids in our community

Easier for extra curricular sports

less bussing

more recess

no more CSW

---

Kids can grow within their own community

---

Building our closest community

Reduced bussing and more time at home

Build sports programs from elementary and on into Junior high in Beaverlodge

---

Keeping our kids in their community

better use of empty classrooms in both elementary and high school

---

Less travelling on busy highway bring students numbers back up
Consistent Education, Only 1 school transition for both Beaverlodge & Hythe students. Beaverlodge K-8, split 9-12 Hythe split (K-9 & 10-12)
Convenience with regard to travel
There are no good reasons to implement this.
None
None: This impacts all of our kids and the communities. The fall out of this will be detrimental to all involved schools, students, business and the communities themselves.
None
None
None
Beaverlodge students remain in their community to belong to their surroundings. To contribute to their community, their neighbors, their seniors. They will become contributing factors to society when they are older because they will have a sense of contributing to their peers. The Beaverlodge students NEED to "feel" like they belong.
Kids will go to school with the same group of friends through school. Less distractions when new friends present in Grade 7
BRHS/BES would attract more teachers/families if they could stay in the community
Less bussing - long bus times for rural Beaverlodge students
Keep kids local
Kids stay local for school sports. Parents do not have to travel to pick up kids from sports in Hythe.
School hours would be more consistent in all schools. BES would not have to start earlier to accommodate other school start times.
Fill elementary school
Maybe one day, get a new school
Keep Beaverlodge Jr Highs in Beaverlodge
Less time on bus, leading to less bussing costs
Children would experience few transitions and have more time to develop connections with familiar adults. This is especially important for children with special needs.
More access to what Beaverlodge has to offer(Facilities & events)
Increased parent involvement and engagement with the school due to closer proximity
My kids stay in her home town, not travelling

---

Beaverlodge students need to stay within their own community. Moving them into a different community does not allow these students to continue their sense of belonging

---

Just bring the students back to their own community. When I was in school, it was 7-12. Teachers and parents were involved and made this work with all grades. Families have different ages in their home and school environment should be respect for all ages.

---

Bussing

---

Safety

---

Community events

---

This the best - Grade 9 will fit better in High School than Grade 8. Grade 9 will be able to join High school sports teams and grow with them making them stronger. The town would benefit as more families would consider Beaverlodge as a good place to make their home.

---

Many which have been discussed over and over the last 25 years. Beaverlodge Junior High students educated in their own community as recommended by the study done in the 1990's which stated K-9 students should stay in their own communities.

---

Not as many students are travelling on our busy highway between Beaverlodge and Hythe with the Beaverlodge Junior High students being educated in their own community

---

The benefits of this scenario would allow students to remain in their home community without transitioning at very young age.

---

Less time lost on a Bus

---

Keep kids off Hwy 42 - Single lane hazard!

---

Allows Peace Wapiti to be competitive in attracting students to attend Beaverlodge elementary.

---

BES has a chance to be back on Capital plan.

---

K to Grade 8 works well for classroom programming. It's difficult to add grade 9

---

Keep Jr High kids in their own community - this builds sense of pride and ownership in town.

---

More sports opportunities because Jr & Sr sports teams. Therefore more kids get to play.

---

Lots of space in elementary school that is not being utilized.

---

Time on busses will be shortened

---

More time for school

---

Access to pool, curling, and community events

---

No trips to Hythe to pick up the kids.

---

Keeping our children in their own community.

---

Keeping our children off the Busy Highway

---

The first high school game seen shouldn't be the one the student is playing in. We have the space now - use it.

---

Keeps students in community

---

---

Keeps busses off highway - may be busier than it was 53 years ago.

---

Extra curricular activities more accessible.

---

Less time wasted in school day

---

Makes Beaverlodge more attractive to new residents. (Where is the Junior High?)

---

Less \$\$ spent on transportation

---

BES will likely lose newer families to St Mary's going forward - it is unfortunate for the school to be losing families due to St Mary's policies but to turn around and hurt another school and jr high programming in the area generally is not the solution

---

Keep the students in our community, less time on the bus, less transitions for kids with special needs, able to enjoy and partake in community events. Better mentorship between older/younger kids, fill our current school in our own community.

---

Kids can stay closer to home so it becomes easier to become involved with the school/sports/students. It's a scary exchange to start taking a separate bus to a middle school when you're barely 13. The whole school process should be available PUBLICLY for all years of school. Also less time riding busses, more time learning/interacting or getting very needed breaks!! Kids should have schooling in their own community from all K-12.

---

This would benefit me as a single working mom to be able to accomodate the needs of my child. I want to keep her in public education if this is not possible, I will have to switch to Catholic. My child benefits greatly from this scenario as she will have continually be in her home community, have access to more ammenities, be closer to a hospital & police department, be involved in community events. She will also not be on a bus unnecessarily being bussed on a busy highway put her life at unnecessary risk.

---

The 1-6 grades get more interaction with older kids in an athletic and social setting.

---

Grade 9 children enter a semester setting younger making th schedule easier by grade 10

---

Sports teams will have more players on teams and have an extra year of development making college/university teams more attainable.

---

This scenario gives me great comfort as a mother, auntie to a 14 year old & 17 year old. We went through the current situation and found that there was a huge disconnect having my children in another community. If my children were educated in their home community where we reside, I would be more involved parent at school. My children are in all school sports and I spend way to much time on the highway and riding the bus risking their lives. Time for change

---

Safety for our kids, the travel is such a waste of everyone's time. Its 4 more hours my children are on the highway. If we wanted our kids to go to school in Hythe, we would move to Hythe. We have hospital and police beside our schools for added safety in case of emergencies. Older and younger siblings will be with each other at school. Parents don't have to travel to pick up kids for sports or drop them off. Change already!

---

Our kids stay in their community which allows them the availability to go home when sick, hungry, an accident or forgot something important. Gives them an hour or more a day back that they are losing on the Bus! Potentially, saves their lives as they aren't on the 10,000+ vehicle highway a day! Also, the closeness to a hospital. THIS MATTERS!

---



---

Retaining our student body. Peace Wapiti can not ignore this problem any more. We are losing kids to St. Mary's. New families are choosing St. Mary's. My daughter is in grade 6. Since K, she has lost 6 friends to St. Mary's (which = 6 families). My son in K now only has 32 kids in total. Beaverlodge is not a dying community. It is thriving. Our public school should be too.!

---

My family is very involved with Beaverlodge with owning businesses & volunteering in a variety of organizations. The benefit of my kids staying in Beaverlodge would be huge - security, involvement, foster leadership in town events if opportunities were given. I want to see them walking around town at lunch! Feeling happy, confident & secure in their familiar environment. Not going to a "closed campus" neighbouring town in a K-9 school.

---

Kids will still meet kids from Hythe - hockey is very competitive between the communities and it is fine.

---

Kids don't have to bus (the highway is busier than it used to be)

---

Kids aren't being moved from one elementary school to another (when it was separate junior high, it was different)

---

Keep kids in the community

---

Ability to generate meaningful longterm relationship with student/teachers.

---

Less time spent bussing, more time at home.

---

Increased time at home

---

Utilization of existing facility

---

Increased opportunities to utilize amenities offered in Beaverlodge.

---

Kids stay in their own community

---

Better mentorship within their own community as they are known to the community

---

Access to public facilities (rink, pool for gym school classes)

---

Easier access to the kids for parents that work in Beaverlodge (not having to run to Hythe to pick them up)

---

Consistent environment

---

Don't see any benefits, separating kids

---

Important for kids to be close to home.

---

## Scenario 2: What are the drawbacks of this?

---

Research suggests adults who engage children in a culturally responsive education experiences help to: Build young children's self confidence & skills,  
Increase children's awareness, appreciation & inclusion of diverse beliefs & cultures, maximize children's academic achievement and educational success

---

We are trading low enrolment at one school (BES) for low enrollment at another school (HRS)

---

Kids who are bullied by their peers from BES JK-Grade 6 will not receive fresh starts. They may be desperate for in grade 7 at HRS.

---

---

Segrating Hythe & Horselake students is a step backward in truth & reconciliation

---

This creates conflict, divide and disconnect between two communities that could work together & compliment each other

---

We are putting off the students joining together at a younger age when they really could use a fresh start with new school, new teachers, new friends, new experiences

Loss of so many programs & options & resources for both schools

---

All drawbacks for Scenario B & Scenario C are the same

---

Too many split classes will occur at both schools

Specialized teachers will be teaching all subjects = lack of quality education

---

Bringing all 3 communities together provides friendships that are desperately needed by students from all of the communities. Taking that away would be detrimental to many students

---

Peers who remain in the same community for too long with the same kids/teachers are not challenged. They have false sense of security

---

The later the interaction between kids of differet communties, the harder it is socially. (Awkward ages for Kids)

---

Splitting the total Jr high funding for the area will result in 2 junior highs of smaller size and neither able to offer a full slate of programs, teachers, etc.

Less social diversity exposure

Moving to a new school for Grade 7 can be a fresh start for many students after 7 years in one school.

Jump from your elementary school straight to high school would be too much

Playing "hot Potato"= someone's going to end up with low enrollement, BL is wanting to pass it off to Hythe (from a BL parent)

---

The kids needto be aligned at the grade 7 level, not grade 10. More accepting at a younger age. Friends are made at a younger age.

Less funding for Hythe school.

No "option" classes compared to what we have now.

---

Instead of building relationships in junior high, it will create tension and community rivals.

---

Bus drivers lose jobs because the transfer route could be lost

Loss of CSW days can mean staffing shortages - lots of staff book personal appointments on CSW days to prevent getting a substitute

Loss of specialized teachers to bigger schools where they can keep their specialty

---

Safety concern at BL

Old school, Lead paint, asbestos, no sprinkler system, have to get water from across the street in an emergency

Why put more kids in an old school?

---

The communities need to work as one under PW not split and cause conflict

---

Extra curricular activites. . How would that work? Grade 9's compete with High School . . Those are big ability gaps.

Grade 8's won't be able to form their own community being with such an age gap of kids.

Hythe offers own space to help develop new independence.

Beaverlodge gym too small to accomodate Jr High sports

---

---

Long run . . Beaverlodge will need a new school which is costly. Very one sided approach . Welcome to the GREAT DIVIDE

---

Loss of great teachers & Programming in a school that is functioning quite well

---

This creates conflict between communities

Kids remaining in the space area/same teachers/ same peers is not exposure enough to prepare for high school

No fresh starts for kids who may need one.

---

Segregation of communities will greatly affect the mental health of students.

---

Is it really expected that if any change takes place - that the Hythe & Horselake parents will still be affected by almost every point Beaverlodge is highlighting to try and force change/

---

HRS is designed to give the kids a little bit of independence after elementary. A small stepping stone before High school transition. Keeping them at BES until grade 8 will lose that stepping stone

---

Life long friendships are fostered in Jr High. Dividing the communities will end this!

Grade 9' are not mature enough for High School.

Grade 7 & 8's at BES will suffer being in an elementary. At HRS, the 7-9 and K-6 are 2 separate schools under the same roof

Lose bus funding

Neither BES or HRS will be able to offer all the special programming, the extra circular, specialized teachers, options

BES is NOT set up for Junior High Students

No Diversity at BES, students NEED to be informed, & introduced to new cultures.

---

Significant cost to get BES up to a point where they can accommodate more grades

Loss of social connections between youth in the region

Loss of funding to PWSD for bussing

Small classes - small Jr High # = reduced funding

---

Will result in fewer options for the kids & lower quality education

---

HRS, BES, BRHS will all possibly lose speciality teachers to the larger schools in Grande Prairie or beyond!

---

I am very disappointed that the board let the situation get to this point. The old rivalry's have been enflamed & discension is at an all time high. We are 12 minutes apart & like it or not, we are one big community

---

BES has NO room for growth (small bathrooms, no kitchen, no parking)

HRS is fully functional as a junior high already and has extra space.

---

It is 2023. Why are we trying to segregate kids into separate schools that will not be able to offer the programming HRS provides? Also why won't Beaverlodge talk about their unlying reason? RACISM

---

It will be many years before BL is approved for a new school

---

BES and BLRH have small parking lots. Parking could become an issue. BES has a small gym. How will they accommodate K-8 PE programming?

---

Bus Drivers will lose bus routes. Losing wages!

---

"If" parents are leaving BES for any reason other than bussing, how will PW address & rectify these issues, adding years to a child's stay will not fix anything

---

---

Kids need to interact & be aware of other cultures, need those friendships that are created with meeting kids from other communities. HRS currently meets these needs. Great Teachers

---

Mentally, it's a lot for junior high kids to adapt when their peers have been there for a year already

---

Kids from Hythe going into BRHS in grade 10 will be at a disadvantage to Beaverlodge kids who were there in Grade 9 socially

---

Losing transportation grant for Hythe

---

This school was designed for K-9 students! Why waste money on infrastructure when we can utilize what is here! Use that money for kids and programming.

---

None - I attended Sexsmith and it was a 9-12. Worked well way back then

---

Concerns with semesters for Grade 9 at BRHS - Students need time to practice skills learned. Jr High curriculum not designed for semesters.

---

Please listen

---

50 years LATE. Too long on bus

---

None for BES

---

Bulld for all of Elementary. Time for a change.

---

Concern for Grade 9's to mix with grade 10-12's because of maturity level, social aspects and open campus (BRHS has) HRS is closed campus

---

Splitting total Jr high student funding between 2 schools will result in neither school with enough funding to offer a full slate of programs and services

---

NONE - Time for change

---

Low utilization of a building designed for Junior High @ HRS. Crowding at BES & BRHS.

---

Loss of cultural diversity if students don't go to Hythe.

---

No drawbacks for BES students

---

K & E programming will not be offered as a stand alone, just included in mainstream classes.

---

Separating communities is harmful to all students and staff involved. It is a necessity to keep the cultures together. Also with the loss of funding, what programs get cut? Which teachers lose their jobs?

---

The staffing ration for K-6 students will not increase with the addition of 7 & 8. With 4 Jr High classes added, there is in fact the distinct possibility of a 6/7 and 7/8 split grades. BES

---

BES has extra classrooms which are not being used for home rooms. At least three of these are now being used for specialty rooms such as fine arts, arts, and special Education. These rooms would be needed for Junior High home rooms so special facilities will be reduced. BES

---

BES is currently a Compressed School Week facility, meaning that they get 9 Fridays off each year to make up for extended hours. This would no longer be the case as their day would be shortened.

---

Gym facilities likely double booked for classes. BES

---

Washrooms, playgrounds will be more congested with a broader age range of students. BES

---

---

Beaverlodge Grade 9 students put onto the semester system. More intense learning placed upon them in the shorter period of time. BRHS

---

High school teachers covering any Grade 9 classes would have to continue to teach during exam weeks or schedules during those times would be severely affected. BRHS

---

Grade 8 shop times would be affected as 2 separate schools would be sending students as classes. BRHS

---

Provincial Achievement tests will be administered at BRHS On the semester students. This means that PATS will be administered twice yearly for BL students with likely increased stress on students and parents. BRHS

---

Grade 9 students will be exposed to a high school culture early. While some of this may be positive, there will also be influence get involved with high school aged social activities like drinking, smoking, drugs etc. Junior high students at HRS are presently supervised at all times. At Present, HRS is a closed campus. Students are required to remain at the scholl during lunch breaks. BRHS would have to monitor Grade 9 students or include them in the lunch break open policy. BRHS

---

Utilization drops to under 50% in spite of student numbers remaining consistent for previous years. This low utilization could lead to loss of all junior high students. HYTHE

---

Staffing reduction, teachers, and support staff terminated or transferred.

---

Too few students to field competitive sports teams HYTHE

---

Loss of special events and programs due to reduced per student funding. HYTHE

---

General staffing would continue to be on a per student ratio. This would mean that the staff presently supported at HRS would be redistributed among 3 schools with the availability of specialized teachers and support staff for those students substantially reduced. Flexibilty for teaching assignments would also be lower. 7-9 STUDENTS

---

Funding for special cultural, social and other programs would be split with resulting decreases for Junior High specific events including dances. 7-9 STUDENTS

---

Athletics would be greatly impacted. Intramural and inter school programs would lose the depth allowed for under the present system. The population to draw teams from would be much smaller in all three schools. Teams would be less competitive and A and B teams would likely not be possible. BRHS charges for athletic extracirricular programs so any grade 9 students who wish to play will do so at a cost. Grade 9 students would also be much less likely to be able to make the competitive intraschool teams.7-9 STUDENTS

---

Socialization between young people from the various communities in the West County would be delayed. Beaverlodge elementary students would remain with the same cohort until Grade 9, Hythe and Horse Lake students until Grade 10. Many friendships that have traditionally developed in jr High would not materialize. The sense of united community within our rural setting would be reduced. 7-9 STUDENTS

---

Truth and Reconciliaiton - HRS in partnership with Horse Lake and Western Cree Council presents frequent special events to foster the spirit of Truth and Reconciliation. This would be reduced for HRS students and essentially eliminated for Beaverlodge area students to the detriment of all of us. 7-9 STUDENTS

---

Increased costs of transportation. BES would need new resources, equipment, desks, supplies to accommodate the higher grade levels. BRHS would require Grade 9 resources. PWSD

---

Loss of provincial transportation grants for bussing students to HRS. The grant presently is about \$137,000 PWSD

---

Laying off or reducing hours for bus drivers currently on the BL-Hythe run twice daily PWSD

---

---

Increased short term costs to administer the transition to the status quo. PWSD

---

Once BRHS has been established as a regional 9-12 school, there would probably be long term pressure to make all West County schools in K-8 schools, drawing Grade 9 students from Hythe, Valhalla, Elmworth and possibly Wembley into Beaverlodge. This would affect all of those schools, even to the point of making some of them no longer viable as K-8, or even K-6. PWSD

---

A major item on the BES proposal is the purported danger of bussing students to HYTHE on Hiway 43. Peace Wapiti has an impeccable busing safety record. The last bus incident on that road was 20 years ago involving a bus and a Hythe High School who was NOT using the busing system, lost control and collided with that bus. In fact, the overall number of serious accidents on that section of highway has dropped in recent years. Beaverlodge parents routinely drive their children to activities in Grande Prairie and beyond on roads with much worse records.

---

Gave 7's and 8's in a building that was built for elementary students. The money that would need to be spent would be outrageous. There are no outside activities for Jr High students. There isn't even space for them outside. Gym is way too small for Jr High students. No room to have 7-8 separate from K-6. 7-8's won't get a fresh start with new teachers and new friends. Grade 9's are not ready for high school.

---

Fewer students - less programs and speciality teachers; more probability of split classes. BES will lose programs when space is filled

---

School teams will be weak or non-existent.

---

Less for all, we need to stay together.

---

Not a solution. Takes away important resources that are needed and fully utilized in Hythe and even then as it is, many of these programs could benefit from being expanded. Further segregation of communities.

---

Too many kids/classroom size in BES

---

Taking away from Hythe IE: funding, sports, other programs.

---

I feel like this is a "rob peter to pay paul" scenario. Beaverlodge's higher utilization comes at the expense of HRS.

---

Segregation in a time of truth's reconciliation seems politically incorrect.

---

Zero Drawbacks

---

Lower HRS enrollment

---

Kids don't meet as early

---

The communities of Hythe and Beaverlodge would have to find ways to connect and complement each other's resources other than using children to bridge that gap. It can be done.

---

Zero

---

none, this is really the option to consider

---

None - either plan can work BES K-7 and BRHS 8-12 or BES K-8 and BRHS 9-12. This should be discussed by teachers and parents.

---

In my opinion, there are none. This would be the best for our kids

---

None

---

There are no drawbacks to this scenario for Beaverlodge Children. Hythe gets to remain the same.

---

---

Hythe will lose 2/3 of their Jr High enrollment

---

BES will lose space used for sensory rooms, fine arts, etc

---

Splitting the Division 3 kids is not ideal, that is how our system is set up.

---

None

---

Hmmm. Let me think. Nope, nothing comes to mind

---

There are no drawbacks, We need a change!!

---

Splitting total student funding for the jr high level between 2 schools leaves everyone with insufficient funding to run a robust slate of programs. Neither school will be able to provide quality programming to their students which is what the conversation should be about. Beaverlodge kids would lose the benefits of a more diverse student body.

---

People afraid of change, more work up front to work out the kinks putting more kids in an outdated building.

---

None - This is a better option as a kid that very recently went to Hythe middle school after elementary school and now continue in the Beaverlodge high school. I would have way rather stayed in my own community (Hythe was brutal) from experience.

---

I do not see a drawback. Keep our children in our community or we will go with other options to make this happen such as Catholic or start a charter school - Either way PWSD loses if they proceed with this insanity. Why do you need my child to be in Hythe when you have room in our community

---

I don't see any, this is my first choice.

---

None - Best scenario #2 Keep our children off the highway. PLEASE! I BEG YOU! From a mother.

---

None

---

Absolutely now.

---

Change is hard!

---

Change is hard. I think it will be a lot of work and challenging to leadership/admin but change is needed.

---

none

---

None - please it's time for change. Why can't each community keep their children.

---

Separate youth from Hythe & Beaverlodge, no interaction

---

Limited options for extra curricular activitie

---

Over crowding in BRHS and BES with little room for growth.

---

Funding for specialized programming (mental health, Cree, speech therapy)

---

Segregation - as a First Nations person, this feels like a racial issue.

---

Less teachers = Less options

---

Smaller schools have limited extra options & Supports

---

This is dividing not guiding our future.

---

There is no cultural program @ Beaverlodge elementary

---

---

Won't have numbers to support special rooms (band, weight etc) for kids. Track, playgrounds etc.

---

There is always a crisis in finding teachers. This will make it worse.

---

Let jr High stay as Jr High. Because having Sr High with these young kids is trouble

---

They say It's bussing but we see through it. We know it's racism.

---

This does not promote truth and reconciliation

---

Does this set precedence for other schools to push for changes like this? (Wembley?)

---

Creates division between the communities.

---

Segregation

---

As a First Nations person, its offensive because they don't want their kids to be with ours.

---

The kids need to get to know each other at a young age to form friendships.

---

Not enough kids for sports and extra curricular activities

---

Worried about kids friends - if people leave.

---

Don't want to see separatism. Just silly idea to add more separatism - don't want

---

Don't want to see kids as being divided in our school system

---

Worried about grade 9 kids going to school with high school kids

---

Don't believe it's a safety concern, our kids travel even farther.

---

They aren't the center of the universe - need to consider it's been working well for many years

---

They won't get funding if numbers drop.

---

Like the hospital, worried that we will lose school system here.

---

## Scenario 3: Leave School Configuration as is

### Scenario 3: What are the benefits of this scenario?

---

HRS has supports for students with all needs (ie: the calming spaces

---

Our school has so many activities because we have the students to do them.

---

Bringing the communities together for Jr high benefits the kids with a more diverse student body  
Specialized teacher, extra services, additional programs are only offered because of the large student body and associated funding

Facilities are new and designed for Jr High. BES doesn't have facilities/equipment

---

So much work and love has been put into all programs in HRS over the years and is so beneficial to our kids. Don't start over.

---



---

All these kids play sports together & they love being together. More kids mean you have a larger friend "pool" to choose from. This scenario really brings all communities together. I lived in Hythe as a child & was so happy to finally meet up with the Beaverlodge kids. I made a lifelong friendship with those kids. Now I do live in Beaverlodge & my kids are bussed to Hythe & they absolutely love it. Their bus ride is 35 minutes 1 way including the transfer bus. Please keep these kids together.

---

Kids like going to school with kids from other communities. They make lifelong friends in Jr High.

---

Mixing the communities is important! Diversity! Some of the best friends are from other towns & made junior high. The amazing class options we have, Sports teams!

---

Grant for bussing/ more resources: Inclusive Ed, specialized programming/Larger pool of athletes for multiple teams/ more teachers to coach teams/Social games, more students mean there are more friends for kids who may not have had a group of friends where they have started school

---

We utilize our school this way, nice new school, infrastructure here. NES is not so new.

---

Bussing is not the problem. The way it is \_ is good now.

---

My kids LOVE Hythe as it is!

---

Each community has a regional school, Hythe has Junior High, Beaverlodge has High School, It's fair

---

Keeping our communities, kids, parents and schools connected.

---

I have lived in Hythe for over 50 years. I am a veteran & I come to the Junior high school on Nov 11 to help with the Remembrance Day ceremonies. This last one, I talk to a bunch of the kids and ask them if they liked having Beaverlodge and Hythe kids together at school. All said they loved meeting new friends and they get to ride the bus.

I have been to many weddings where a Hythe girl getting married and two of her friends are maid of honor or the other way around (life long friends)

That's what it's all about: the kids.

---

Cultural diversity is important for kids to experience. HRS has a unique demographic that BES cannot offer

---

HRS is amazing!

Thank you to all staff!! (teachers, assistants, office staff, cleaners, bus drivers) Hope I didn't forget anyone.

---

Even if you live in GP, you have to ride a bus.

---

Larger JH population means more options, teachers, chance of making friends and a fresh start when they enter Grade 7

---

This is a win for all students. Decision needs to be based on academics and what is best for the students. Not convenience.

---

School is designed as one building, but separating junior high & elementary students to give JH their separate experience

---

HRS is set up for Jr High Students, it has the space, the desks, PE equipment, gym space, outdoor space, library, comp lab, text books etc, why fix what's not broken?

HRS offers a wide range of programming - LLI, empowered reading, speech, K&E classes, choice of 2 second languages, specialized teachers.

HRS is a closed campus, which is important for Jr High age Students

---

---

\$\$ have already been spent for Regional Jr Highs- they have a school  
Grade 7's are all given a "fresh start" with new teachers, new school & new friendships. Jr high is a crucial age for fostering life long friendships!  
HRS is a family that needs to stay together!!  
HRS has proven to be an amazing school where all students are accepted and loved

---

This schoold was designed for K-9  
Why waste money on infrastructure when we can utilize what is here . Use that money for kids.

---

Diversity attracts teachers of different teaching abilities  
Specialized Jr High teachers are an advantage to ALL students.  
Support staff & Programming are of benefit to both communities.  
To integrate all communities early on creates a stronger community & education. They learn diversity, empathy, appreciation of what others offer.

---

Relationships need to be made in 7,8,9. Many don't get past that point.

---

If it's not broke, don't fix it.

---

HRS currently offers significantly more than BES and has room to grow! Please keep it as it is.

---

Mixing all the kids together is beneficial for all.

---

Beneficial for kids from all 3 communities to be together & create connections that last into adulthood.

---

The different programs and diversity of students is amazing. Don't take this current great system away from the kids.

---

Is it working now? Yes, it is.

---

Keep it as it is - Better for the students.

---

The social aspect & inclusion is very important for all students.

---

Right now, bussing is even - Leave it the way it is. (Beaverlodge busses here in elementary, Hythe busses there in High school)

---

Kids like the bus.

---

The more teachers for the junior high school, the more programmin for the students which would benefit the students.

---

HRS has a more welcoming culture. I've always felt welcomed. BES has a "clique" atmosphere. Hard for the newer kids to kit in.

---

There is already great Jr High programs here in Hythe.  
Many of the students want to keep BL & Hythe together for Jr High  
Sports programs won't suffer  
Get to continue to utilize the nice, recently constructed school to its fullest benefit.

---

Diversity (cultures, abilities, atheletics, etc)  
A stronger expanded community sense (more inclusive, less insular)  
expanded programming  
a place for all kids

---

---

Keeping things the same continues to encourage acceptance and tolerance and growth of three close communities rather than developing purposely a divide and intolerance for each other

---

It's a WIN WIN for all students

Kids benefit from extra programming, larger social interaction, sports, food, specialty teachers and blended communities

---

Keeps the communities strong and together! Inclusive for all.

---

Best options for students education ei: K & E, specialized teachers.

---

Better for long term community relationships

better programming for alla

Better teacher skills for all

better school teams

Less split classes

Better financially

It is what's best for the students.

---

Best for all Students

---

Hythe - this is a very special place. Look at the student satisfaction survey

---

Very skilled bus drivers with impecable driving record. Safety always top on the list.

---

HRS gives all Gr 7 students a chance for a fresh start. It also gives them a chance to foster lifelong friendships with other communities.

---

Continue to give the students the best education possible. Keeping all the 7-9's together has so many proven advantages. Specialized teachers, special programming (K&E, LLI, empowered reading, speech to name a few) HRS 7-9 wing was built with 7-9 kids in mind, all the books, desks, washrooms, PE equipment is already there. We have the space inside and outside. Extra cirricular can continue to thrive. The 7-9's at HRS are separate from K-6. They get their own school. Friendships from multiple communities will continue to flourish.

---

Better programs for all

---

Better school teams

---

Better programs for BES

---

Better community relations long term

---

Racial diversity, Reconciliation

---

Inclusivity of all communities. Maintaining teachers & aids that our children have developed relationships with. Maintaining shop class options and offered extracirricular activities. Strengthen the communities. PWSB needs to address the internal issues at BES that are resulting in low enrollment

---

Students would not risk valuable resources and programs

---

Reduce the probability of there not being enough students to warrant having in school sports

---

Transportation of students (between Hythe and Beaverlodge in regards to transfer bussing) is FAIRLy offset. Beaverlodge goes to Hythe for Junior High. Hythe goes to Beaverlodge for High school

---

---

Kids will stay together with their friends and as a teen, your friends are your world and as adults, it is not a big deal to us but for our kids, it is a very big deal. Our kids mental health is important and we have to do what's best for them, less drastic changes at that age is better. This way we keep our activities and resources for our kids.

---

Schools have about the same utilization rate

---

More equal in terms of bussing. Beaverlodge get bussed to Hythe for Junior High and Hythe gets bused for BRHS

---

Hythe school would keep its diversity of class room, sports teams, option classes etc.

---

Large enough grads for sports teams

---

kids don't live in a bubble & make friends from out of town in Grade 7

---

No change in staffing and specialist classes

---

build future relationships with people/kids in the surrounding area.

---

Populations of Hythe and Beaverlodge are shrinking so it makes sense to join communities & resources, not separate them.

---

All schools receive excellent utilization.

---

No transition time with shifting resources, employment, and programming. All is currently established

---

Promotes positive community relations.

---

The hamlet of Hythe will stay just as it is now. You know the old saying " if it's not broke, don't fix it" I have two great grandsons that both attend Hythe elementary and I would like it to stay this way. As for moving Junior Highs, they are already going through enough being teenagers, no need to add more stress to their persons.

---

Promotes inclusion/socializing between all communities in the west county

---

Good use of resources that are already in place

---

Good for sports teams, opportunities for kids to try different things.

---

Kids remain the same

---

utilization are not lopsided.

---

All students are bussing for 3 years (Wembley, Beaverlodge, Hythe, Elmworth, Horselake) no one is special or entitled.

---

There are only benefits for Hythe Students. The majority of Beaverlodge students are negatively impacted in some way.

---

There are no benefits to this

---

None for Beaverlodge students. Beaverlodge lives matter too.

---

There aren't any - I can not think of one reason to keep it the same. It's a system that can be easily fixed if the right choice is made.

---

None - it is detrimental for families in Beaverlodge. I went to HRS and was bussed for 3 years and felt a disconnect and too young to be in another community and environment. Both my children have attended HRS for Junior High and this scenario is VERY difficult for families because of logistics.

---

Kids meet each other earlier.
Divison 3 is kept together not 7,8/9
All west county students ride a transfer bus for 3 years - the risk is equal for all.
Larger JH numbers allow for K and E
All of west county is a community
Absolutely no benefits. Why are we still fighting to keep our children in our community.
None
This scenario is absolutely NOT acceptable.
Nothing, No Benefits - Please, it's time for change for our community and for the public School division.
No Benefit to this scenario
HRS is designed and equipped for Junior High students. BES is not
Social benefits of a fresh start for some studnets who need one; exposure to a more diverse student body for Beaverlodge kids.
Larger junior high population staying together in Hythe allows for offering of programs and services which neith Jr high would be able to fund and offer on their own with split funding.
Doesn't make sense and is a broken model. My children felt like outsiders in the HRS school because it was new territory and the other children that wer K-6 HRS ruled the school.
None! Having our kids go to Hythe was a HUGE inconvenience out of our way as we only live 10 minutes from Beaverlodge.
BES has many empty classrooms
Makes no sense to transfer kids from one elementary school to another elementary school.
If HRS was still a stand alone Jr High, it would be better. It should never have been built as K-9
I see no benefits to this scenario.
No kids have to be moved, relocated, comfort zone
Students from Beaverlodge & Hythe have social interactions from Grade 7 up.
All 3 schools have space & room to grow.
Larger student population for children to make friends and withstanding connections
Because there is more kids, there's funding for school supports (?, specialized needs, counselling etc)
important to have choices of friends & diversity of people
Everything is working really well as it is
Bussing is equally split - high school students bus too!
Rich diverse friendships during formative years. Makes the transition to high school easier.

Leave it the same - keeps the services that the students receive higher
No expense
Continue to have specialized teachers. So important for our childrens education
The kids are happy & enjoying it (education & Community comradery is good)
Easier transition to high school, stronger support systems = higher likely hood of graduating
Keeping Jr High students together in a regional school = better funding and more programs. Specialized teachers, councillors, Cree classes, etc.
Our children get to continue to have excellent Mental Health supports.
Right now, there is special rooms for band, science etc.
Hot lunch program
Access to therapy
Interactin with others in surrounding area
Our kids talked lots about having friends and making friends over time.
Preferring the "Leave as is" - this seems to be the best.
They have had the school (Hythe) forever. Why wuld they change it now.
Would be boring to always stay with the same kids (We are already cousins) They grow to love and be with one another.
They really look forward t oseeing one another
Why change it now, it's working well.
Why fix it? It's not broken
What if they only come to school for their friends - the consistency of friends is important.
Less discrimination by other kids.
Could implement more land based learning - this is reall important. Learn the old ways, want to see kids learn harvesting the different season. When the first leaves come out, When you collect sap from the populars.
Important for kids to be close to home.
People worried about bus safety but we don't see accidents - this shouldn't be a concern.
Valuable that kids know one another and build relationships.

### Scenario 3: What are the drawbacks of this?

No responses

---

Isolates children from their families at a crucial time in their social /emotional development, leaving them more susceptible to peer pressure and at risk behavior

---

No longer a separate Junior High School

---

We are losing our teachers so they don't lose theirs.

---

More kids doesn't always mean more friends. Sometimes it's more bullying by new kids.

---

Bussing to Hythe introduces an avoidable possibility for accidents or injury.

---

This has been a fight for Beaverlodge parents for 50 years. We need to finally do something.

---

Transitioning kids reduces stability. Keep kids around teachers & environment they are already familiar with especially during an pubescent change

---

Huge transition (moving to a new community school) Can be detrimental to a child's mental health

---

We have one of the only high schools without Grade 9's. PWA, SSS, JP2, The Comp, Charles Spence & St Joes all make it work. Time to align with other high schools

---

Kids aren't able to attend community events.

Less time at home for Beaverlodge students

Long bus trips

---

Loss of funding to PWSP as families flock to Catholic schools

---

This issue continues for another few decades

---

The transfer busses are Hot Spots for Bullying!

---

If we leave as is. . . Writing is on the wall - BES will lose more students and eventually close.

---

High school students have to wait outside at BES for 20-30 minutes waiting for the transfer buses! Even in cold temperatures.

---

Grade 7 is way too young to transition to another community

---

Would have enjoyed participating in community events.

---

Families & siblings are feeling displaced when one child is in Hythe and the others are in Beaverlodge.

---

Kids are on the bus 3+ hours a day going to Hythe for Junior High. This leads to tired kids and more confrontations on the bus. Kids do not have energy left at the end of the day for homework and extra curricular activities.

This adds to the stress put on our kids with all the other stuff going on in the world.

Less time at home for Beaverlodge students

Long bus trips

---

Students are less involved with after school activities because they may not have transportation home!

---

More than half of the kids in Hythe Jr High are Beaverlodge kids.

---

The entire bussing system works around Beaverlodge kids being bussed to Hythe. This situation is detrimental to all Students.

---

Children should be educated in their own community if possible.

---

Riding the bus sucks

---

---

This will be an ongoing issue if not changed now.

Too long on the bus

Too long a drive for parents to go to Hythe and watch sports, volunteer, etc

Lots of empty classrooms in BES - These should be utilized by local students.

---

Coming from Beaverlodge to Hythe: its scary to be shoved into a new environment with new kids when you're barely 13 is SUPER hard

Staying within your community creates balance/comfort

---

Too many transitions for kids with learning disabilities

---

Junior high kids leaving Beaverlodge results in loss of mentor ship from High School kids.

---

Losing kids sto Catholic system

---

The 2 lane Hwy is too busy & unsafe for kids in bus.

---

Busing 3 bus loads of children on a busy 2 lane hwy twice a day is dangerous.

---

Continued CSW days put extra stress on families to find child carefor the extra 9 days a year on top of all the other holidays

How many young children are being left at home by themselves on these days when they shouldn't because parents cannot find child care or afford it?

---

Continues the disconnect between Beaverlodge parents from school sports and programs their children are involved in

---

No public Junior High Option in Beaverlodge

---

I know of at least 2 families who relocated to Grande Prairie because of no Junior High in Beaverlodge

---

Reducing time at home for Beaverlodge Jr High students

---

Our kids are losing time due to being transferredto Hythe for Jr High. Time is our most valuable asset.

---

Enrollment continues to decline at BES

---

Missed community opportunities. Participation in town events when not present to do so

---

Continued time constraints on the lives of students in travel time

---

Peace Wapiti WILL continue to lose students to a school that offers a local Jr High.

---

When a transfer bus isn't running, 3 bus full of students cram onto 2 to make the transfer. This is not safe or reasonable

---

Peace Wapit will lose BES to Charter

---

Transition too young!

---

There are none! Why fix what's not broken.

---

Pressure on Board by some parents not students.

---

None, lets improve what we have instead of destroying it.

---

Doesn't bring more funding to the Hythe school - that is greatly needed.

---



Does not provide hot lunch for Jr High students
Does not bring more aids to help students who require the assistance but don't "qualify" for the appropriate funding/coding to obtain.
Beaverlodge kids still have to bus to Junior High like Hythe & out of town kids do for Beaver High School. More cost of bussing.
Less independence to Beaverlodge
May not relieve tension
I do not see any drawbacks to staying the same as it is now.
I do not see any, why fix what isn't broke.
transitions at 12 years old are detrimental to mental health, adult connection, community connections
Parents are not as involved because they aren't able to get to Hythe to be involved
Student enrollment will continue to decline and funding for PWSD will decline
Enrollment in BES will continue to fall more and more. Parents no longer want their children to go to Hythe so are making other arrangements. People look at the schooling and see it as a negative when looking for a place to settle.
Beaverlodge kids are exiled form our community for 3 years.
Student safety, community feeling safe, more parent involvement/community involvement. All the problems will continue. We will lose more students.
Student safety. Bussing children on a busy highway is dangerous. We will have no public BES school with the dramatic enrollment loss. Please wake up and make a change. People are choosing Catholic school division in Beaverlodge that offers the only Junior High option
This is a Peace Wapiti problem. Should never have been a Hythe vs Beaverlodge problem. What is Peace Wapiti going to do to stop the decline?
Long bus rides for Beaverlodge kids
time and risk on Busses!
Many parents can not get to Hythe in time for them to play sports so the children are losing out again.
Our students will not be in our community, our students will continue to miss community events and will also miss the use of our resources - swimming pool, arena, curling rink, cultural centre, fine arts.
BES will continue loosing students to St. Mary's because parents want a junior high. St Mary's school continues to accept Junior High students only if the parents send the rest of their children. This is the downfall of Beaverlodge Elementary School.
Our elementary school in Beaverlodge has declining enrollment as families have moved their whole families to the Catholic school in Beaverlodge in order to have their children educated in their own community.
Everything. Enrollment will continue to decline. We could lose our school all together.

---

This impacts my child & my life greatly. It puts my child on a highway daily risking her life when she can be educated in her community. Continuing education is damaged. She misses out on opportunities & access to amenities.

---

Families may continue choosing St Mary's over BES to avoid sending Jr. High aged students to Hythe. But we can't just choose to harm another school (hythe) as well as jr high programming in the district in general because of an unfortunate situation at BES.

---

Culture of the high school does not include junior high students. No junior high students are participating at High School events. Missing social emotional learning.

---

How are the current students of BES being affected by the lack of funding? 5 different teachers in Grade 5 is too much. Kids that age need consistency. This concerns me - Are my kids at a disadvantage being a BES student? (are they missing out on other things?)

---

Bussing children everyday on a dangerous hwy. The time spent is not necessary. Having my children displaced to another community. I'm always on the highway driving to Hythe for appointments and school sports. Luckily I have a flexible job and can try to accomodate the sports schedule during business hours.

---

Continuing stress on our kids with the long transportation (3 plus hours for rural kids.)

---

Travelling a dangerous bus route every day unnecessarily.

---

Cost of continual bussing. This is a waste of \$\$ & if kids stay in Beaverlodge, it will give them more opportunities to use bussing for field trips.

---

Bussing my 4 kids 12 minutes up a busy Hiway is a huge drawback. It is dangerous and ineffective. At what cost will things change? An accident? Kids have become more anxious especially after COVID and moving them from the people they have become friends with, the teachers who have mentored them and loved them is a mistake. Volunteering in a community I don't live in while maintaining a career is impossible. Today alone I drove my son. His skates which he had forgotten. had to run up to Hythe or he would have never skated. My nightly anxious son. This decision should be about the kids, the families and our communitiy.

---

None - this scenario has been working for all communities for the past 50 years.

---

Funding will be an issue in the future.

---

Mental Health, specialized teachers, funding etc. - Keep the school the same.

---

Lose our school in the future.

---

Would the kids from HL want to go to Beaverlodge (maybe their friends are going?)

---

## Scenario 4: What ideas do you have? Tell us what the future might look like to you:

---

People should have to honour the Zone/border in which they live not pick and choose where they want their kids to go based on prejudice and superiority

---

---

In Order to maximize benefits and address drawbacks, Beaverlodge and Hythe should work together. . . Than perhaps we won't need meetings like this.

---

Riding buses is part of rural life!

---

Something done to mend community relations after this process is complete.

---

More likely to volunteer and find time if its our closer community, More parents available to coach sports.

---

Give families the ability to choose where their children attend school. Offer both options on a basis that the most chosen route is an implemented standard.

---

If we do not make a change, Beaverlodge will build a new charter school K-12

---

Make the change to Scenario 2 ASAP\_Fall of 2023

---

Hythe, Beaverlodge and HLFN come together to discuss.

---

Would like to see more mentoring. Many of us are tri-lingual.

---

## **Is there anything else that you would like us to consider as we create a plan for junior high programming in Beaverlodge and Hythe?**

---

Do all 107 rural transfer students identify as belonging to Beaverlodge community?

---

This is all about Beaverlodge not wanting HorseLake kids there

---

Allow each school a representative at the board meeting to give a presentation. To make sure all important ideas are talked about!

---

I would like to know how much money was spent on the "Survey". This \$\$ could have been spent on the kids! Waste of \$\$\$. Since PW is a public school board, this should be public knowledge

---

This reoccurring conversation is dividing the community AGAIN

---

This conversation would be different if there was a space needed. There isn't

---

The damage bringing this up has done to our communities. We should work as one.

---

There is no good solution to the enrollment decrease at BES but forcing Hythe to suffer with lower numbers instead while harming the quality of Beaverlodge Junior High student education is not the answer.

---

Utilize the unbiased survey that the students took.

---

This continues to be brought up every 10 years. When can the decision be what it is? There is a regional High School for a reason and Junior high school for a reason.

---

Intolerance and growth for one community at the cost to others.

---

All schools in the area are bussed for 3 years. Transportation should not be an issue. It is equitable.

---

We bought a house in Hythe because of the school

---

Our sense of community need to be bigger & regional (not just Beaverlodge vs. Hythe)
People are struggling - Don't add to it with unnecessary change.
The scenarios are biased towards Beaverlodge & unfair towards Hythe. (eg: Scenario 3 "enrollment declines remains a possibility)
If options don't matter, bring High school back to Hythe _ More options, better for kids.
Shouldn't place building utilization before student education
Including balanced info about impacts to Hythe & Beaverlodge kids may change how people respond to these questions.
That all concerns are acknowledged and both communities have valid concerns about schools/students suffering at the expense of another
People need info about how change impacts Hythe programs to make informed responses to survey etc.
People have changed their minds since initial gut reaction to survey when it first came out.
Update FAQs to include how all the ?? Would also impact Hythe students
Want kids in our community so I can volunteer. They are rushed and also want to ensure we maintain fine arts & extra courses they get at HRS if they come here Don't want to lose the stuff that excites my kid
Separate school systems; Archaic: Shouldn't be dividing by religion. Should pool resources & work together,
If Peace Wapiti wants to run like a business, it needs to think like a business. Right now, ?? Is failing. Change is needed.
Let parents decide the community they want their kids to be educated in,
There are more schools that are K-12 or 9-12 than separate Jr High and it works
25 years ago, study was done by independent group that recommended k-9 should be educated in own community
The study was ignored due to politics
too many transitions decreases academic success and overall mental well being
Will 7-9 at BES/BRHS change K-6 enrollment at BES? That study should have been done first.
There is 40 years of research showing that school transitions decrease academic success
Beaverlodge parents & their families are on the highway too much to accommodate the current setup putting our families at risk
Are families moving to the catholic school for Junior High, or are there other reasons?
With declining #'s in BES, it's a no brainer that Beaverlodge kids should stay in Beaverlodge.
the risk of riding the bus now is shared all west county between Hythe & Beaverlodge communities. Kids have to ride a transfer bus for 3 years.
All over Alberta there has been a constant erosion of local services to rural communities and small towns as medical, social service, legal and educational services become more centralized in larger centers. This trend can only be

---

limited if smaller communities work together to save those services. The most effective way to do this is by eliminating the competition between smaller communities and considering a true regional strategy that works towards the good of all citizens involved. The necessitates abandoning historical rivalries, many of which have been around for decades.

Over 40 years ago the citizens of both Hythe and Beaverlodge realized that there were not enough students in each community to offer high quality education at the grade 7-12 levels. In the spirit of providing what was best for all students, it was decided that two regional schools would be built, one for Hythe for grades 7-9 and one for Beaverlodge 10-12. This solutions provided higher numbers for both, translating into more funding and staffing for both Core and optional classes and better extra cirricular opportunities. This arrangement has worked very well since, and has been show to be truly a solution that provided the best education for all regional students.

The Beaverlodge Elementary school has experienced a drop in enrollment recently, and is presently conduction a campaign to increase student enrollment by removing the Beaverlodge area 7-9 students from Hythe Regional school and placing them in BES and BRHS. At first glance, this appears to be an easy and effective solution, until you begin to look at the immediate effects and potential long term results. Instead of creating a regional community strategy, it looks at only the questionable value to one community to the detriment of all the others involved. Much of this is politically driven and does not consider what is truly the best for ALL students in the west part of the county of Grande Prairie. In fact, there are negative consequences to students at all levels in the regional communities.

---

Hythe Regional school currently has 206 students enrolled in junior High. Numbers have remained static despite the drop in students coming from Beaverlodge. Thanks to this enrollment, the school offers a wide range of academic programming with specialized teachers and support staff. It also offers a multitude of resources and special activities, including a full sports program. In a 2022 survey, an overwhelming majority of the Jr High students in HRS expressed satisfaction with the academic, social, and extra curricular opportunities available at that school. Regional Junior High and High school has been an effective and efficient soulution for all of the West Peace Wapiti area for financial, educational, and community population issues. If its not broken, why try to fix it? We need to consider what is best for all children, not making decisions on the basis of divisive political agendas.

---

Why would you pull students from one PW school to make them have low utilization just to up the utilization in another PW school? With current utilizations being almost identical for BES, HRS & BRHS, why would you not leave it along?

---

Put the students education first! This scenario is biased and of the opinions of a few people & doesn't take any other school including HRS.

---

They must consider how this will affect all the students, all the staff and all the money that would need to be spent.

---

Please consider what is Best for ALL PW students, not a select few. The students of HRS want to be TOGETHER. Remember this decision: Keep the regional 7-9 has already been made several times. The infrastructure is already in place, why not continue to utilize it. The staff is a family and pulling them apart would be terrible.

---

It is the best decision for the students as a whole.

---

This is not in the best interest of all the students. (Discussion C)

---

They are segregating communities and as a rural community our children require their relationships for their futures. Parents will look (potentially) at moving their kids to other schools. That is their choice.

---

They are segregating communities and as a rural community our children require their relationships for their futures. Parents will look (potentially) at moving their kids to other schools. That is their choice.

---

---

This is a teaching opportunity to strength rural communities. Utilize this opportunity and act appropriately in the best interest of the students. Why are we robbing Peter to pay Paul? Parents will look (potentially) at moving their kids to other schools and that is their choice.

---

That many parents may chose other options available due to the frustration and disagreement with this whole situation

---

The amount of parents that may choose to move their students/children to another school to avoid this change.

---

Hot lunch extended to include Jr High students

---

Expand/pilot an effective mental health program

---

Our kids to be taken care of and still have everything then need for their education and development

---

Students best interest.

---

Students best interest.

---

Students best interest.

---

I do not think this should be considered on any level.

---

This issue was brought up 12 years ago. Why wasn't it looked at in this way then?

---

How do we alleviate the current tension?

---

I do not even want to entertain that thought!

---

Be sure funding is in place for the right number of teachers and teachers assistant.

---

Have they considered the survey that students took before this came about. The majority of students like the status quo we have now. Are they doing what's best for all students? Why are they segregating students for the benefit of one town?

---

What happens with the special needs children? Their special rooms would be lost in a more crowded school (BES)

---

Shrinking populations of Hythe & Beaver combined with smaller class sizes seems unwise. Where does 43% utilization of HRS come from? The high school was very cramped when I went. I hope this doesn't mean spend more money on modulars down the road.

---

The Hythe school (7-9) potentially closing, Then what? No room in Beaverlodge to have all the Hythe 7-9 kids as well.

---

No option classes?

---

There duty to do what is best for all students.

---

Bias survey

---

Poor info distribution

---

Keeping opportunities for education and options for all students.

---

I would hope that consideration be given to how this move would impact the kids, teachers and community of Hythe.

---

I have it is not considered, period (Station B)

---

---

The impact to HRS. They face a real danger of not having enough students to stay viable. Why mess with a system that has worked well for about 50 years?

---

I would like to see them not allow this to happen again for another 20 - 50 years. It is getting redundant/

---

Always consider the welfare of the students (not the parents) for their social growth among the peers.

---

That is not what is best for the students.

---

Disappointment in the Board members not being here: told they were not allowed to come"

---

I would like them to consider than the Beaverlodge elementary school can accommodate K-8 and High School can accommodate as a 9-12 school

---

Grade 8 @ BRHS temporarily until they move to BES

---

Build a new BES building - Oldest in Alberta?

---

Ban phones in class rooms

---

Ban cell phones in school. Kids do not need them.

---

Once again, this is a Peace Wapiti Problem. The problem Here is "kids are choosing the Catholic system. How can Peace Wapiti change this to try and retain students in Peace Wapiti?

---

K&E classroom program is setting students up for failure once they enter high school. This needs revision if this scenario is implemented.

---

Do it ASAP

---

Hythe would then have room to be K-12 school and could really focus on keeping their children in their community for entire education( no transition to a new community, continuity of connections to familiar adults, reduced bussing, better use of children's time) The same as we are asking for Beaverlodge kids.

---

BES to be K-8

---

Make it happen in September 2023

---

Make it happen September 2023

---

Here we go again years later. Most communities (yes, even small communities) have K-9 in their home town. Why should ours be different!

---

Why should another community not want the same for our community K-9

---

To consider that BES be grade k-8 first, then BRHS 9-12

---

I would like them to consider what the future looks like ie: a new facility built in Beaverlodge for the K-8 students within the next decade!

---

Finally, the best interest of the students. Keep Beaverlodge students off the highway and in their home community

---

Beaverlodge will start a CHARTER school.

---

A prosperous future for Beaverlodge public Education

---

This this is the irresponsible scenario. This meeting wouldn't be happening if there weren't problems. Think of the kids.

---

---

We will build a NEW K-12 Charter School. Enough is Enough. Time for change.

---

I would like our schools (public schools) to get our numbers back and then I would love Peace Wapiti to consider a new school again. I just saw a picture of Beaverlodge elementary school from 1951. Please take into consideration that IN THE BIG PICTURE, IT'S OUR TURN PLEASE!

---

They should consider that Grade 8's should not be in school with the high school kids.

---

Seek funding from the government to help shorten bus times.

---

How will the other west county schools be affected? Shop classes, K&E

---

How ridiculous it is that we even need to ask and fight for our children and future to stay in BEAVERLODGE.

---

k-8, 9-12 please

---

k-8, 9-12 please

---

Providing extra resources to grade 8 students to prepare them for high school

---

This is the best scenario for our children. Every other community in Peace Wapiti has a Junior High. Every community in Alberta that is the size of Beaverlodge has a junior high. Please consider allowing our children to experience our community during their very formative years. Allow them to experience activities with their families, their siblings, elders and grandparents.

---

The education of our Beaverlodge students - Consider that it is time for change. Beaverlodge is a much more vibrant, active community with so much more to offer our children. It takes a village to raise a child. This town is a very positive, accepting and supportive village. Could maybe consider the chance that this community will look at a charter school

---

I would like them to consider what is in the best interest of the Beaverlodge students. Beaverlodge is the only school with K-6 which does not have another 7-12 school in their own town. Beaverlodge Junior High students have been bussed to Hythe for 55 years and enough is enough!

---

I would like them for once to consider what is in the best interest of the Beaverlodge Junior High Students and cut out the politics! Perhaps a K-12 in the new Hythe school would be a scenario worth considering for Hythe students as currently the case in Crooked Creek, Eaglesham, Silver Valley, Spirit River and Teepee Creek.

---

We want change! IF nothing is done, I will move my kids to the Catholic School or a charter school if ever developed. Hythe has been so unprofessional in this situation. I don't want my kids to go there now!

---

Think of the students. Would they (the board) like to travel 1.45 hours each way to work as my 4 kids had to for 3 years?? This is not right, not fair, not safe! My kids go on the bus at 7:09 am and arrived at Hythe at 8:55 AM. We live 12 minutes from Beaverlodge.

---

Consider that this has been the wrong decision for 50 years. It makes zero sense to bus kids to a smaller community. The New Catholic School is spelling it out for you. Beaverlodge wants to educate our kids in our community. Quit holding our kids hostage. We will pivot & figure out a way to keep them in our community

---

Consider scenario 2; keep our children in our community

---

Common sense. This has been the most ridiculous political maneuver in my time in Beaverlodge. 68 years.

---

Beaverlodge is a growing community. Let's keep it growing and thriving. Once they do the change, let's put something in place to stop ever having to have this discussion again.

---



---

Updates to BES, better sports equipment, move the newer portable building from Hythe to BES.

---

I would like them to consider the students and us kids. Being unified with a complete Beaverlodge education would bring so much value and respect to the community. I think our community would come together and we would truly be a united strong community were all families/kids/parents/teachers if this was able to happen.

---

My child is not funding to keep Hythe alive. I want her in my community. I live and work in Beaverlodge and work in Grande Prairie. You are making my life difficult and it is not necessary. You have the means to give Beaverlodge rights. Make it happen or we go elsewhere

---

This will draw students back to public education and as numbers rise, consider the possibility of being put back on capital plan for a new facility.

---

We will create great citizens in the community of Beaverlodge. And will keep continuity for mentorships of all grade levels.

---

Consider moving faster and get it done.

---

The sooner the better! We (PWPSD) cannot AFFORD to lose any more kids to the Catholic school board or GPPSD!

---

We need to ramp up our extra curricular offerings. This needs to come from teacher and parents.

---

Junior high (7-8) need their own space. Give these kids some freedom.

---

I would start a group to build a P3 school system charter school and divorce PWPSD. 149 student decrease at BES because there is not junior high option in Beaverlodge.

---

This will only be brought up again in 5 years. Would teachers, superintendents, board members like to drive almost 2 hours each way to work as my kids had to on the way to Jr High? Their bussing schedule was ridiculous!!

---

Not implementing this change will result in a continued loss of Beaverlodge students to the Catholic school

---

How enrollment will increase in Beaverlodge and the public school division. Consider how wonderful it would be for parents to be able to choose to keep their kids in the community in the PUBLIC school division.

---

Utilization rate and how long into future would possibility considering a new school

---

Funding for limited resources - programming

---

Thankful for activities and therapies

---

Keep it the same! Ain't broke, don't fix it.

---

Transfers current problems that Beaverlodge is facing to Hythe. Doesn't solve any problem.

---

Bussing is a given in rural communities

---

We should do what's best for the regional community not just the towns individual

---

The board should deal with this at the board level, not spend \$\$ to reopen past decisions

---

Leave the education system as is!

---

If it's not broke, don't fix it.

---

This decision should be about the kids not the parents

---

---

There's a small group who don't want their kids going to school with natives - that's the root of the problem

---

Need to have a session for Chief and council

---

This topic should not be entertained again. Make a decision and stick to it.

---

Everytime this comes up, it causes dissention between neighbors, friends, families and communities.

---

There haven't been any infrastructure changes to warrant this conversation

---

You can accomplish things individually or We can work together and move mountains. Together, we are all better.

---

Be more concise when communicating with HLFN Leadership

---

Not sure why they are doing this (public engagement), they do what they want with it.

---

Option 5 - Keep our kids in Horse lake. They decided before to take the kids to Hythe. Would rather see the kids in Horse Lake.

---

I was a Beaver Indian, then the ? Came and I'm teaching them Cree.

---

I would like to see more kids/more funding/ like the specialized programs.

---

Taking care of my grandson, Worried about losing the Hythe school.

---

## What questions do you have?

---

Will there be a line drawn, Would Horse Lake students be allowed to follow their friends to Beaverlodge?

---

How does this impact funding for teachers, teacher aids in Hythe? This directly impacts students.

---

What happens to a school that is 43% utilized?

What happens to a small community that has a dwindling enrollment at their school?

Why would there be two regional junior highs in the same district, so close together.

---

Why did they start bussing kids to/from Beaverlodge? What was the reason Peace Wapiti chose to do that?

---

For PWPSB\_ Will you have a fact checker when presenting info to board so there is not hearsay (facts not opinions)

Who approved this survey to go out the way it was?

Why was the information that is ver relevant both both schools not placed at the beginning of the survey so there was all the information before completing?

PWPSD represents 22 Schools, not one, why was this so biased?

---

Why would the board consider spending \$\$ unnecessarily?

---

How can it be considered dangerous/unsafe for Beaverlodge Jr High Students to travel to Hythe but Hythe, Wembley, HorseLake, Balhalla and Elmworth students travel to Beaverlodge High School

---

Would Grade 8/9's be separated from 10-12's?

---

Would Hythe students be allowed to follow to Beaverlodge if there are better sized classes or to be with current friends?

---

How much \$ is it going to take to get Beaverlodge Elementary able to accommodate JH students? Ex: Bigger sized bathrooms, toilets/ gym change rooms/ lunch program/ science equipment/ maker space/ computers etc

---

What is the benefit for ALL kids if we split?
How much of our activities will we lose?
What will happen to our special class?
What will happen to the funding for the kids sports and activities?
If the split happens, does that mean bigger class/student for the same amount of teachers?
Will PWSD acknowledge the displeasure of BES parents & decline in enrollment. Some students/families are leaving before Jr High & not because they don't want to bus to Hythe.
How will this affect special needs programming?
During the time of truth and reconciliation, is this what we should be doing?
Why would the board do all this work when its working just fine, added cost.
What is the actual cause from low student enrollment in Beaverlodge? Many have already transferred early to Hythe.
Does the school board or the trustees not have enough confidence in what's best for the kids?
If things stay the same, how do we rebuild relationships between the two communities?
Will people have another chance to share feedback as they have explored the nuance?
Will there be time for people to revise their feedback once new info (answers to these questions) comes out?
Truth and reconciliation is damaged by moving schools for race reasons
Can PWSD move forward hearing all concerns & come up with a beneficial outcome for both HRS/BES?
What was the cost of this?
BES is losing students. Look at population & culture.
Why are the benefits to BES the only ones being considered? There are no benefits to BRHS or HRS.
Will spreading the population of students this way keep all 3 schools successful/flourishing economically and student success health wise?
All feeder schools (Hythe, Elmworth, Wembley) have to ride a transfer bus for 3 years. Why should Beaverlodge be exempt?
Is this really a true and valid solution to basically "borrow from Peter to Pay Paul?
What can PWSD actually show will be "lost" not just speculation about programming/funds etc in Hythe and BES.
What will Hythe Regional students lose for programming with this change? Option classes? Sports?
Has there been research done about why BES is losing students? Why does HRS have to sacrifice their current students, programming and school?
What is the underlying cause of low enrollment in Beaverlodge (BES)? Is this being addressed? As it appears based on the info provided tha this is not the issue for Junior High
AS a parent of students attending both schools, it should be noted that culture and over all feeling of acceptance at BES is not as welcoming as other schools. This could be explored as a possibility of enrollment loss.
How does this impact funding for teachers, teacher aids in Hythe? This directly impacts students.

---

Where is the benefit in this for junior high students from Hythe and surrounding area? So far, have mainly seen benefits for BL but nobody wants to mention the detrements this will place on HRS.

What will happen to HRS if it loses a large portion of their student population? Will what happen to teachers and TA's?

---

Why does the Beaverlodge parent council really want to do this?

---

If classes are too small, will classes become split classes?

---

HRS has therapists who come often to support students. Would we lose this?

---

How much are these forums costing? What are our kids loosing because of these costs?

---

If the Beaverlodge kids leave Hythe, how will it affect the special needs programming, therapy, etc? That's what's good about Hythe

---

What happens to Hythe Jr. High in the long run? Do both communities have enough student population to benefit from the best education possible?

---

Will this result in fewer options (classes) for all Jr High in both Beaverlodge and Hythe?

---

Has Peace Wapiti considered that Beaverlodge residents have asked for this change for 30 years. Beaverlodge will push for Charter. Our MLA has informed Beaverlodge, there is Provincial funding for Charter. Please Listen

---

How will everyone fit @ BES with K-8 there? Bathrooms? Gym space?

---

Do supports for special needs change when they go to junior high?

---

If Junior high kids come to BES, where do the teachers come from?

---

Would Junior High programming follow semester schedule @ BRHS?

---

If we leave as is, how will Peace Wapiti support BES in attracting new students/families?

---

How is utilization calculated?

---

How would adding Grade 7? Grade 8 to BES or BRHS impact capital planning?

---

Does the transportation grant make a significant difference in the transportation budget?

---

Has Peace Wapiti calculated the loss of Provincial funding they have experienced due to the loss of 149 students since 2015?

---

Has Peace Wapiti calculated loss of funding from loss of students at BES?

---

How can BES place themselves back on the capital plan?

---

Everything is working, Why would we change? What is best for all of Peace Wapiti's children is taken into the best account.

---

There is already a perfectly good school. Why fix something that isn't broken? Why spend millions of dollars for a new school?

---

If it's a safety concern, then why do we Horse Lake parents have to drop the safety concerns for our children? That's a even longer commute for our children. Our children's safety matters too

---

Why do this now? What's changed?

---

---

Who is to say St Marys won't make a high school? What then?

---

Why Change what's working?

---

Penson Schools grade 9's are bussed to PWA for educational reasons in a similar way the Beaverlodge Jr High students are bussed to HRS. Why is it okay for Pens & not Beaverlodge?

---

Where is Beaverlodge council? The communities need to come together.

---

What does this mean for sports teams if realigning grades?

---

How much \$\$ is the community engagement costing?

---

How much funding do we Lose? And what are the long term affects?

---

How does the division decide when to do community engagement & when not to?.

---

## What are your hopes & expectations for this conversation?

---

Increased info disseminated, Opinions are needed but informed opinion are crucial.

---

What is best financially, educationally, infrastructurally for ALL kids?

---

Think of ALL the children! These changes only benefit Beaverlodge families

---

Keep the kids in mind!

---

It is about the kids, not convenience . Education should be the deciding factor, nothing else.

---

What is best for the students

---

3 schools are working, building community is important!

---

This is causing a huge divide between our communities and tension that is unnecessary. We are trying to bring people and communities together not tear them apart. BETTER TOGETHER

---

If it isn't broke, don't try to fix it. Leave it alone

---

Why fix something that works? I would like to keep the kids together.

---

All Students need to be the priority in this decision.

---

Survey online very one sided.

---

That this is about what is best for the kid's education and not strictly parent convenience.

---

My hope is to finally finish this conversation. Why change something that is working?

---

That this is about what is best for the kid's education and not strictly parent convenience.

---

That a decision can be made based on what is best educationally for junior high programming in the region overall . . . Not based on the loudest voices.

---

Is it about the kids! Or what's best for a new school, Blodge.

---

How does this effect Hythe funding?

---

That in voting participants are educated in the pros & Cons and non biased decisions
Make sure what is best for all kids is considered. How would dividing the kids affect funding, programming, extra cirricular, friendships and overall education of ALL.
Keep Things the way they are - It's all about the kids - Junior hight is so important for the kids. All communities should work together.
That the conversation is fair & balanced, and in the end, the students, their education & their social well being comes first
What benefits are in for ALL the kids? This is our kids lives and education we are playing with Will our kids really benefit from this? What kind of cuts are we looking at short & long term?
an unbiased discussion: Too Late_Questionnaire was bias.
The gains of change are for Beaverlodge only and are not educational, social or economic. The students gain nothing
My hopes are that we keep in mind the best interest for the kids.
Be Honest_ Is moving school really a good business decision? New school already in place.
The board had the info to make a decision, not starting a popularity contest
What is best for the students What will happen with funding in Hythe? What will happen with spots programs (volleyball, basketball, etc) Would like to see more unbiased info
That we can strengthen our schools & focus on buidling better relationships. Our children depend on the inter connections they make at school for their futures.
Change
Allowing our children to learn and grow while experiencing their own communities surrounded by their friends and familes
We live 10 minutes from BL - our kids bus ride to Hythe was 1 hour & 50 minutes. Makes no sense
Think what is best for our children
For the voices of the community of Beaverlodge to be heard
To find a solution to bring Jr High programming to Beaverlodge
Seek to understand the desire of the community. I believe Scenario 2 would deliver this.
To find a solution to this on going issue.
To have some real opinions from community members heard.
Make it easier for local parents by keeping education in our community.
Make Beaverlodge Great Again. MBGA!

---

Time to think of our kids 1st instead of politics!

---

To offer community education in Beaverlodge. K-8, 9-12 our children, our future.

---

To finally listen and realize Beaverlodge students matter.

---

Find a solution that is best for both schools - kids are the focus here.

---

Why are we bussing from K-6 to a K-9 when there is room at BES?

How are the current BES kids being affected with budget cuts?

---

It's the Trustees responsibility to be present & hear from their constituents. Where are they?

---

The loss of transportation grant for bussing to Hythe is a drop in the bucket compared to the overall budget and grants can fluctuate.

Approx. .1 - .2 % of overall budget

---

To really look at the added stresses being put on the kids with the long commutes everyday (3 hours +)

---

Why are the trustees not attending the public forums when they are deciding our students fate. Very disappointing

---

To have a discussion about creating a full K-12 education in the community we live in.

---

to generate conversation surrounding the best options for students and families from all communities.

---

Find out how my kids will be impacted by the loss of \$122,000 when it seems funding is already slim.

---

Declining enrollment at BES is evidence that there is a need for community schooling

---

That is the priority = be the students quality of life

---

Hope that PWPSD keeps Beaverlodge students home K-12

---

Keeping our children where they should be in our community. Keep our enrollment up & our school thriving. BES is a very special place.

---

To find a solution to the declining numbers.

---

Change - our kids matter.

---

To find a solution to declining enrollment regardless of this decision. What are we going to do to move onward (Win, Win)

---

Keep kids in their local community

---

To truly work together as a West End Community and build on the good thing we already have.

---

A true Truth & Reconciliation; Be together, work together.

---

## Student Conversations

PWPSD staff spoke to elementary, junior high and high school students at Hythe Regional School, Beaverlodge Elementary School, and Beaverlodge Regional High School, asking them to share their

perspectives on junior high programming. These conversations were held between February 7 and 13, 2023.

## Hythe Regional School

### What do you enjoy about attending Hythe Regional School?

---

seeing my friends

---

the kind teachers

---

some nice teacher

---

seeing my friends

---

Teacher helping us with what we need.

---

Going on school field trips and seeing friends

---

about field trip

---

my friends

---

when i first joined they got cookies

---

doing art.

---

The park; playing basketball, soccer, and swinging on the swings. I like different teachers at this school. Being able to play cards and ping pong, doing puzzles

---

good

---

having friends from beaverlodge

---

people from hythe to socialize with

---

my friends, the teachers because they are really nice

---

how the staff are so nice in the morning and whenever they can be

---

my friends and sometimes the work.

---

I enjoy all the sports teams and how many opportunities you have to try new things.

---

I enjoy my friends that go here and the teachers are really nice .

---

I enjoy having my hythe friends in the same school as me.

---

The thing I enjoy about going to hythe regional school is making friends and all the kind teachers that like to help. I also like all the Beaver Lodge kids coming here to the school because then it's a chance to make more friends.

---

I enjoy seeing the other kids from the other kids from different towns

---

i just switched school and made new friends but they all live in beaverlodge so one of the most enjoyable things about hythe to me is the new friends that i have made and that i made them so quickly

---



friends
yes
Being able to make friends from here before high school.
Meeting new people.
The different subjects in gym
my friends
its fun because all my friends are here and i like the solizing part of school here
meeting my friends
very much yes
Meeting new people, having extra options during school, bigger school sport teams
spread out class
nothing
I like the variety of students and sports at Hythe Regional School.
I get to meet new people and I like the fact that I can change schools twice and get a fresh start at a new school and new teachers when I come to Hythe and then again when I come to Beaverlodge highschool.
I enjoy coming to school in the morning and seeing my friends and having a little break before school starts. I also like having sports teams and some presentations.
meeting new people and making friends
making new friends that come from beaverlodge
The teachers, and shop classes at the highschool.
i like my freinds
Seeing some of my friends.
i have a lot of friends here and i like the teachers
i love this school a love how they teach me and its a great school
more people to meet
i enjoy that there are lots of sports teams and my friends are here .
the nice teachers and the subjects
5 minute breaks gives me time to get organized and have quick snack
Nothing in particular it's just a normal school.
its good iv met new people and made some new friends the five minute break gives me time to get a drink get a snack
having friends
What i enjoy about Hythe Regional School is that i can make new friends that have came from hythe that i dont know.

---

I enjoy most things about attending school in Hythe as well as after-school activities such as sports and such.

---

friends!

---

the nice teachers

---

yes

---

my friends

---

That there are new people to talk with

---

I enjoy attending Hythe regional school because all of my friends were going here so i wanted to go here as well as them.

---

meeting all of the new people

---

I enjoy it because the teacher are very kind and I became very close with lots of kids from Hythe that went to this school before.

---

csw, having friends, my mom works hear

---

I get to interact with student from other communities and have options towards what sports i do

---

i love the lunch breaks, having multiple teachers, i love the option classes

---

the teachers are nicer

---

its good

---

In the Hythe school I have friends and good teachers.

---

i like switching classrooms and meeting people.

---

The teachers are nice and I have lots of friends. The extracurricular activities are another big thing because I LOVE sports.

---

I enjoy the enthusiastic and greeting feeling I get everyday I walk into school, even fellow students.

---

a longer bus ride so we can start later.

---

I enjoy having multiple option classes

---

there is a computer room

---

i love the bus ride here i like all of my glasses and the resion i like the bus ride

---

not much i like playing sports here but for the most part i really do not enjoy this school

---

I get to see my friends

---

The diversity and teachers.

---

seeing my friends

---

nothing

---

i see my friends

---

meeting new friends and having differnt choices of who i hangout with and the teachers

---

nothing

---

---

I enjoyed how I was able to make friends from Hythe even though I don't like some of the kids.

---

my friend and gym that about it.

---

fimillar faces are always comforting but it also depends on who it is.

---

Being with my friends

---

i meet new people and make newfriends

---

the people and the bus ride

---

nothing honestly

---

nothing

---

some of the teachers and my friends

---

evetything

---

how it starts latter

---

the times the school starts and stops

---

I enjoy having shorter days and csw's here. I also enjoy the sports and activities.

---

i like it because of my friends and the k and e group

---

the teachers

---

i enjoy that we can make more friends before we go to the high school with all the big kids.

---

my friends

---

Get to meet new people, better social life. Get lots of help with my classes.

---

I enjoyed having shorter days and CSW.

---

i enjoy the schools fridays off

---

It gives me more opportunities to make new friends and try new things that I would've never thought about doing.I have met my best friends at this school who are very important to me. The teachers play a big role too, I believe it is a possibility that some of my favourite teachers would no longer teach here anymore.

---

its not as far as dawson is

---

the things that i like about hythe regionol is that i get to hang with my friends.

---

i enjoy all the fun stuff we get to do at this school

---

The things that i like about hrs is the csw, dances and the fun activites like a fun day before along break.

---

i like attending hythe because all of my friends and cousins are here and i like being around them and none of my cousins go to beverloge.

---

i don't know

---

I enjoy our freedoms and that we get to see our friends.

---

I like that we have k and e to help me with classes and dances and every second friday off

---

---

I get to meet my friends that live near Hythe and the dances and the teachers.

---

I love the extra time we get on the bus on our way there in the mornings and I like the students here aswell most of them can undertsnad me due to them not just being from hythe

---

Theres enough students to make friends, and if you get in a fight with someone you dont have to feel alone cause theres other more people you get along with.

---

i like the teachers and i like hanging out with my friends

---

yes

---

My friends

---

Making new friends

---

meeting new friends and having lots of fun learning and playing volleyball and school sports and having lots of success

---

nice teachers, friends

---

the classes

---

Making new friends

---

Learning

---

I enjoy the new scenery, cultural variety

---

I have made lots of friends and memories

---

Seeing my Friends everyday.

---

hanging with friends

---

seeing my friends

---

Yes

---

sure

---

My friends.

---

riding the bus

---

the bus ride and not being in one classroom for the whole day

---

i enjoy about hythe is pe at defferent times

---

Friends

---

My friends

---

The days feel like they go by quicker and the assignments are not huge and difficult things.

---

i like that I can be with my friends

---

I enjoy not having a long bus ride and staying in the school till grade 9 and knowing everyone and a very cohesive learning ability

---

The teaches are good

---

---

The option of having sports teams.

---

seeing khale

---

Because i get to see friends

---

nothing except seeing friends

---

not really anything but seeing my friends

---

The main thing that I enjoy about attending HRS is the extra bus ride from the high school, which gives me a little bit more time to read, and I don't mind the smaller lunch period. I also like the distance of the school from both the high school and the elementary school, which makes the swap from grade 6-7 seem more significant.

---

Seeing Mrs Belcourt

---

I enjoy the fact that I get to meet new people and make new friends, and I like some of the teachers that teach at this school.

---

idk

---

New school and dont have to stay in the elementary in beaverlogde for jr high years.

---

A way to meet new friends, a new place

---

i love it i get to see the boys every day

---

Absolutely nothing everything about this school sucks

---

I enjoy sience.

---

The people."the staff and children"

---

nothing its shit.

---

friends

---

I enjoy seeing all of my friends and the teachers and playing badminton.

---

I enjoy it because all my friends also go to hythe. I also like playing basketball and doing track and field.

---

Some techers are nice. we have option classes

---

Seeing my friends

---

There is a ke-program for kids who struggle in school all my freinds are here and we have some pretty awesome teachers.

---

I enjoy the sports teams we have at hythe.

---

cree class

---

## What are you most excited about in attending junior high at Hythe Regional School?

---

being a cool junior high

---

---

getting to pick our own classes so i like art so i might pick art

---

that the'r is only 5 more years left of school

---

good

---

The classes

---

I get to go to school at 9pm

---

bring a phone

---

kinda just excited

---

you get your phone in class untill bell rings

---

to see my old friends

---

I don't know

---

seeing my friends from hythe

---

everything

---

My Mom might be my teacher.

---

Seeing my brother in grade 9.

---

its a new school and we get to take the bus

---

The dances and the fun activities also more older people

---

to see kids that i did last year

---

seeing my sister in grade 9 and seeing my friends from hythe

---

getting on a transefer bus and seeing some of my friends

---

more friends new school

---

I'm most exited about meeting new people and the dance.

---

It will be a new school, a new start, and new people

---

we can have our phones in class

---

i don't know

---

im excited the attend hythe Regional school because there will be more room, more classes, and more people

---

you get a longer recces and you get too wear hats

---

i think it will be a fresh start, new friends and teachers

---

nothing

---

you get longer recesses.

---

just going to a new school will be cool

---

---

none of it

---

i have lots of friends and cousins there

---

more people

---

a new school

---

trying out for basketball and volleyball

---

I do want to go to hyth to try something new

---

getting a new start at a new school

---

Im not going to Hythe But if I did I would enjoy my friends being there.

---

vollyball and basketball

---

Seeing all of my friends from hythe and getting to go from class to class and not be in one class all the time

---

the school sports thats it

---

to go to some were different then our school

---

i dont know

---

it should stay.

---

fun

---

teachers

---

Getting to learn bigger and better things.

---

the oprutunut

---

Seeing what the school looks like.

---

bigger school,more things to do

---

making friends

---

I get to see my grandma

---

la

---

making friends

---

Nothing

---

to see my cosines

---

to switch classes and doing sports i really wanna do

---

I am excited about going to Hythe school because I will meet new friends and teachers

---

making now frends

---

I am excited that I get to meet new people and I think it will be a good experiance to go to a new school

---

Im excited to go to hythe regional school because my cousins go there.

---

That I can see old friends That I lost as I switched From Maultebal schools.

I'm excited about most is driving to a school that have people I don't know.

the art

having a new school

How there will be a bigger school.

meeting new people and making new friends

Seeing my friends that are older than me and my cousins.

I am excited about the gym activities .

I'm excited about seeing all my friends there.(From Hythe)

having more subjects

Im excited to be in the same school as my brothers and to meet the teachers

I'm excited for the more subjects that we will have and the more people meet and the new teachers

The art looks cool

i can make friends new classes

Being a teen and making new friends

I am excited for the dances

seeing my sister

I'm excited about everything.

Lots but I can't remember what.

To play basketball.

Phones, hats, basketball.

To see all my Beaverlodge friends and Hythe.

Sports and using my phone in school.

Grade 7. Everything. To Draw.

Joining volleyball and the dances.

Most of the time I just don't think about it because I still have the whole year ahead, so not really anything yet.

The sports so I can be like my Dad when he used to come to Hythe school and play.

I'm excited because I get to go to dances and I will get a bigger locker.

I am excited about seeing new friends and doing new activities.

I am most excited to be able to have more teachers and walk around between classes. I am also excited about making new friends from the Beaverlodge school.



---

I am excited to see some Beaverlodge friends.

---

I get to see my junior high friends and get to do other classes.

---

To go on my phone so I can talk to people. A lot more teachers to see.

---

I am excited for the Beaverlodge kids to come to HRS. I get to play on a school team!

---

I'm excited about having more teachers, meaning I'll be able to know and feel comfortable around others.

---

I'm really excited for the junior high to come because my best friend from grade 4 will be coming.

---

I am excited about the sports teams and the Beaverlodge kids.

---

I'm excited about being closer to my sisters and being closer to my cousins.

---

Snack

---

I'm excited to attend junior high because I get to go to dances and having multiple different teachers.

---

I am most excited about being able to annoy my brother and being able to see one of my best friends.

---

I am most excited to meet new kids because I dislike most of the kids in my class because I've had the same class since kindergarten and I need new kids.

---

## What are your feelings about attending Hythe Regional School for junior high?

---

happy

---

nervous and happy

---

good

---

im happy to attend jounior high

---

I fell OK nowing that people want to help

---

Scared

---

happy or anger sometimes sad

---

meh

---

oddly excited

---

happy.

---

I don't know

---

I'm excited to meet the Beaverlodge kids and to meet the teachers.

---

---

Very, very, very, very, very good

---

I don't know. New people, friends.

---

Excited.

---

Nervous.

---

Excited.

---

Fun. A place that is fun.

---

I'm not excited about it because we have different teachers for every class and I like it when we have one teacher for almost everything.

---

Kinda worried it's been kinda crazy in the past two years but maybe I wanna go to Beaverlodge this year in grade six to try and meet new people. I'm going to miss my friends but sometimes I wanna start a new year at a new school.

---

I am excited because my best friend from Beaverlodge is coming.

---

I am feeling happy because my friends and family say its really cool.

---

I am excited and nervous but mostly excited especially because I get to bug my brother next year.

---

I am excited about what we get to do.

---

Excited but scared.

---

Scared because I think I'm going to be cyber bullied so I'm nervous.

---

I am feeling really good about going to HRS so I can see the Beaverlodge kids.

---

Nervous and happy.

---

I'm excited because I get to see the Beaverlodge kids when they come next year because my friends will be attending that I usually don't see. I've been waiting for this for years.

---

Excited and a little nervous.

---

Really happy because I can make new friends.

---

I don't know.

---

I'm excited and nervous at the same time, I'm excited and nervous at the same time. I'm excited because I get to do things that we don't get to do in elementary like being able to go to dances. I'm nervous because the work looks very hard/intimidating.

---

I'm feeling nervous and excited about attending HRS for Jr. high.

---

I am feeling nervous because I am going to learn harder things but I am feeling happy because I will get to see my Beaverlodge friends.

---

## If a change was made to junior high programming what would that mean to you as a student?

---

good little

---

it would mean that i would have less friends

---

If the grade nines went to the high school next year i would not be with my friends from grade 8 that are on my hockey team

---

i would have to go to a new school without anyone that i know

---

i wouldn't see all my friends as much because i have lots of friends from beaverlodge

---

it would feel so different and weird.

---

It would mean alot of my best friends would leave and we wouldn't have big sports teams if we even had one.

---

i would probly not be that happy because i dont have that many good friends and one of my bestfriends who i trust and known for a really long time and they live in beaverlodge so i think that it would just be hard not to see them in school and that often.

---

I would not get to see my hythe friends, I would have to be with the little kids and a smaller older school

---

This would mean to me as a student that, if the Beaver lodge kids stoped coming to Hythe i feel like the school would be so empty and there would be no more friends to make also alot of the teachers would lose there jobs. What would we do with all the extra classrooms. The basketball team or anyother team would be so empty and we wouldnt really have anything fun to do.

---

It wouldn't bother me but it may effect my friendships

---

I think a common thing to think of the grade 7s here is that everybody likes their option class and I just found out today that if we have less staff then we won't be able to do as much of that stuff that students would like to do and I think it is a very important part of learning

---

i wouldnt get to see as many of my friends

---

a lot

---

nothing

---

The opportunities would be lessened of what extra curricular and other sorts of option classes could be held at the school.

---

i wouldnt really mind

---

get our hunting licence in shcool

---

I wouldnt get to see most of my friends

---

some of my friends would go to the beaverlodge school instead of hythe regional school

---

it would probaby be confusing as what they are doing now is already a really good program and relearning would be a bit toublesome

---

---

This would mean meeting less people and having smaller sports teams

---

i would be sad and happy i dont have to go on the bus but i dont meet new people

---

i dont know

---

We would not have as many sport teams or options and it would make my experience less enjoyable.

---

I personally wouldn't like it because then the grade 9's next year will be coming to the highschool and that will affect me as a grade 10 this year.

---

That would mean that most of my friends would go to a different school and I wouldnt see them til highschool.

---

it wouldn't really affect me, but if i was in grade 8 i would want to go to the highschool next year.

---

for going into grade 10. it would be very cramped in high school. even more cramped then it is now.

---

It'll mean I'll have grade 9s at the same school I will be in (if a grade 9 program is tacked onto the already standing highschool on in Beaverlodge).

---

If I was thinking about this last year, it means I can avoid the problematic horselake and hythe kids since they might not go to beaverlodge, and I can manage the beaverlodge kids since I'm used to their shinanigans.

---

it would be better because i would be in my home town it would also mean i have more freedom and i could be closer to where my parents work.

---

I think it'd work for me. Giving me an easier schedule, and it's a nice opportunity.

---

i don't really want to switch schools i like Hythe so i guess i would be pretty sad

---

i think it would be good because i would have a bus ride thats longer

---

i wouldnt like it, i likr'e hythe

---

personally i the only thing that i would be upset about is the time we start and end school

---

it would not afect me beacase i live in hythe

---

i would feel good i would be closer to home, i dont like switching to a different bus

---

It wouldn't mean anything to me really.

---

well i have met a lot of friends that come from beaverlodge and if they left i would not get to see all of my friends everyday and then our classes would be empty we would have no sports because their would not be enough people

---

it would be sad

---

It would mean to me that i would go back to the beverlodge Elementary school and then instead of going to hythe i would be going to the High school in beverlodge.

---

not much but I have friends from Beaverlodge.

---

it would be alrite because i live close

---

nothing

---

if we went to baeverloge i would lose friends and a job that i do for the school

---

not really nothing it doesnt matter to me

---

---

I would be missing my friends that i made from beaver loge

---

It would mean i would change schools if there was a problem with programming because i dont like my name to be spred across the school

---

it would mean that i would get less bussing time, not getting as many options

---

i would be kind of disappointed because then we would have to re learn a different part of the Beaverlodge school and have to meet new teachers and all that stuff.

---

it would be bad because i would have to be in a beavorloge school with no csw

---

If we were to stay in beaverlodge i would be able to walk around in town with friends or go to family memebbers houses but i would not be able to see my friends from hythe or horselake

---

i would have more school time, less time on the bus [which i dont want]

---

sad

---

its going to be sad when the kids leve

---

I would not be happy because I have friends in hythe and I like CSWs.

---

i wouldn't mind because i wouldnt have to drive on a bus very long

---

If a change was made to the programming it wouldn't affect me a whole lot.

---

I originally live in Hythe and have gone to Hythe regional since grade 1 and if there was any significant change I would probably be confused for a certain amount of time but it would probably effect my classes and classmates.

---

it would be nicer because i would be closer to home.

---

if a programming was changed it would mean to me that it would be a lot different next year

---

i would be happy

---

id rather just keep it the way it is because my friends would leave

---

id be way happier if i stayed in beaverldoge most of my friends go there and i never got bullied there unlike hythe get bullied a lot and made fun of.

---

it wouldnt matter to me because it wouldnt change while Im here

---

It would mean that my little brother would not have as many opportunities to socialize and that affects me because he is family

---

nothing

---

idc

---

im from horse lake

---

it would lessen the money for the school so we wouldn't have the suppliys

---

I honestly probably wouldn't care since it is my last year here.

---

It would honestly probably impact me lots because I have made lots of friends here at Hythe and I don't know what I would do without them.

---

---

If a change did happen I wouldn't really get affected but I would lose maybe about 3 friends

---

It depends on the change, it would propbably be weird at first.

---

wouldn't be able to see my friends at hythe

---

i dont mind becuse ittsschool

---

i wouldnt want the grade 9's at the highschool and i think staying in beaverlodge for 7 and 8 would suck

---

If it meant that it wouldn't greatly affect my school life and my grades or education in any way then I couldn't really care

---

i couldnt see my freinds from beaverlodge

---

It would mean that i wouldnt have met any of my very very good friends, and the students younger then me wont get the ability to easily make friends with Beaver kids and they wouldnt have as many oportunities as we did because they wont have as much funding.

---

not much

---

---

that would mean more chance to learn at a higher level

---

If a change was made I wouldn't be able to see almost all my closest friends on a daily basis. If I never came to this school I wouldn't have met new people or have as many friends as I do now.

---

i would like not because i wont have all the friends i have

---

it will be sad

---

that would mean to me that thier would be not as good sports teams and that i would have way less friend becuse they all come from beaverlodge.

---

i would stay at hythe

---

You wouldn't make as many friends, would affect my education. I would not get as much help.

---

I won't see most of my friends.

---

if the grade nines were to go to high school i would be happy because i think it would benifit my learning but i also think if the grade nines move to the high school all of them should including the people living out of the school zone.

---

I would be very devastated that my best friends would leave to a new school and I wouldn't be able to see them every week anymore. I would affect my mental health a lot if the people that mean the most to me would be at a different school. Same with volleyball, i feel the school team wouldn't be the same anymore if beaverlodge students were to leave.

---

i would not be in k&e

---

i think that would be a big descion but i wont love to try the idea.

---

um i think that would be different for a lot of people i think it would be kinda cool because am going to grade 9 next year but am a hythe kid but i would probably move schools so i could be in highschool

---

Well if it happened right now i probly be lonely and be depresed but i have'nt been here for along time but i like this "school".

---

---

it would mean that i dont get to see my cousins or some of my friends at school anymore.

---

it would be scary

---

As a student I would hate it so much if any change was to happen. I enjoy junior high so much and i love that we have schoool dances and that our school can give us that but with not as many students they cant give us that. We would have as many option classes and I wouldnt get to see most of my friends and i would have a close relashonship with them.

---

it would mean i fail all my classes because theres no k and e

---

I will be Disappointed because some of my friends are in Hythe . And I am just getting to like it here and getting along with the people cause of this school

---

depending on the change really but if there was a change it would probably stress me out if there is a change I would have to get used to the new change depending on it

---

In my old school it was very small with only about 15 kids in my whole class. Pre-School to grade 12, only 200 kids. If this school gets smaller just like how my old one was it may mean more bullying. The school system is very much going downhill. Teachers tend to care less about the kids and treat some of us like crap due to low pay and not caring about us very much. So when it becomes a small school more bullying cause less teachers care. I've seen it first hand. I know this could just be how bad my old school was and may not happen here but in my point of veiww. This could go wrong. Even grade eights going to the highschool could be so bad. Even younger kids over here are vaping in grade 6. The older grades influence that on younger kids. Grade twelves have a very diffierent maturity level then us.

---

I would be sad because I like the Hythe school.

---

i dont know

---

I could be able to get a better sleep

---

I wouldn't like it bc it wouldn't give you the chance to make new friends

---

Loose most of my friends, have early school days starting more early then usual, no CSW, not have as many students in the school as before, not as many option classes, barely any teachers or students

---

I happy to stay

---

it would be upsetting

---

I would not be with most of my friends

---

That, would be great

---

It would be that I would pretty much have to start all over. Most of my friends would to this school, I would have to relearn stuff a different way, ect

---

I wouldn't get to see my friends and I would not be able to have early weekends

---

It would honestly make me sad since i, would have to go to a different school and not see most of my friends everyday.

---

less bus time

---

i wouldn't really care, i just come to see my friends

---

I wouldn't like going ( I want the high school to still to scav)

---

idc

---

---

I won't really care as long as i won't go on the bus.

---

it would Chang where i go

---

that i would have to learn it

---

7 to 8 together and 9 to 12 together

---

It would mean a lot since I would like to stay at Hythe since I've been here my whole school year and I moved to Goodfare when I started grade 7

---

I would be happy i don't like Hythe

---

It wouldn't affect me as much due to the fact I would stay at this school, the most it would affect is my friend group and separation.

---

I wouldn't be able to see my baba at work and I won't be able to walk with my sister and brother

---

It would mean that the classes would be smaller and that would mean no more Cree because the class is already small and no after school program

---

It would be different

---

It would mean that I don't get to see my brother in junior high.

---

It wouldn't mean much

---

I would not see my friends

---

i don't really know it won't really effect me except i'll have a shorter bus ride

---

i'd be pretty sad about it because all my friends would be going to Beaverlodge

---

If the change was made, I don't think it would affect me greatly, as decisions like this one take a large amount of time to happen. At the very earliest, I might be swapped to high school at grade 9, which wouldn't change much, and I believe that people already in Hythe will be finishing their education in Hythe as normal.

---

More sleep, Me being less angry at people, See more people, Not having to ride a school bus every day.

---

The change to stay in Beaverlodge would be very efficient for me and my family. I'm a multi-sport athlete, so I have basketball after school at HRS, then at Beaverlodge immediately after I have volleyball. This is frustrating because I always have to be late for volleyball practice because of the drive between Beaverlodge and Hythe. If I was just in Beaverlodge, being late would never be a problem. This change would also be efficient for my parents, for they would not have to use as much fuel driving to and from Hythe. Bussing 120 students a day on an Albertan Provincial Highway every day on a two-way highway can be dangerous, and could possibly result in death if accidents were to happen. There are more stuff and activities for students to do in Beaverlodge, such as the pool, the rink, the gym, the community center, etc. I would have so much more time after and before school to do anything because I wouldn't have to worry about catching a bus. It would be better for my younger brother who is still in BES, he would never have to worry about having to spend 3 years bussing every day to a Hamlet in the middle of nowhere. If I were in Beaverlodge I would be closer to my brother, which would be easier for my parents to pick us up for appointments or having to leave school early. This change would be very efficient for the 120 kids transferring to Hythe, so it should be in place.

---

idk

---

Less time I have to spend on my bus.

---



---

It would mean not much to me really, all it would do to me is have the grade 8s come to high school in Grade 9. I wouldn't be affected much.

---

it would make me sad because i have been attending this school all my life and i love it

---

nothing really

---

i think it would be fine because change.

---

I would not go to school with the same people.

---

nothing.

---

A lot of my friends would be in a different school.

---

i would not like it because i have friends in grade 7 and 8 and high school a lot of bad things happen and they are still too young.

---

I might not be able to do basketball if there is not enough people. Some of my friends would not go to school at Hythe.

---

That would mean that a lot of stuff has happened at Hythe that has made it so we have to change the schooling systems.

---

not much

---

Well some of my friends might not go to school with me

---

That would mean that I might have to go to a different school

---

idk

---

## If things stayed the same at Hythe Regional School, what would that mean to you as a student?

---

lots of work

---

i would like it a lot better than it changing

---

I would get to be with all my friends and it would, in my opinion be overall more fun

---

it would be amazing if things stayed the same because it's a lot of change that would be happening

---

it would be more fun because i have lots of friends from Beaverlodge and they always make my days better.

---

it would feel ok there is nothing wrong with the rules right now.

---

it would mean all my Beaverlodge friends would stay and we would still have sports teams and things like dances.

---

I would be really happy because i would have my friends with me and people i know and i think that it would just be easier if i know other people like Beaver kids in high school.

---

It would be good because the sports teams are better you have more friends in one school and you get to ride a transfer bus.

---

As a student this would mean that I would really like this because it's

---

I would very much like it to say so i can see most of my friends and the teachers that i like.

---

---

that would mean a lot to me because all of the thing here are awesome because there is more people here to make it a better experience for all and a better transition from junior high to high school and would make it easier on everyone

---

i would get to see my friends

---

Not much

---

nothing

---

That I would get to be in a bigger school and have 10x the opportunities as one would in a smaller school.

---

i wouldnt really mind

---

i would lose a bunch of my friends

---

It would mean that i would be able to see all of my friends and it fun how it is now i think but if we went to the highschool it would be better

---

I would still be going to beaverlodge highschool with my friends or people i somewhat know

---

i would love if it stayed the same, i love meeting new people from vahalla and i like the bus ride and the way we do things.

---

This wouldnt affect me but as for younger grades it'll allow them to meet new peopole

---

i could meet more people

---

we good

---

I would get to continue enjoying all the activities at school and continue to have a favourable experience.

---

it would make it so the grade 9's don't join the highschool and i wouldn't have to deal with them for an extra year.

---

That would mean that I could keep coming to school and having a break when I get there.

---

it again wouldn't really affect me, but it should stay how it is because of sports teams and options wouldn't be the same.

---

it would be less cramped at beaverlodge high. and everything in hythe would stay the same.

---

Nothing, I'm leaving this school. Everything will stay the same, so I'll be stuck with learning how to survive the kids that drive me insane.

---

it would not be good becuse i am on the bus for an hour and a half both ways it is not as good for my parents becuse i am in a nother community i do not have as much freedom because i dont get to walk around town at lunch and i dont get to support my own town.

---

I'd be a little bit dissapointed. It'd seem like a missed opportunity

---

i would be really happy

---

i would still love it her and a would be happy

---

i would like it, i know many people in older grades that would stay in hythe, and my mom went to hythe for jr high

---

i would be a little upset because i would be excited to possibbly go to the high school

---

it would be good for me

---

i would be fine

---

---

nothing, again.

---

if nothing changed about the school i would be happy

---

it would be good

---

If things stayed the same kids from the elementary school would come to hythe just like it is right now. Then when they finish grade 9 they would go to the high school.

---

I might not be able to do sports and some friends are from beaverlodge.

---

i like the way things are already so nothing

---

it would be good

---

i would love that if it stayed the same

---

if it was the same at the beginning it would be perfect but i dont like the new stuff they did

---

I would be happy because my friends would be able to stay and i can still talk to different people.

---

It would mean that i would stay here and continue doing what im already doing with my friends

---

it would mean to me as a student that i would get to meet all of the amazing people here in HRS and that i get to do more fun things like being on school teams

---

it would make me feel glad because i really like this school.

---

it would be good because csw, and my mom is here

---

it would mean the same bus rides to school every morning and afternoon, id be able to see friends do extra curriculars, options and keep the well loved csWs

---

i would have to continue taking long bus rides [which i love]

---

yes

---

if it stays the same i will be happy bc meting now peopol

---

I would be happy because my friends are at hythe and the sports are fun, it is only a 15 minute bus ride anyways.

---

that would mean a lot, i really like it

---

I would be happy because I love this school and I have made good friends and have good bonds here.

---

I would be pretty happy I would say because, I like and understand the way the school works currently especially with the amount of friends I have made in Junior high.

---

i would not like it because if the rodes are icy the bus can hit the ditch

---

it would mean that i would have the same or bigger chance as always if the bus is late to being to school

---

i would be happy

---

id like it that way because the kids that leave to the other school as are friends we will not see for 2 years

---

it would mean i still would have to deal with getting bullied and harrassed by the hythe and horse lake kids

---

it wouldnt matter to me because it wouldnt change while Im here

---

---

It would mean that my little brother would have a very similar experience as me and he would have many opportunities to join sports teams, socialize with many groups, etc.

---

nothing

---

it wouldnt matter to me

---

id be fine

---

it wouldnt change anything for me

---

That would be great because other kids would be happy about it.

---

It would honestly mean nothing to me.

---

nothing I would just do school like normal

---

It could possibly be boring?

---

---

its finei wouldnot care

---

i think it would be good

---

It wouldn't really mean anything to me but it would only mean that I could go on with my life basically

---

i can see my feinds

---

i feel as though it would be better for Hythe if the beaver kids stayed, but i also think that if the beaver kids stayed in beaver it would be better for them.

---

not much

---

---

less schoolwork

---

If things were the same I would continue to have many options for classes and a variety of activities. I'd also get to see my friends every day and keep our close relationships.

---

it would kinda suck because i would still get bullied and i would like less

---

it will be

---

if things stayed the same that would mean to me more friends at my school and better sports teams.

---

nothing because it would stay the same

---

I think it would be a lot better. I would have a lot more option classes, I would still get lots of help, and keep all my friends.

---

There will be CSW days.

---

i would be a disappointed

---

I am very happy as it is right now and it wouldn't affect me at all. I love the way HRS is set up right now and I don't want it to change.

---

it would be a good thing because i would have more friends

---

---

i would't care ..but its geting annyioing to drive on the bus back to beverloge.

---

i think that would be good if it did stay the same but i think it would be sweet if it did

---

Nothing. I would not be lonely and i would be chill for the next year. Thats what i think see you .MAKE THE RIGHT decision.Bye

---

it means that i get to see my friends and cousins more often and he can hangout at school.

---

it would be better for me because why would i want to be separated from my only friends

---

As a student it would mean alot to me because because we would be able to et every other friday off and i would still be with my friends. If we were able to stay here we wouldnt have semestered systems and i would be able to learn at a good pace and not rush my learning.

---

it would mean i pass and we would still have fun

---

Very happy that I get to see friends and still make friends and see my teachers agian.

---

life would be the same its not the best but i prefer it over most i would not be stressed iw ould be tired etc its all the same

---

Everything I said in the last paragraph wouldnt be happening, but I know I'm the studnet so my opinion may not matter, this seems like something to just pretend this school cares about us, but I cant say whats false and true. As long as you guys thinm its right then go for it.

---

If there wasn,Ãt a change I would be fine and happy.

---

it would be cool

---

I wouldn,Ãt get as much sleep as I should be getting

---

I would love ut

---

All my friends would stay with me, great volleyball team and basketball, getting up later, going to shop, option classes

---

I happy to go to Beaverlodge

---

itg would be easier

---

I would stay with my friends and I would be in hythe for my sisters first year to help her out

---

No good

---

It would mean I would be able to see this through. I still have so much to do! I want to learn more about this school (I would have stronger points except the internet sucks and deleted my original thing)

---

I can continue to make memories

---

It would mean that i could stay at this school, and be able to see all 2 of my friends who live in Hythe

---

less fridays

---

i,Ãd like it better because i,Ãm already used to how it is

---

I would enjoy coming (I want gr.9 grad)

---

i dont really care

---

---

It would be the same but i don't want to be in a combined class like 7 and 8. If you could get the people who want to go to Beaver lodge let them but i feel there wouldn't be as much schools. We should just keep it the same so nothing has to change.

---

it wold stay here

---

that everything would be the same

---

i wound not care but i would like to be closer to home

---

It would be alot better for me since I am getting a job in hythe and I've been here since kindergarten so I know this school very well and I would not want to go to the beaverlodge school

---

Once again, will not affect me too much but it would keep my friend group together and might make it easier for other students and their learning.

---

I would be able to see my baba and be able to sleep longer then if I had to go to beaverlodge and I'll be able to get coffee

---

It would mean more curriculur activities at the school and would mean second language till 9th grade

---

It would be the same

---

It would mean that I get to go to the same school as my brother and I get to play sports with him

---

I would be very tired every day and i would have to ride a bus every morning and afternoon for ten months.

---

I would get to continue to see my friends

---

id be a bit mad because of the length of the bus ride its almost an hour to hythe for me on a bus

---

id be happy

---

This would mean I would continue my education as normal, and continue taking an extra bus ride and having a shorter lunch (neither of which bothers me)

---

I am going to be in a mood all the time and i wont be able to pay attention because i am so tired

---

It would mean having to annoyingly bus to Hythe every day, more of a cost on my parents for fuel, still being late for sports, waking up early to catch the transfer bus, not having any extra activities to do in the town

---

idk

---

Nothing would change and id still have the same time on the bus.

---

Don't get to see my friends in grade 8 for awhile. Other than that, not much at all.

---

I would likeit cause i love the school

---

Honestly couldn't care less

---

it wolud be normal.

---

I would get to keep my friends

---

good things cus then i can be in the highschool for at least one year without the annoying grade.8s

---

I would have lots of friends in the same school.

---

---

i would like it alot

---

I could still do basketball

---

That people weren't speaking out their opions because i know a lot of parents who want their kids to stay at beverlodge  
id like that better

---

it would be better for the students and the beaverlodge kids will contiunue to be exposed to cultrul diversity

---

That would mean nothing to me because nothing would change

---

it wouldnt mean anything

---

## **Beaverlodge Elementary School**

### **What do enjoy about attending Beaverlodge Elementary School?**

---

i can bike to school in the summer

---

gym

---

My siblings and friends are here.

---

Not much it is school but seeing my friends.

---

the teachers are kind

---

sometimes

---

i only like seeing freinds

---

i only enjoy seeing my friends

---

the teachers are kind

---

friends

---

I enjoy having my friends in my classes and the people are nice.

---

I get to see my friends

---

it is close to my house so i dont have to take a bus

---

recess

---

most of the kids are nice and the teachers are also nice

---

Its closer too my house and i don't have to ride a longer bus ride than i have.

---

getting to see my friends every week day

---

the teachers are kind.im close to my family

---

When we take buses they are not a long time to get to school.

---

I just generaly like it

---

---

It's what I'm used to here, this is the only school I've been to but my friends go here so that is what I most enjoy

---

the kids

---

we have fun avents

---

all of my friends are here

---

all my freinds are here

---

we have alot of great teachers and principal

---

It is fun school to be at people are kind.

---

we do fun things and everyone is kind

---

I enjoy all the teachers and students here.

---

i am the oldest in the school

---

All of the activities and opportunities

---

the events at the school and my friends

---

there is a lot of nice kids and nice teachers

---

being new

---

I think it should change

---

good

---

gim

---

Getting to see my friends and learning.

---

friends

---

The teachers are really nice!

---

seeing friends and nice teachers

---

friends

---

that I have a lot of friends and family here

---

math

---

friends

---

Everything

---

math,pe

---

that its a small school and we get to go places like the pool

---

I enjoy the teachers and the classes in beaverlodge elementery school

---

pe

---

I enjoy the fun try trapper days that we all get to do together as a school

---



---

I enjoy Beverloge Elementry School because I have all my friends.

---

I have friends that I don't get to see at home.

---

I enjoy attending because I now a lot of peaple and I have peaple I can cont on.

---

The gym

---

I enjoy the acvtiveties and the teachers

---

I like how the teachers are always so nice.And how we learn a lot.

---

Everybody is nice

---

The teachers and the subjects that we do.

---

I like my class and the way the school dous work .

---

The thing i enjoy the most is the big parks.

---

I like delivering milk, and acting in fine arts

---

I enjoy the friends you can make and that all the teachers are kind.

---

I enjoy the nice teachers and some of our classes and i like how our teachers teach our subjects

---

The gym is good

---

friends some of the classes

---

Seeing friends and learning

---

I like that on Mondays,Tuesdays and Thursdays we get gym then french then finearts

---

science, math,

---

## Do you have any concerns or worries about attending Hythe Regional School for junior high?

---

No. I went to Hythe Regional School when I was in Grade 1 and 2

---

No

---

nope

---

kids bullying

---

none

---

no

---

My concern is that the work will be really hard

---

no

---

that the work will be harder

---

its gonna be a big school i dont want to get lost. and with the transfer buses i dont want there to be any confusion with that

you can be late to school from the buses and can miss sports

no not really

lots of drugs in hythe

no

not realy

far away from home

no not really i will just be the youngest in the school again

I do not have concerns about hyth school

yes i am scared to go to a new school with people i do not know

No i dont.

no i do not

1. Getting jumped
2. Being late
3. Being dress coded

yeah the hythe kids

no

nope

no

no

yes

Failing junior high.

nothing

Not really.

no

no

no

no

no

No

i am not that good at math and stuff

it being in hythe but nothing else really

My biggest concern is if there will be bullies or unkind teachers at Hythe Regoinal School

no

I do not have any concerns to attend HRS I think it will be a great school

some of my friends wont be there.

DRUGS start IN THAT AGE!

I am worried about bully's.

The marks

no

how there will be bigger kids than us.

no i don` t have any concerns or worries

Yes. Some older kids can be mean and maybe some of the work can be hard.

I dont have any worries for Hythe school .

Someone that bullys me goes there what will i do.

I have no worries

they sware alot and i dont want to here that

I have two concerns one is that there might be bullies and i might be alone there

The mrarks will worry me

new people new teachers

If its too hard and if I fail

I will feel not ok when i have to switch classes

No

## Re-alignment: BES K-7 and BRHS 8-12:

**What are the benefits of this Scenario?**

**What are the drawbacks of this Scenario?**

**IF the school district were to move forward with this scenario, what would you like them to consider?**

## Beaverlodge Regional High School

### Re-alignment: BES K-7 and BRHS 8-12:

#### What are the benefits of this Scenario?

---

The only benefit in this scenerio is that the Beaverlodge kids would stay in Beaverlodge.

---

Grade 8's would be able to have more role models.

---

Ctf would be easier for them.

---

It would give them a chance to see and play sports.

---

Would give the chance to be closer to home.

---

Could make it easier for families with siblings close in age.

---

Maturing faster. Get used to being in a high school.

---

High school teams larger, possibly more programs and attendance in programs.

---

Grade 8 & 9's would get more experience in options.

---

Closer for parents to attend/pick-up students.

---

More interactions/learning from older peers.

---

Players in Hythe would get more play time.

---

Fundraisers would go up.

---

The benefits are just less time on the bus but other than that nothing else.

---

---

Grade 8's see options for future education.

---

Grade 8's can now try and see how Gtrade 10-12's try and they can use them as role models.

---

#### What are the drawbacks of this Scenario?

---

It would cause anxiety to grade 8 and 9 students moving to the high school.

---

Hythe would not be able to have dances, sports teams and extra curricular activities which would give students nothing to look forward to.

---

Less option classes.

---

8's and 9's would have to do semesters which is a big change.

---

Bus Drivers would lose jobs.

---

---

The age difference: grades 8-12 is a wide age gap and there would be a large maturity difference.

---

The grade sevens will be split from the 8's and 9's so when they do come to high school the grade 7's will be more immature.

---

There is no room in the high school and elementary schools.

---

They would need to hire more teachers because there would be too many students.

---

This would take away the sports teams from both schools because there isn't enough students. This would also divide relationships between grades.

---

Kids could possibly abuse their new freedom/privileges.

---

Fuller hallway's.

---

Exposing younger students to unhealthy habits.

---

Kids could be intimidated/overwhelmed with coming to high school.

---

Maturity difference.

---

Lack of diversity.

---

Full school / not enough classroom space.

---

More constricting rules - school schedules.

---

No bathroom space.

---

Not enough teachers. Class times/scheduling.

---

Mixed options = kids wrecking things.

---

Extracurriculars minimized. Damaging sports teams.

---

Can't be a kid for as long / space in the high school.

---

Size of gym for grade 7's.

---

Teams would be unfair in experience (Beaverlodge in the high school).

---

Diversity would change.

---

Wouldn't really want grade 8's to come.

---

Every other school other than Hythe will be way more packed. Hythe will have not as many students.

---

Grade 8's are super hyper and immature.

---

Rules need to change.

---

Restrictions and mental health need to change.

---

Grade 8's need a different idea about the lunch.

---

**IF the school district were to move forward with this scenario, what would you like them to consider?**

---

They would need portables because there is no way the schools would function with everyone crammed in classrooms.

---

They would need a lot of funding to make both students and staff comfortable.

---

They would be causing a social divide between 7's, 8's and 9's as everyone would just hangout with the same people.

---

Don't do it.

---

If this would happen rules would have to be more strict.

---

Kid's mental health.

---

Lack of space.

---

Big adjustment for younger kids.

---

Low income households.

---

Bullying younger kids.

---

No diversity.

---

Lack of resources.

---

Maturity level for both places.

---

Social dynamics will change.

---

Class / teachers would change.

---

How many teachers/class would be needed.

---

That most high school students don't want junior high students in their school.

---

There would be alot more bullying in the school if they decided to bring them to the high school.

---

**Re-alignment: BES K-8 and BRHS 9-12:**

**What are the benefits of this scenario?**

---

9-12 would function better than 8-12.

---

Kids would be in Beaverlodge.

---

With Grade 9's they get a chance to understand how high schools work.

---

With more students they would be able to have more funding.

---

---

Grade 9's will mature faster.

---

More funding.

---

High school teams improve (wouldn't worry about unfair benefits).

---

Parents who wouldn't want Hythe or St. Mary's would benefit.

---

Benefit learning / maturity level for grade 9's.

---

Grade 9's would get more freedom

---

The benefits are less time on the bus for Beaverlodge students.

---

Grade 9's can see all the options they have for high school.

---

More options for sports teams.

---

### **What are the drawbacks of this scenario?**

---

Teachers at BES would have huge classes that would be hard to control.

---

Fine arts would have to be removed to make room for extra classes.

---

The 7's and 8's would have their teachers move classes but when they move to BRHS they would become overwhelmed.

---

No sports teams at BES or HRS.

---

There would be a divide in relationships between Hythe and Beaverlodge students by the time they go to high school.

---

K-8 is such a big divide because the 7 & 8 kids would be less mature as they would be surrounded by young kids.

---

The BES would be crowded and there is no space for portables.

---

K-8 kids might not have gym everyday because there would be too many classes, the gym would also be extremely crowded.

---

They would have to split BES assemblies as there would be no space in the gym.

---

Elementary school would be much fuller than now.

---

Grade 8's are at a weird age where their to young for grade 12's and to old for elementary's grade.

---

BES crowded.

---

Lack of maturity.

---

K-8 kids will experience the most drawbacks.

---

Grade 7/8's won't adjust to class transitions.

---

Extremely full classes.

---

Bathroom space.

---

Lack of resources.

---

Maturity issues.
Space / Gym
Would not benefit elementary.
Get stuff in elementary.
Freedoms for BES would be limited.
More teachers at BES.
Hythe and Beaverlodge students won't have the chance to meet each other until grade 10.
Would lose funding.
Younger kids would be pressured into smoking, vaping and drinking.
They are immature. They may get overwhelmed and we may have to bend the rules on lunch and on who is allowed to leave.

**IF the school district were to move forward with this scenario, what would you like them to consider?**

There would be a huge age difference at BES.
There would need to be more funding.
Teachers would be stuck with big classes.
Don't do it.
Students would be challenged with being surrounded by younger students.
If this were to happen, to see if there was any space to place a new park.
Look toward's more out of school activities for students.
Crowded elementary school.
Mixing younger and older kids could be bad.
Age differences.
No classroom space in either school.
Hythe would lose funding.
Prioritize student's mental health.
Attends in St. Mary's.
Friendships/changes in social groups.
Transportation of older siblings.



---

More foot traffic (accidents possibly).

---

What teachers would move schools?

---

That kids won't have the chance to meet each other. And the influence that will be on the younger kids.

---

9-12 opinions on where they would want to go for education.

---

## **No Change to School Configuration - Leave it as is**

### **What are the benefits of this scenario?**

---

Less stress on teachers as the class sizes would not be full.

---

Beaverlodge and Hythe students would be intermingled and form bonds before high school.

---

There could be more option classes for students to take.

---

Hythe could have enough students for sports teams.

---

There would be no crowded school in this scenerio.

---

Teachers wouldn't be hired or fired.

---

The maturity levels in all three schools would be stable.

---

These Jr. high students would have more freedom than in elementary school.

---

More community involvement with more kids at Hythe school.

---

Less stress on school board if everything stayed the same.

---

Funding for cultural programs would continue (free).

---

Hythe funding would stay the same.

---

Less crowded classes. Less kids to control.

---

Beaverlodge / Hythe students get to be together. Class transitions would be easier.

---

Wouldn't have to hire / layoff teachers.

---

Continue maturing at a normal rate.

---

High school students maintain freedoms.

---

It works.

---

Time to get stuff before you go home.

---

More movement in Hythe (easy transfer).

---

Like the graduations (small achievements).

---

---

We wouldn't have to find the money to buy stuff (desks).

---

Easier.

---

The Beaverlodge and Hythe kids will get to know each other better.

Everything is working and they have a good system that has been going on for years.

---

The mixture of kids causes people to know one another.

---

People will make friends in 7-9 as new people show up.

---

Children can continue and prepare for the same things and will have the advantage of an idea on who will be at said schools.

---

Kids get a chance to experience change at a smaller scale than switching right into high school. Keeping it the same gives a sense of consistency.

---

### **What are the drawbacks of this scenario?**

---

Beaverlodge parents will continue to be upset.

---

The bussing would be annoying but tolerable.

---

Hythe would still be crowded.

---

BES would have less funding due to lack of enrollment.

---

For parents it would be easier in Beaverlodge.

---

No missing a bus if we change.

---

For kids outside of Beaverlodge & Hythe felt like an outsider.

---

Kids have to ride the bus longer.

---

Less options of schooling for Beaverlodge and Hythe students.

---

More equipment costs as you have lots of unused equipment.

---

---

Kids will have to spend 40 min on the bus to school.

---

Families with sibling's close in age will have to go to separate schools for a year or two.

---

### **IF the school district were to move forward with this scenario, what would you like them to consider?**

---

It would be less stress for the school board as everything would stay the same as it has been for years.

---

Funding.

---

Parents thoughts on the matter.

---

---

Talk to the grades who will be affected.

---

That I think it works and changing stuff is just going to cause problems.

---

Making a third regional elementary / junior high to give children the option of which one they like.

---

The education and time taken from children.

---

To explain more of how classes work / how to select them.

---

## Staff Deliberative Forums

In-person, facilitated conversations with school teachers and staff were held at Beaverlodge Elementary School and Hythe Regional School on February 14 and 15, 2023. At each event, attendees discussed the benefits, drawbacks and considerations for each of the three scenarios under consideration for junior high programming.

### Events

February 14, 2023 – Beaverlodge Elementary School – *25 attendees*

February 15, 2023 – Hythe Regional School – *33 attendees*

## Scenario 1 (Re-alignment: BES K-7 and BRHS 8-12)

### What are the benefits of this Scenario?

---

Some parents want their children to be local (seems to be newer to town parents) Lots who want the change are also born and raised here.

---

Benefit both Beaverlodge Schools

---

Transition from JH to HS easier for Beaverlodge students

---

Would eliminate the need for a third school

---

Keep the younger HS students in a single wing

---

Grade 8 sports teams could get a lot of mentorship from older students

---

Stay close to home for extra curricular, easy to get home.

---

Extra curriculars a lot easier - facilities, transportation, availability

---

Junior high schools seem to be going away. Why? Good or bad reasons?

---

Kids stay

---

Community support

---

Continued rapport
using community involvement (adults)
Having safe people in community
Possible teams/extra curricular leadership programs.
Kids stay in our community
Especially Jr High, kids will have known relationships/connections
Special relationships
Utilize the community supports/services (Known with their home community)
extra curricular may have exposure
Benefit of going slow - gradual change for teachers to move to teaching Jr High age
Creative mentorship with the school, It could grow between BES and BRHS
Current mentorship program could grow beyond and after school hours.
Potential to create a special niche for just Grade 7
Benefit of having every or possibly every school on the same schedule (CSW) would create consistency for families.
Better opportunity to specialize programs/trauma informed practice = smaller class size may be able to individualize or create specific interventions for a specific population
Beaverlodge kids stay in Beaverlodge, less travel
Helps grow community
Benefit to low elementary mentorship of older students
Rapport with older students & staff would be beneficial
Less transition good for students
Sports - could have Grade 6-7 sports teams, would be beneficial to parents re: day care arrangements, mental health, keep students from getting into trouble
CTF (kitchen etc) would be beneficial
students can sleep in longer
Lots of empty Rooms
The Beaverlodge kids would get the benefits of having a JH in their school, creates Leadership, mentorship opportunities.
Convenience for parents for appointments, school events, etc
Fewer student transfers is less time on bus.

## What are the drawbacks of this Scenario?

---

Mixing younger students with older students = more risk = loss of innocence trying to gain approval from older peers.

---

Tearing communities apart

Hythe utilization drops to 43%

What about job loss? School closure at 30% utilization?

8-12 in a high school - where would they put them? Grade 8's are so immature

High school teachers not equipped to teach grade 8

Grade 8's, 9's, don't get to be leaders in a high school

Lose the ability to take Grade 9's to Europe (travel) Grade 8's are not mature enough to travel abroad.

---

Then Beaverlodge can't absorb Hythe if Hythe needs to close.

Would they create split classes? Large classes? You have to have the kids to have the FTE for single grade programming

---

Was tried in the catholic system and it didn't go well

---

Why create two schools very full and HRS low utilization. Not a balanced approach.

---

Lose transportation funding

---

It would cost financial resources to make this change. Materials, desks, library, etc. It is already set up in HRS.

---

BES is not designed for JH and they would lose specialty programs - not a necessary expense.

---

Loss of specialty programs (HRS & BES) sports would suffer.

---

K&E wouldn't be a standalone class.

---

Lunch program would diminish possibly?

---

Not kitchen at BES to provide lunch to students

---

Gym time & the gym itself is smaller

---

It would be difficult to separate JH & elementary in BES

---

How could BRHS manage the campus for JH students? It would be difficult

---

Would be a big change to all schools

---

Equipment & outside equipment in BES is not sufficient.

---

BES lacks space for outdoor activities. The footprint of the BES property is very small and not a lot of room to expand.

---

It would create much more division between the communities, loss of friendships in JH. JH is a great age to make friends. Other JH's students transitioning into BRHS may have a more difficult time transitioning.

---

Grade 8 or 9 in a high school takes away opportunity for 8/9 being kids.

---

Open campus gives too much freedom of choice

---

HRS Gr 9 transition will be much more difficult

---

More potential community requests for all grade 9's to attend such as Elmhurst, Wembley

---

JH means less specialty teachers & job assignments may help teachers choose to work here over a closer assignment

---

---

My set back the progress we have made in Truth & Reconciliation Considerations

---

If chosen, give Hythe community back its original attendance boundaries that were changed to benefit Beaverlodge years ago.

---

Jr high 7,8,9 should be together.

---

Beaverlodge would be drawing students from feeder schools, take student population from feeder schools, make the jr high feeder programs unfeasible.

Would probably happen in Hythe right away

---

Hythe Jr High kids would be transported to Beaverlodge so that they can be with the Beaverlodge students and a larger group. Parents would have to drive them.

---

Friendships established already so will want to go with their friends (that are now in Beaverlodge)

---

Lower enrollment would cause split classes

---

Teachers would have to teach subjects that they are not familiar with. This could result in a loss of teachers.

---

Lose support staff because enrollment drop

---

Don't think Grade 7 & 8 should be with grade 6

---

Grade 9's should not be with the high school (not mature enough)

---

Tough for Grade 9's to make the sports teams

---

Beaverlodge could not have a Jr high sports then because of the split schools

---

Smaller enrollment numbers in Junior High in Hythe will not be able to field sports teams due to lower numbers. (Detrimental to Hythe students)

---

More competition for all the schools in Beaverlodge to use the town facilities

---

Beaverlodge schools no closed campus. More opportunity for kids to get into trouble.

---

Students have less time to learn subjects under semester system because there are long blocks of time in between subjects.

---

Will result in segregation of Horse Lake kids because there are more kids here in Junior high. Feels like only "non Horse Lake students" are desired.

---

Racism (anti indigenous) is a large concern for parents across all 3 communities

---

Upsetting the existing balance of Horse lake and non Horse Lake kids.

---

Concern about school closure or losing jobs

---

Losing 8 & 9's to another school- instead of being leaders in Hythe, they become the youngest in a high school which is a blow to confidence.

---

Would lose Europe trip because you need a minimum # of students to go.

---

Grade 8's are not mature enough for high school

---

Regional schools create diverse, productive, supportive communities. Breaking that up would fracture the communities

---

---

Would need to have split classes in Junior High - would affect the FTE formula. May not have enough students for teachers.

---

Would lose the transportation grant

---

continued fracturing of communities

---

the most vulnerable kids will be most impacted eg: Horse lake kids won't have funding, supports etc.

---

High School is a big jump from elementary to High school (Grade 7 & 8)

---

Junior high is a great experience for a lot of students & students are better prepared for the jump to High School

---

How do we provide the Junior High experience to the Grade 7's

---

Less people to draw on - no multi-level sports teams

---

When students go to the Junior High, they're ready for new friendships, new experiences and new teachers.

---

How do you set up high school to include 8-9, different hallways?

---

Less access to gym

---

How do we build a feeling of Junior High

---

Possible loss of CSW

---

Availability of the gym

---

Classroom space/flex will be decreased with more students in the school.

---

Grade 8 may be too young for the High School

---

Could impact extra-curricular? Might be positive or negative.

---

Grade 7 in elementary may feel like they are treated like elementary rather than Junior High

---

Potentially bottlenecks in bathrooms & washrooms? Numbers wise might not be an issue but size wise?

---

CSW - mixed feelings about their going away.

---

Harder to program; odd number. Prefer K-8, 9-12

---

School doesn't have enough bathrooms

---

Grade 8 is too young to go to high school

---

Lose CSW

---

## Scenario 2 (Re-alignment: BES K-8 and BRHS 9-12)

### What are the benefits of this scenario?

---

Convenience with regard to travel

---

Students stay in Beaverlodge

---

Students wont have to travel on the highway
No CSW (from parents perspective)
Grande 8 with younger students, not High School
It would make inclusive education planning easier
Momentum
Teams
Jr High School
Eliminating the bus ride
Preference to have Grade 8's remain at BES
Students would feel that it is a "Jr High"
More Junior High options
access to ammenities, walking distance
Less time on the bus, physical well being and negative things kids learn on the bus
Access to arts, sports, like the pool, arena, curling rink, fitness gym
kids could go right after school to community recreation activities
Research - less transitions, more involvement in their community has overall positive results in their academics and citizenship
Reduce conflict in a bus lane/less calls to Bob.
Shorter assignable time
Creative scheduling for prep time and interesting class dynamics
speculate to increase student population
We get to keep BES @ BES, we have enough room
Sports programming here at BES
Grade 9-12 good time to separate, time for families, kids closer to home.
Keep Beaverlodge kids in Beaverlodge
Sport programs
Keep driving students away from BES
Family & day care arrangement
Less transitions is good
Positives to shorter school day for parents



## What are the drawbacks of this scenario?

---

Bus Drivers lose routes, bus grants lost

loss of programming, sports

Gym and other special classes will be overbooked so maybe can't do daily

loss of CSW

Improve buildings and cost - This

immaturity of students

---

Lose the specialty teacher (Junior high minded /subject specific)

Population decreased at Hythe would require teachers to teach more subjects.

Recruitment to Hythe would become more difficult

Staff morale would be impacted negatively

Decrease in the population may promote more movement to Valhalla.

This would make us go backwards in T&R, all the gains we have made would be diminished.

Every student in this area (PWPSD) ride the bus for 3 years, should Beaverlodge be exempt.

---

Where are the kids going when we only have 3 bathrooms?

---

JK With Grade 8 in the same bathroom?

---

Not enough gym time - facility not big enough

---

will JK be removed?

---

Programming/staff (specialized)

---

Where would specialized classes go?

---

Split classes?

---

Don't want to lose CSW days

---

Will it be hard to create culture (positive)?

---

instructional space is limited with move

---

Accessing hallways - noisier learning environment

---

Fewer students in Hythe = less choice/options

---

Would need new library books

---

Lost CSW staff

---

space in the library

---

As a parent to athletes for families - CSW can also be a challenge for families & child care

---

Bathroom space

---

Not enough space & books in library (BES)

---

Lose CSW

---

Negatives to shorter school day for parents

---

## Scenario 3: Leave school configuration as is

### What are the benefits of this scenario?

---

specialized trained teachers

Social environment

Various sports teams (Different levels of teams, mens vs womens level of teams)

Diversity of student population, students can learn from others

---

The CTS courses offered, the opportunities for sports, friendships, cohesive communities, use of community amenities, specialized teachers and opportunities to use these.

---

Win Win situation; Have quality programming, speciality teachers, sports, transportation grants.

---

More opportunities to socialize - mingle and make new friends had they not been at a regional school

---

Closed campus - Grande 9's benefit

Adding diversity from so many communities. If we separate them, we'll lose our cultural diversity

Kids having difficulty in ? Get to Jr high get new friends, a fresh start which means all the difference in their behavior.

Brand new start in Grade 7 for all students

allows us to have special programming

---

We can continue to offer specialized language

multiple options, work out room, specialty spaces

11 options

specialized subject area

Relationship building before high school

more students provide more social groups

Rich indigenous experiences

Students with behavioral challenges get a fresh start

teachers with a Junior high mindset

More junior high teachers to collaborate

Configure classrooms to accommodate student/peer relationships

Vulnerable Jr High population, great to have them together not in

Spaces were created with a larger population in mind

Supports such as EA's have specialized talent, larger population supports this

A big population for HLFN, Kelly Lake to blend with

14 year olds playing with kids

more students/more efficiencies

large population provide opportunities such as K&E, work experience (snack shack)

---

Diversity

Closed campus

Social aspects

---

---

Brings parents together

Children growing up with stereotypes disappear when all the communities are together.

Coming together of communities

Grade 9's don't have to learn semester system, can't learn the info as fast. They get a whole year.

Population staying together, Mental health resources not enough as is

Segregation of Horse Lake would cause more segregation - benefit to keep all of the Junior High's together.

under Lying issue - marginalization will lead to oppression if some JH kids go to Beaverlodge and the Horse Lake JH stay in Hythe

Coming together in a school - a lot of divisiveness is not evident. Breaks down them and us - all belong to this school, outside of school, they may not speak or play together.

---

We have a great lunch program, Breakfast snacks for all kids. No cost to kids

---

JH programs stay the same

---

Teach their speciality

---

K&E, Cooking in Cree, Sports teams & extra cirricular teams, travel clubs,

---

Larger numbers allow for more numbers. Larger peer groups, more friend opportunities, impactful for all especially if they don't fit in

---

It is a great facility, gym, space equipment, washrooms, furniture, library and PE Equipment

---

Cultural diversity for all kids

---

This is financially responsible

---

This is a better education with more options with Bilingual classes

---

More second languages (French, Cree)

---

Better connections, experiences a new community

---

Closer to high school model, they are treated like JH not big elementary kids . It prepares them for High school

---

We are a closed campus to help with making better choices

---

They are really 2 schools here. An elementary and a regional JH. The transition is very positive for Grade 6

---

It is a fresh start for elementary students. It is brand new for the students. A real fresh start for kids. HRS has so much equipment for all the students.

---

Staff at HRS would stay the same and we are a family.

---

11 junior high options with specialty classrooms & larger gym, workout room (weight), K&E; life skills

---

Extra cirricular - sports, dances, comp. club

---

More cliques to fit in

---

Cultural awareness

---

Staff connectivity & 12 JH staff resulting in increased collaboration

---

Albe to connect students to like minded teachers resulting in fewer student/teacher conflict.

---

Do specialize in JH programming & space within the school.

---

Helps the JH to be junior High and grow up together
More students = more staff= better connections
Free hot Lunch program
Combining everyone (the communities)
It is working
We have a newer building that needs to be used. Doesn't make sense to move to the older building
No change (Change is difficult)
Won't lose the bus grant revenue
Coming to Beaverlodge & Hythe. There are benefits for kids in each community in JR High years. Meet friends and cultural diversity
K&E offered here - benefits of larger student group
Specialized teachers, variety of teachers can offer more out of school presentations, dance, sports team, track, badminton
Earlier transition to high school with peer group. Have already formed relationships in Junior high
Need socialization in junior high get that now
Fresh starts for Elementary students moving to Jr High , all new teachers and ? Own part of school
Good for staff to see elementary kids moving to Jr High
Closed campus, community matches out for students
Skating is easily accessible in Hythe. No competition from other schools, same for the spray park
Access to senior centres
Developing community minded children, empathy for others.
Hythe Regional school is under 1 building but we see that as 2 different schools (Jr High & Elementary) Beaverlodge people see Hythe as 1-9
The drop in enrolment could be because population is declining or because of issues with the existing school. Hythe is not responsible for decline in population or moving to Catholic
Less bussing & switching schools is better for student health and sleep and learning. Fewer transfers
When you have more kids coming from a wide variety of locations mixes the kids up and disrupts unhealthy patterns.
Kids need the benefit of being with other kids
there are a lot of students which helps with behavioral issues
gives kids a fresh start
Hythe infrastructure is designed with 2 schools under one roof = junior high is separate from elementary

---

Having high numbers of junior high students allows us to have more specialized programming (sports, cooking, Cree etc) because its is tied to \$\$

---

if those students leave, it means less money & less programming

---

If we split up the students, there would be less funding for all students

---

Beaverlodge High school is an open campus - Benefit of here is that it is a closed campus which increases student safety

---

There are a lot of mental health resources for all the children at the current school. Already not enough.

---

Having the Grade 7 & \*'s as leaders in the school community is really amazing

---

Socializaation is limited to educational progress & better students outcomes

---

More options for students

---

Student diversity

---

New Fresh start

---

Lots of opportunity to mingle with and make new friends

---

Coming together of communites

---

The regional school becomes a place where the divisions that happen outside in the community disappear.

---

Breaks down concept of them vs. us.

---

Breaks down stereotypes & creates community connections especially in Junior High.

---

It's easy, decreases conflict, people are comfortable

---

Less ripples in the community

---

Status quo - Always been this way

---

Continue to have lots of room to grow in Beaverlodge

---

Lots of funding and options at HRS - Larger numbers.

---

No extra work

---

People aren't angry

---

HRS is a fresh start, get to make new friends

---

Fresh start for students transition to Hythe

---

## What are the drawbacks of this scenario?

---

That this might happen a fourth time.

---

Switching schools is better - spending less time on the bus.

Majority of all kids are being bussed

many kids are riding the bus for long periods of time

---

---

Lose these programs: LLD, sports programs, Monday cultural connections  
no teachers to coach, will impact coaches  
specialized math and LA teachers

---

Time on the bus

---

Bussing is a drawback. It is a long day. But long bus routes are everywhere.

---

Continued myths & racial accusations

---

It stays the same = Do not reengage in this process again.

---

Bussing issue - extra amount of time on the bus.

---

Lower BES student numbers - job security

---

Losing a prominent # of families - friends are following each other.

---

Tough to cater to student needs with the business decision to make

---

Worried the issue will continue to come up

---

Sports in Hythe - not participating because of travel. Sports help with lots, especially working families that can't pick up kids after school. Keep them off the streets.

---

Parents uprising for not being heard

---

Continued declining enrollment

---

More high needs students who cannot enroll elsewhere

---

Student populataion is predicted to decline

---

Assumption that the longevity of public education could be impacted, potential of GPCSD attendance area.

---

Feeling or loss of trust/? With the board from Beaverlodge residents and a feeling of being heard.

---

Declining student numbers = staff declines at school = less opportunities @ BES

---

It is not optimal when I have to pick up my child if they have an appointment or are sick.

---

Declining student population, reduces number of staff positions

---

Less opportunities for students

---

too long on the bus is bad for students well being & mental health

---

Driving and picking up students in Hythe is a problem for parents

---

Time

---

Not enough staff supports (specialists/caretakers)

---

**Is there anything else that you would like us to consider as we create a plan for junior high programming in Beaverlodge and Hythe?**

New school?
Programming support (options available?) All schools (HRS too!)
Where does the money come from for these extra kids?
Do the Grade 6 students only look forward to JH because that's how it is? Would Grade 7 or 8 students look forward to HS if that's how it's set up?
Does the school layout play a role? Would the Junior High students get a wing?
New furniture, locker rooms, cafeteria, bigger staff room
No in house hot lunch options - no kitchen
HRS numbers would go down and they have all the space.
Decline in enrollment needs to be addressed
HRS hasn't expressed the loss in BES numbers yet.
What is the plan to replace BES?
This would be an easy decision if we were getting a new school built.
Portals utilization - Can they be moved to increase or decrease utilization in Beaverlodge & Hythe?
Spaces, bathrooms (creating)
How does the time schedule actually work?
CSW's matter to my quality of life and mental health.
Space
Special programming
What will we do to best serve our students if we stay the same?
What will the board do to stop us "bleeding" students?
Potentially look at calendars, bell scheduling
Consider providing similar level of programming at HRS to address or attach interventions & unique needs.
If there were fewer transition in bussing (No transition to JH to Hythe) would everyone get on the bus later &/or home earlier?
Would the number of students lost per year be more or less than the transportation grants each year?
Need a plan or goal moving forward to address what Beaverlodge can do to maintain the public education system because staff feel families will continue to choose GPCSD & leave us
Could BES keep their CSW days? Would need to look at future renovations & FTE.
Is a shorter day positive or negative? Could this impact staff with a shorter day, staff training (Admin assistants, etc)
Is the transportation grant - will this be a big impact on student well being in the long run? Too long on a bus may not be beneficial for well being.

Time matters to me and my family. Will this keep coming up if this doesn't change? (JH in BL)
Require renovations to BES
Larger toilets etc for older students
Furniture for older students
Training for staff with older students
Is loss of job in transportation grant a factor to consider in students well being (mental health)
If things remain the same, this issue will come up again.
Why was the current arrangement set up the way it is ?
Make sure Beaverlodge understands they will not get a new school.
Will there be an appeal or if this is brought up in the future?
Will students be grandfathered into school?
Kids at risk
Consider the kids! Especially students that struggle and need extra programming!
Our most vulnerable kids are going to be the most impacted.
Look at already declining population. Catholics demanded that all the family attend. We are not responsible for the decline in population. Hythe is feeling responsible for decline.
What about jobs?
Regarding the survey - bias, almost nothing on the survey to keeping the children in Hythe. I expected the survey to be written in a positive way. It was more directed at Beaverlodge and not promoting Hythe. Really misrepresented what will happen if the students move. Ripple effect - needs to take all Peace Wapiti students including most vulnerable.
What is best for all students?
Funding - What is best?
What about the other schools (Wembley, Elmsworth) Could a change mean other Grade 9's going to HS>
Make this decision for a long time.
Truth and Reconciliation - This feels like segregation. Cultural understanding has been growing and this would be lost. Racism could be more of a problem.
Board/division should take if decision is to leave this as is? Find ways (complete an audit) to determine why BES is in decline
Horse Lake parents feel segregated because Beaverlodge people want to be separate from Hythe school. The students were asked and said they want to do and they considered the student survey done last May or June.
Consider the stress this puts on communities, staff and friends. Also affects the students - negative impact hearing what parents and community are saying
My friends work here, don't want them to move away to Beaverlodge. The detriment to Hythe students. This would also be a detriment to Beaverlodge students



---

Dropping Hythe utilization rate to 43% could result in school closure. Schools at similar utilization rates doesn't make sense

---

Would put a strain on Beaverlodge school space.

---

The scenario description doesn't include utilization rates dropping for Hythe.

---

Consider what the impacts are on Hythe teachers/EA

---

Where will the remaining kids do if this school shuts down? BES won't have capacity for all the kids.

---

Consider the impact beyond the school community. This affects the cohesiveness, connection and reconciliation of all the communities that feed into this school.

---

## What are your hopes & expectations for this conversation?

---

Reassurance re: academic, cultural, not political

Decisions are not on the convenience

Decision in the best interest of All students

See parents of both communities as united

to Heal the divisiveness

Promote the transition as positive, additional promotion of each school

---

That Beaverlodge grows up and leaves well enough alone

It has been a long ongoing conversation. I would like it laid to rest. A long term solution

It brings up a lot of tension, conflict

Felt like it was decided when the school was modernized in 2009. that was the decision to affirm this. Last time delays cost the modernization and the school wasn't as nice.

That the misconceptions are cleared up Real information. Survey is not accurate. A lot of emotion (Strong ones)

---

Want the tension to go

---

Beaverlodge and Hythe to compliment each other.

---

Changes will create more conflict & division between the communities.

---

No Win Win here

---

Some scenarios have a lot to lose.

---

Programming to stay the same in JH

---

Why fix something that isn't broken?

---

Junior High is difficult and unique.

---

Decision made based on academics & culture, in all the students best interest, not based on convenience

---

Maintain the most culture that all of these kids are OUR children

---

Results in collaboration between farms, rural kids etc. Promoting both school communities

---

Mitigate the trickle of negativity from the home that is coming into school.

---

Promote school council collaboration
That the misinformation will be called out. Promote the benefits in both communities, creating positivity messaging amongst the school communities
That the board will values in "keeping things as they are" outweighs the bus ride.
Find a way to promote both communities that supports student learning without damaging relationships
AS it is - every student has 3 years of bussing. Allows efficiencies in programming. Jr high from Beaverlodge is their three years.
Do what is best for all kids.
I feel that Hythe is so small. I am worried about our kids & that Hythe kids are considered.
Fiscally responsible decision
Hope to keep things as they are.
Keep the same student numbers to continue programs that are in place
Hope for this conversation to stop (last time)
Survey was biased towards Beaverlodge, Hythe will not stay the same if changes are made
Priority should be for all the students, what's best for them
Has a ripple effect on all Peace Wapiti students, need to consider everyone.
Programming @ Hythe is important for Horse Lake students. This will negatively impact them.
Hope trustees recognize that facts and emotion are both playing out in this conversation. Both are important
This is about the students, How do we ensure students get the best education, environment etc.
Want what's best for students, both current and future ones.
Recognition that there is history and that mistrust and hurt exist
Hope that this conversation helps repair some of that (see above)
Concern about jobs and how they might be impacted
Stay alive
Doesn't cause too much more friction "many said this"
Everyone can approach it with an open heart and mind
Many people remember what happened 20 years ago - many broken relationships
Lots of propaganda from both sides - pamphlets from both school councils in the mail
As teachers, we are caught in the middle
This process feels more structured and positive than the last time
Everyone's getting the chance to voice their opinion - liked the online survey'
Expect transparency - Feels it has been

Hoping to avoid the feeling of there being winners and losers
Landing on what's best for the students - when that happens everyone wins.
Think of the two communities as on big community
Listened to
Keep kids in the community, Specifically BES
want to compete with GPCSD
Want more students to avoid split grades due to declining enrollment especially in the older grades (Div 2) which results in job stability (lost about 1 class from K-3 each) for certified & non certified staff, less students = less staff and if we compete with GPCSD, we will get more students in all grades.
Put some of the past in the past, consider current data, trends. 20 years ago was an either/or. Now it can be both and should be.
Infrastructure allows room for this
Make a decision that is best for the kids and keep politics out of it.
Want to keep our students in the public system. With numbers decreasing, the upper elementary, multiple teachers teach the same class (groups of kids)
Lost extra support groups eg. No more math pull out
Consistency is better for students (1 home room teacher)
Keep my job (EA) numbers decreasing with the literacy support
Clarify numbers in each grade between us (BES & St Mary's) over the the years
Hope to put emotion in the past and focus on whats best for kids
Twenty years later = hope this conversation is opportunity to review choices so its not just another either/or conversation dialogue.
Hope to get K-8 here, lots of positives , people agree, it makes sense to me as a parent who didn't drive. It makes sense to me.
Raised kids on east side of BL. Time and convenience matter. Long day on bus. Best transition was huge for them.
Kids loved all schools
Sports after school was a challenge waiting for bus to be heading to GP or other areas
Having support after school helped me.
That everyone's voice is heard what is best for students, students mental health is what is most important.
Decreased hours at school due to smaller school at BES.
Data shows that people are looking for community schooling. Catholic school is a good example
Could 2 sports programs (BL & Hythe) create more opportunities to participate?
Hope K-8 here at BES

---

Convenience & time matters, bus transition is huge

---

Now difficult attending sports activities in GP

---

Picking up kids in Hythe is difficult

---

Hope you hear everyone's voice and make the best decisions for students mental health.

---

Concern re: decline enrollment has reduced # of staff positions and hours

---

Catholic school option is attractive to parents because students stay in Beaverlodge

---

Supports K-8 in B-S & 9-12 in High School is better for sports teams

---

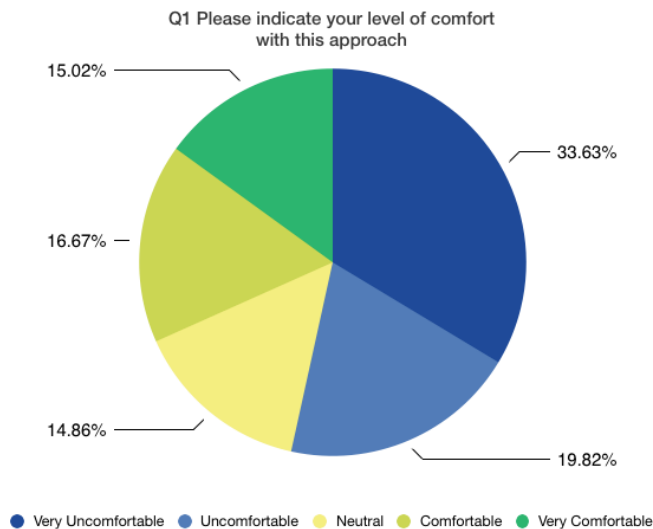
## Online Survey

An online survey was available from January 24-February 24. We shared three potential scenarios for junior high programming and asked community members to share the benefits, trade-offs and potential impacts of each scenario. Community members were also asked to share their ideas for other ways to configure junior high programming in these communities.

### Scenario 1 (Re-alignment: BES K-7 and BRHS 8-12)

**Please indicate your level of comfort with this approach.**

In the **online survey**, respondents shared their overall comfort level with this scenario for junior high programming. It is important to note that the majority of survey respondents shared that they associate most with Beaverlodge, and also that voices in any engagement process expressing inequity will always be less than a majority. As such, it is important to understand that this quantitative data provides an incomplete story without the added context of participant stories, perspectives and experiences.



## What are the benefits of this scenario?

---

Keeps majority of students off the highway and in third home community

---

Increased enrollment at BES More utilization of space at BES Students feel more sense of community Continue to grow and foster BES's mentorship/leadership programs with community members (business owners, RCMP, high school students, fitness, sports, arts programs) Easier transitions to the high school (create and foster relationships with the high school teachers) Participate in more community events Easier to utilize the facilities within the town of Beaverlodge (Arena, curling rink, swimming pool, cultural center, fitness center) Students anxiety decreases (having to transition to riding the bus, this is new for lots of students, less anxiety in regards to learning a new community, less anxiety on finding "their" person/safe person in a new community) It's harder and harder for parents to afford gas to travel to Hythe to attend events, volunteer, pick up their children. Lots of low income families in our community. Lessen mental health & wellness concerns for our students "It takes a village" - keep the students local Increased learning opportunities (access to the high school, and other community facilities) More involvement with seniors

---

I'd like to keep my kids in our community . I was educated in the same age system proposed

---

Sound use of current resources opportunities to plan for projected growth based on realistic projections

---

Keeping kids closer to home with less travel (buses) and funding staying with the Beaverlodge school. Parents that work in Grande Prairie that need to pick up their children for appointments or sick don't have as far to travel.

---

There are no benefits to ANY of the students! The only one that benefits Is BES. Why would you take from one school to make another happy. This is ridiculous!

---

BES and BRHS numbers would be up. No more extra bussing.

---

Better than being bussed out of their home town

---

---

Prefer k-8 9-12

---

I see zero benefits to this scenario

---

Taking our children off the crazy 10,000+ single laned highway 2-4x a day is the only benefit that matters. Besides that, it allows both PWPSD schools in Beaverlodge to be able to hire and implement much needed teachers and programs.

---

No bussing I suppose

---

All Peace Wapiti students are able to continue their education in their home town until high school age. Opportunity for more students to play junior high school age sports; there could be a team for Beaverlodge and Hythe.

---

Sure they will save costs but at the cost of children's mental health. No good will come from dividing these children. My junior high child thrives with his friends and would be gutted to be taken away from them. Also why is it unsafe for Beaverlodge kids to be transported to Hythe but not an issue for the Hythe kids to transported for highschool. If a child taking a bus that goes on the highway is unsafe couldn't one argue that no child is safe on a bus that uses a main highway to access secondary roads? Our any of our children safe during field trips etc?

---

Less busing

---

I'm not sure why this is even an option. Grade 8 is to young for High School. Let kids be kids.

---

Keeps the kids in their community. The highway to Hythe is much busier today then it was 20 years ago. Safety is a large concern with the winter road conditions and semi traffic.

---

Less bussing if students

---

None

---

Students remain in their home community

---

This scenario would keep children off the highway and in their community. Allowing for mentorship between all grades in the Town of Beaverlodge.

---

Not sure.

---

Keeping the kids in Beaverlodge

---

Kids would not have to travel from Beaverlodge to Hythe for school. Save money on bussing/transportation

---

I don't see any obvious benefits

---

Less driving. Kids closer

---

A chance to try this out. School culture remains the same, or similar, kids get one more year at their home schools. Programming doesn't change that much.

---

Beaverlodge Students stay in Beaverlodge

---

I do not see any benefits to this scenario.

---

Beaverlodge students will remain in Beaverlodge

---

Increasing and retaining Peace Wapit enrollment recreation of job opportunity for staffing. Cost savings and safety for bussing to hythe,

---

Increased enrollment for BES
Less bussing
HRS remains K-9
My child doesn't have to travel
Benefits to BES- detrimental to Hythe school and to the high school . Encourage improvement in curriculum at BES - don't add lower grades to the high school - it is not a good fit for the high school
None
Beaverlodge students would stay in Beaverlodge. Shorter bus rides for 7-9, shorter school days for BRHS and BES, no CSWs, 7-9 would not have to bus back and forth on highway. JR high students don't have to bus from Hythe to Beaverlodge for options. Students in Beaverlodge would create opportunity for more sports team for playing against HRS and surrounding communities.
No busing kids
Students remain in their home town, but this isn't something all Beaverlodge parents support. Reduced time for transportation.
-Less of an impact on BES. -We get to keep students 'younger' for one more year by being part of BES. - Beaverlodge Jr high students become remain part of the Beaverlodge community and are able to access the various resources here. -Jr High students don't have to spend the additional time each day bussing between communities.
Shorter commute for Beaverlodge kids
I don't think there are any benefits.
Do not like grade 8 in high school
keeps Beaverlodge kids in BL
-Beaverlodge families would have their children educated in their own community.
Stay within your community.
Student stay in their respective communities
There would be no more bussing of students and therefore kids could have more time for sleep as there wouldn't be a need for busses to be at the school for the extra time bussing to hythe would take.
The benefits would be keeping our kids in our community. Less bussing. Able to volunteer at the school.
Students remain in home community
None
I see no benefit.
Students in beaverlodge don't have to attend hythe for junior high.
Balances enrolment in bes and BRHS while keeping our kids in our community.
None
I see no benefits for this senerio grade 8&9 students are not mature enough for highschool

None
None...
Beaverlodge students remain in home community and build a sense of community
School optimization is at its peak. Grade 8 and 9 will complement each other while 10-12 complement the high school curriculum
None
Less bussing Keeping kids in town Community minded
Remains at HRS
There is no benefits.
Children living in Beaverlodge have less bus time
The only benefit is that it will keep staff employed at BES by having students stay there
NONE
Beaverlodge students remain in their own community, less unsafe bus travel, less transitioning between schools, opportunity for junior sports teams.
There are no benefits having our children come together as a larger community is better for their future as they get to meet more people and form lifelong friends my son who is bes grade 6 is looking forward to going to hythe regional and forming new friendships as his sister has done who is in grade 7 Sincerely Merlin Juneau
I can't think of one.
Beaverlodge students staying in their community which allows for family engagement.
None
K-8 9-12
There are no benefits, this discussion is brought up every 5-10 years by closed minded people from beaverlodge
I really don't see a benefit. I know I don't have kids in school anymore, but the age difference in highschool would be huge and I believe problematic.
The only benefits are increased student numbers for BES and BRHS
Kids get to remain in Beaverlodge and we will not switch them to the Catholic school
Beaverlodge Students remain in their community. Utilization of BES improves.
Nothing
-keeps our kids in our community -reduces unnecessary bussing and the potential hazards associated with it -keeps kids in a school they know and trust
none
Do not see any benefits.



---

I don't see any benefits for the kids, adding gr 8 and 9 to high school is detrimental to the kids they at that age should not be in a high school setting.

---

Grade 7 is only 1 more grade in elementary,

---

There are zero educational benefits for reconfiguring the students. It would significantly affect Hythe Regional School and it's students.

---

Children will be able to stay in their community of Beaverlodge to attend Junior High

---

Keeps Beaverlodge kids off the highway trip to Hythe. Allows them to participate more in after school activities

---

I don't understand why only the BES students would be going to BRHS for grade 9 and why wouldn't all schools than move over for grade 9 that seems to create even more issues when the other schools transfere over for grade 10

---

bad idea , go with option 2

---

Decreased bussing time and increased use of available classrooms is much more efficient.

---

Kids would stay in the community

---

I see absolutely NO benefit to this.

---

Less travel for Beaverlodge families.

---

Keeping Beverlodge students closer to their community

---

More students from can stay in their home community until gr 9.

---

Do not have to go to hythe

---

Beaverlodge kids staying in Beaverlodge

---

more children enrolled in the seperate school

---

School in beaverlodge is better

---

USING OUR SCHOOLS IN BEAVERLODGE KEEPS KIDS IN OUR COMMUNITY

---

This isn't beneficial to hythe at all

---

not much for benefits, just asking for overcrowded schools that are aging and need replacing

---

None

---

I don't see any benefits to this scenario except to increase the numbers at the high school and having grade 8 students there is too young it's a big age gap

---

Most high schools are grade 8-12

---

No bus travel for kids

---

My son stays in his current environment

---

Our son stays in his current environment

---

Beaverlodge students stay in the community .More funding as well as utilizing available space.

---

I don't see the benefits of having young grade 8's in a High School environment

---

---

It would quiet a very vocal group of parents in Beaverlodge. The other promoted benefits are not truly benefits for our children and communities.

---

Keeping our students in Beaverlodge is what is best for BES and the community. Kids deserve the opportunity to learn in their community, utilize the community supports/facilities, attend community events, gain mentorship opportunities from community members, high school students.

---

Students would remain in their community, less travel, less risk.

---

Families have all options local

---

Having all Beaverlodge students grades 7 to 12 who live in Beaverlodge attend the school which is in the community and not have to bus to another school. Better utilization of existing classroom resources in Beaverlodge. Having to bus students who don't necessarily need to be bused is a safety concern.

---

I see no benefits to this scenario.

---

Highway travel to Hythe. Keeping students in their own community.

---

I think grade 8 is stop too young to mix with highschool unless it's like hythe where they are separated a bit

---

Students would not need to be bussed from Beaverlodge to Hythe.

---

Save the cost of busing students and utilize the current facilities to the max. Students stay in Beaverlodge and complete their schooling without changing to another town.

---

Reduce travel time and safety of the kids on the highway

---

I don't see any benefit

---

Students remain in their community. Enrolment in BES increases.

---

An easy transition to junior high from sixth grade.

---

It just makes sense to have a junior within the tow of beaverlodge. I have always thought the current system was strange.

---

Less bussing for kids living in BL

---

This scenario has no positives and PWSD will loose even more students.

---

It benefits parents and not students.

---

I am from another province and this set up is very standard. K-7 and 8-12. Avoiding unnecessary bussing to Hythe is great

---

Everyone keeps talking about the K&E programming in Hythe. This scenario would allow that programming to be offered at BRHS since it is for Grade 8 & 9.

---

Less time bussing kids from beaverlodge to hythe

---

For us its saving on time travel therefore students safety

---

Safety for our children. No travel on busy highways. Utilizing space in an existing school

---

having less bussing, keeping OUR kids in OUR OWN COMMUNITY. fundraising, extracurricular, emergencies.. all easier in our own community.

---

Less bussing to Hythe Kids stay in their community
No hythe
Keeping the kids in our community.
None at all.
Keeping our kids in OUR community is always a benefit!
Working parents and single moms can go to work easier
K-9
Kids can stay local. Less travel time for rural kids. Less transferring Beaverlodge kids away from school division due to them wanting to stay local. Increased student base
Less travel time for everyone, the kids get to grow up with each other and form stronger bonds
My son (grade 3 currently) doesn't have to get transferred to hythe for multiple years - which is double the distance he already goes to and from school. Right now he has to be on the bus for 7:10 which is already early enough and doesn't get home some days until 4:20pm. It's a long day for these guys and I will transfer to another school in Beaverlodge or elmworth if he cannot go to Beaverlodge in junior high
No benefit
None
less travel
Beaverlodge students can stay in Beaverlodge and attend after school programs without worrying about bussing or pick ups.
This scenario does not benefit student experiences for jr high or high school.
The only benefit is reduced bussing for Beaverlodge 7-9 student
Beaverlodge gets to keep the kids in their own community. Let's fill our Schools.
Segregation from First Nation students
None
Keeping the Beaverlodge kids in Beaverlodge
Way less transfer time if my children get to stay in Beaverlodge. Able to keep extra curricular activities (all in Beaverlodge)
Cost and safety by keeping our Beaverlodge children in Beaverlodge
It just makes sense. I don't want my kid bussing on the single lane. Where as either way there is no high school in hythe so they are coming here anyway.
Should be K-8
Kids stay in their own community, no time spent on the highway unnecessarily, less bus time.
Not having children on the bus for so long

---

Having Beaverlodge junior high students returned to their community is the basic goal, we can always work on the configuration moving forward.

---

Enrollment increase in BES and BRHS

---

We would keep the kids in the community

---

No benefits as extra curricular activities will be neglected and schools will be over run.

---

Kids in their own community. BL schools have the space.

---

Allows room for growth.

---

None

---

brings all k-12 in Beaverlodge, higher utilization for Beaverlodge schools

---

My children not having to travel to Hythe for school and I see the appeal of smaller class sizes.

---

Beaverlodge students will have less time on a bus and will be able to stay in their home community for schooling.

---

Keeping the students in our community

---

The only benefit of this scenario is that HRS remains the same.

---

None

---

Community schooling for current BES students

---

More enrolment and money for administration etc

---

Less bus riding.

---

Keeps Beaverlodge kids in Beaverlodge

---

Room to add students in BES bldg

---

Beaverlodge students would not have to bus to hythe

---

The schools in Beaverlodge will be able to remain open, with less student loss to the catholic school and to GP

---

Not having to go to hythe

---

Children on in there community

---

HRS students coming from grade 6 no longer have to be split up and separated into 4 classes. They get to stay in smaller class sizes with their friend groups. This will cut down the bullying substantially as the kids grow up with each other from kindergarten.

---

Just money loss, and less learning

---

I'm not seeing real benefits

---

HRS remains K-9 - benefits being: more specialized programs for students, a larger population of students to draw on for friendships and sports teams. Junior high exposes students from Hythe and Beaverlodge to a new environment and different, new teachers. It also prepares them for High School in Beaverlodge by exposing students to different expectations than elementary school.

---

I don't see the benefit

---

The utilization.
More kids stay in town. Ages are close together; integration and mixture of different ages can be beneficial
I cant see any
Blodge Jr high students remain in community.
That's exactly how it was when I went to school and it was no problem at all. Then hythe can bus to high school like wembley does
GP districts tried this and determined having grade 8s with high school was a very bad idea.
Less hours of busing, keeping in their community.
None that I can think of
Beaverlodge kids get to stay within their community .
Not bussing kids Easy for local sports
Nice that students can remain in Beaverlodge, however not 8/9 being in highschool.
It doesn't benefit the kids.
There is no benefits, it needs to stay the way it is for the kids sake.
I'd like the parents of Beaverlodge to have the choice of where they send their kids. Mine would prefer to stay in our community.
I don't believe there are many benefits other than for the Beaverlodge parents that do not want their kids going to school with kids from Horse Lake and Kelly Lake for as long as possible.
Beaverlodge snobs get away with their racism and selfish tantrums
none
Is this a biased question? I am afraid that moving grades 8&9 to highschool is a dangerous decision. I wouldn't want to see any child under 15 in a school with 18&19 year olds. Let our children be children a little while longer. Let's not put them in unnecessary danger. Where are these projected almost 600 students going to appear from to enrol in BES? Is this claiming there are 600 Beaverlodge students attending HRS?
Children stay in there community
Our kids remain in our community, they don't spend unnecessary time on a bus, more time with family, familiar school, kids have become more anxious and this is just a better option.
As a parent I was educated from 8-12, grade 8-12 should never be together that is a bad mix as grade 8 & 9 do make friends with older kids and are exposed to more
This would only benefit Beaverlodge Schools funding but would negatively impact Hythe Regional in a significant way
None....junior high students (7, 8 and 9)should not be with high school students.
Beaverlodge students can attend school in Beaverlodge for K-12. No unnessesary bussing.

Beaverlodge student population would be present in their own community.
Prefer scenario 2
Needs are met for all students in both communities. Support for public education in Beaverlodge enables longevity of the public school system. Stability in programming at all 3 schools.
Prefer Scenario 2
Beaverlodge kids wouldn't have to be bussed
Not having to send my kids to hythe for grade 7-9. Bus transfers etc.
Students remain in their home community and continue to have a "sense of place" or connection with their surroundings. This is important during teen years when they are faced with many challenges especially peer pressure. Having a safe place to go and an already developed sense of respect for the community and the people in it is important.
Beaverlodge children would stay in their own community and would not need to get bussed to Hythe
Brings the Beaverlodge students to a Beaverlodge School instead of busing them up to Hythe
Staying within their community and considering the proposed realignment, would better prepare and ease the students into their ever changing world, not only in education but in life.
Less travel on the roads for children is always better. Local kids should support local schools.
To me there isn't any benefits. Why must things change? If you're so uncomfortable with your kids going to hythe why don't you send them to st Mary's.
Grade 8-12 should not be going to school together. I don't see any benefits of this situation
The only benefit would be to have an increase in the attendance percentage in Beaverlodge
No benefits
There are things that make it more convenient for parents that live in Beaverlodge.
I like that our BES students stay in Beaverlodge. BES should be K-8, with 9's going to BRHS
Less bussing of children
Less bussing of children
Less travel time for students on school buses etc. Also nice to have the kids in schools located in Beaverlodge which is our community.
Students remain in local ( home) communities. Less budding costs and time waiting/ on bus
removes the need to bus students
Beaverlodge students are given more alternatives, instead of being forced to attend HRS
No benefit
Schools better utilized, kids having less travel time, staying in community
My children don't have to bus back and forth to Hythe.

I really don't see any benefits.
None
Kids wouldn't have to go into a different town to take 3 years of schooling they can stay in one town
Beaverlodge students will be given an option to attend public school in their own community. Right now they are only offered 7-9 within the catholic system. Students will be able to participate in before and/or after school programs and sports without the worry of transportation.
Students get to remain in the community they reside.
More money for beaverlodge schools
Nothing - this will result in oversized classes at BES and deplete resources at HRS
Beaverlodge students remain in their home community
Limited driving on busy highway between BL and Hythe
Resident of Beaverlodge, our kids will remain closer to home allowing for easier scheduling.
Shorter days for Beaverlodge students for better learning alertness and reduced safety risk of road travel
The kids remaining in their own hometown encouraging a deeper sense of community
Less busing for students. Enough room in the community schools.
Junior high will be offered in Beaverlodge
Beaverlodge kids can stay in town
More room in hythe school
Beaverlodge students would remain in their community, avoid busing and impact to HRS
Keeps Beaverlodge at children in their community. And relieves busing time for students across the board in the area.
Eliminates the need for bussing student to and from Hythe
Nothing
Beaverlodge doesn't whine about bussing their kids 13 minutes to Hythe, and beaverlodge doesn't whine about their children having to attend school with Hythe and surrounding community children
For the students, teachers and families, I fail to see the benefits.
Beaverlodge students stay in Beaverlodge
Both Beaverlodge schools' utilization increases
Enrolment numbers up
There is no benefits. Its a huge cost to implement and teachers will find jobs else where. Parents who are not happy will also pull there kids from PWSD.
Less travel for BL grade 7, children get to remain in the same school one year longer, possible larger sports program

---

- The kids do not have to ride the bus to Hythe. Even though this is NOT a huge factor for me, this is one of the main reasons we are losing students to the Catholic school board, therefore we are losing funding at our own school.

- This could help keep kids in the public school system, which in turn could increase funding. This is not a BEAVERLODGE vs. HYTHE situation at all. We need to consider the kids. With the loss of funding, how are the current kids being affected that attend BES. Grade 5 students NEED one teacher and not five. Had I known things like this before I registered my children in the public school, I would have put WAY MORE thought into sending the kids the St. Mary's for the fact that the kids would have had more stability with their teachers. Kids this age need ONE teacher. Also, with the loss of funding - how are my kids that are younger being affected? This is a main concern for me! - Some parents do not drive. Therefore we are keeping the kids in their community and they would be able to participate in afterschool sports (which is something they would not be able to do if they still had to ride the bus to Hythe)

---

More money for Beaverlodge schools

---

Grouping young developing children with older teenagers is a safety risk. 12 year olds shouldn't be comingling with kids who are at driving and partying ages. Youth groups do not mix ages like this because it is not appropriate. Gr.10-12s should not have access to potentially form relationships with Gr.8 students.

---

Less transport cost and time in busses for the children

---

None , it would be unsafe to add young kids in the mix with 18-19 year olds

---

The only benefits are for the Beaverlodge students to remain in their community. Unfortunately, you have HRS remaining the 'same', and that is not true. You do not mention the negative affects that will come about as a result of losing the Beaverlodge students. These include: reduce staffing, reduce programming for special students, reduce or eliminate extra-curricular sports, reduce or eliminate cultural events including indigenous programming, ski trips to Nitehawk, and most significantly would be the opportunity to develop new friendships and a fresh start. It is amazing how many children come to junior high in Hythe and do not exhibit the severe behaviors they were at BES. I'm not suggesting that their behaviors disappeared totally, but it is delightful to see these children develop new friends, and be taught with a fresh set of caring eyes. Sometimes, that all a child needs to feel valued.

---

None

---

Decreased bus times.

---

Having the Beaverlodge students in Grades 7-9 return to their home community is the by far the only approach moving forward. This scenario does allow more growth in the future if no funding or replacement schools are possible.

---

Keeping Kids off of that Horrible stretch of Highway.

---

The benefits to this is keeping our children in our community. Having them not travel on an extremely busy highway twice a day. Keeping them in familiar territory.

---

None

---

Grade 8 should not be in a highschool.

---

Having our students in our own community but I would rather support K to 8 and 9 to 12. That would be the best scenario

---

Any kids currently being bussed to Hythe would no longer need to take the bus. Country kids would have a shorter bus rides

---



No bussing our kids, no driving to Hythe for extra curricular, safer and more convenient for Beaverlodge families
None.
Neutral as my children attend HRS so nothing would change. I don't agree with 8-12 though.
Not bussing beaverlodge students to Hythe, increasing BES population.
Keeping children in their hometown for education.
If I was forced to acknowledge any benefits to this scenario would be the potential for smaller class sizes, and shorter transportation duration for a few students.
I dont agree with grade 8 joining high school. Integrating with peers is important but grade 8 is too young.
None
Keeping local students to Beaverlodge, in Beaverlodge. Less bus transfers and time students are on roads
Grade 7 in Beaverlodge
Kids do not have to attend school out of their community.
brhs should not have grade 8 & 9
reduced bussing, and commuting time for students
None
Kids are kept in their community similar to those in other communities. Busing is reduced on major highway. All students can access after-school activities without requiring parents ability to drive to neighboring community
I don't see any benefit. The high school is no longer a high school. I would not make Beaverlodge HS a first choice if I had an option. If I was buying a house I would look in other communities.
Kids stay in there community
Beaverlodge kids wouldn't have a 9 minute bus ride to school.
Zero benefits to changing schools. Junior high should remain as is in Hythe.
Benefits would be a more convenient solution for Beaverlodge students
Less busing for students and education in their community in which they reside. Parents having easy access to their children if needed.
Student safety Cost savings for bussing Beaverlodge students remain in beaverlodge
Beaverlodge students stay in beaverlodge
None, many kids have graduated from the school system as is. Coming from a high school student I would not feel comfortable as a 17 year old being in school with a 13 year old
It would benefit the lower amount students in the area. More students could attend here and then have better time adjusting to highschool for grades 8-12
Less travelling for kids
Some students will benefit from shorter bus times.

There are no benefits to this.
Keep beaverlodge children in beaverlodge off the bus
Junior high students are able to remain in their community.
NONE
Keeping children in their hometown for education K-12
Keeping Children in the community they reside in.
I don't see the benefit, but my children aren't of school age yet.
No bussing to Hythe in the winter
None. Hythe will end up paying the consequences for these actions. Not fair to the HRS students.
I live in beaverlodge and it would mean kids are closer and don't have to worry about bad weather or kids getting hurt out of town
Benefits to this is keeping the Beaverlodge students in Beaverlodge.
bes (k-7),BRHS 8-12 that way our children will have more options when they enter grades 8and 12 more classes for our children then hythe would be my opinion
The only approach that I am comfortable with is having the students continue to go to HRS. Any other approach would be detrimental to the education of both Beaverlodge and Hythe student, which should be the number one concern here. I absolutely do not think that Jr. High student should be going to the high school. If students stay at HRS there will be more opportunities for differentiation and enrichment. Sports teams will be more competitive and student will benefit from a more diverse school community.
Reduction in bussing costs, reduction of risks of kids being on the road in busses kids staying in community for after school sports, better utilization of building & costs (transportation and building)
Shorter buses times for Beaverlodge 7-9 students
Less bussing of students to HRS. BES would then return to prior student numbers, keeping it full.
Kids sinuous have to be biased to Hythe
No more busing kids up a dangerous highway
Beaverlodge students would stay in their community
Beaverlodge students get to stay in their community school for a longer period of time.
Less bussing, utilize community resources and facilities.
Huge amount of money saved on bussing. More learning min in the classroom not wasted travelling back and forth. Safety, not having kids needlessly on the busy highway. Better utilization of two schools. Easier transition to Sr. High for grade 9.
This could work but I think grade 7 & 8 at the elementary school makes better sense.
Kids don't have to travel to hythe.

Balanced utilization at both Beaverlodge schools. Keeping our kids in our community. Maintaining Hythe as a K-9.
children in beaverlodge could still partake easily in extracurriculars, including school sports it keeps growth in beaverlodge less transitions on the children, able to stay with same friend groups
Safety and saving money
Prefer the k-8 split. Aligns with other schools better
None
Less travel time, making it safer for students along with more energy and focus spent on school work. Right now the majority of rural kids are spending 2-4 hours on a bus per day.
Less bus time for jr. High students
No Benefits
None
My kids don't need to be bused between two communities before returning to the community for high school
HRS wouldn't be so full. Less workload for the teachers trying to do their best.
Beaverlodge students get to stay within their own community to get their education. They are not on a major single lane highway everyday that is constant with semi trucks. They could utilize their own community centers like the swimming pool and hockey arena. Enrollment would go up at both education facilities in Beaverlodge. More parents would be open to having their kids participate in after school sports, as they wont have to drive all the way to Hythe to grab their kids when their done.
Scenario 2 is my ideal outcome. This would be my 2nd option. Each community would retain their students in their community. A consistent education with a sense of continuity and knowledge based approach where teachers can foster an environment where the students needs and potential aids are identified and follow them throughout there years with the same consistent school. Access to more services in beaverlodge, easier for veaverlodfe parents to attend school events and oick students up if needed. There would be no unnecessary bussing and less safety concerns. Students could ve a part of their community and make connections in their community.
I prefer scenario 2 but this would be a second option. Benefits include keeping the majority of student in their home community, no bussing of students to another community, continuity in their education, easier for working parents to get kids to extracurricular, sense of community, less transitions
None
I am happy that the kids wouldn't have to be bused to Hythe
Beaverlodge kids wouldn't have to bus to Hythe
Less busses
It would make us town kids life's easier
I would really like this because I don't feel safe riding the bus 4-5 days a week this almost makes my bus ride 10 mins longer.
I see no benefit
No benefits

---

Keeping junior high students in Beaverlodge and not having to bus away to other schools. Keeping students unnecessarily off the highways. Not being pushed to learn Cree, which should be a choice not put on bathroom doors etc.

---

None

---

No Hythe transfer bus

---

Reduces danger of bussing to Hythe on busy roads

---

utilization increases at both Beaverlodge schools which creates opportunities for programming and more teaching staff, multiple classes.

---

There are no benefits keep it the way it is now HRS remains K-9

---

Won't let me select 1 option. I'm neutral. I grew up across the border in BC our schools went K-7 and 8-12. Only Benefits I see is having the older kids finally on their own not with the younger grades. However Hythe worked well with the layout of the school. My 3 attended 7-9 there and felt they were very separated from the elementary end they had a great experience there

---

None

---

Beaverlodge students are going to school in Beaverlodge

---

I think it would be great. This would add have a positive benefit to the community of beaverlodge

---

none.

---

This would allow utilization of all schools to be more adequate. It will also allow community participation in all student populations within their home communities.

---

Kids staying in their own community to go to school

---

It is not beneficial

---

No bus travels

---

There are no benefits as hythe is where beaverlodge and hythe students can make connections before they get to high school

---

I don't see any benefits to this scenario

---

As a resident of beaverlodge it would be more convenient having our kids closer to home and not having to travel.

---

Easier for some

---

None

---

It's better than the situation now that's why I said comfortable but still not ideal.

---

No comment

---

Less transportation

---

Less bus travel in winter. Beaverlodge kids stay in bl

---

Stay with the way it is or keep zoning equal

---

No busses on roads in dangerous conditions

---

---

Keeping Beaverlodge kids local to their families, better for younger and older students who have to walk together, better for families that might not have transportation or multiple vehicles so in the event of an emergency someone with no vehicle could not pick up their child in hythe. Much better to keep kids local.

---

Saves on busing kids to Hythe

---

I would prefer this to my children attending the hythe school, because it will keep them off the highway to hythe unnecessarily in the winter, as well as make their after school activities easier. I would however prefer them stay at the elementary longer. So prefer option 2.

---

My children are closer to home and will not be on the dangerous roads more than needed

---

No busing the beaverlodge kids to Hythe. Staying in their community for special days.

---

Students will stay within their community and be closer to their homes.

---

My child can remain in the community I chose to live and work in.

---

Hands down keeping our kids in THEIR community. What is the point of living in a small community where you can go home for lunch if you are being bussed out of your community for jr. high?????

---

More space to increase enrollment at BES. BRHS has the sports teams/CTS classrooms

---

Less travel time for the Beaverlodge students in gr. 7-9

---

The kids wouldn't have to travel so far to get to school. Older siblings can still Be there for younger ones.

---

My child wouldn't need to be on the highway from Beaverlodge to Hythe

---

This removes displacing our children from Beaverlodge to Hythe which I am not comfortable as a parent doing. I don't like that the only option for certain grades is to go to Hythe. I don't want the additional time it takes on the bus including winter travel. We live in the country and this will add an incredible amount of travel and facilitating for our children for school, sports etc. I love that my children would be able to complete all school in Beaverlodge where we have chosen them to attend in the first place.

---

Keeping classes smaller allowing for better learning.

---

Beaverlodge students get to stay in Beaverlodge. Less costs in bussing. The students no longer spend an extra hour on the bus

---

Less bussing

---

Benefits: Students remain in the community they predominantly live in/or are close to. Extracurriculars would be populated more as students are able to remain in their community for the duration of their sports/clubs.

---

Less bussing for the kids to go to Hythe school

---

No benefits

---

I really don't see any benefit

---

Families can stay in Beaverlodge. No worry on winter roads.

---

Unsure

---

There aren't.

---

Students spending less time on the bus is the only benefit I see in this scenario.

---

My kids stay in our community and won't miss out on activities due to the time spent on the bus.
None
I don't see any
The only benefit is that the grade 7s stay in Beaverlodge.
Keeps Beaverlodge children in Beaverlodge.
Keeping kids safe in town instead of busing them to Hythe. School day could start a little later in the day. Maybe not loose more kids to St Mary's for those not wanting to leave Beaverlodge.
All my children are in the same community.
Beaverlodge students remain in Beaverlodge
The kids would stay in Beaverlodge. Safety from the Highway.
Keeping Beaverlodge children off busses and utilizing facilities that are in our town, for those students local to Beaverlodge
Keep it the way it is.
No busing to Hythe
I'm in favour of leaving things the way they are, not sure why they want to change. Why would you want grades 8 and 9 in with high school children, the maturity level is not there, I wouldn't want my grade 8 girls or boys in with the high school kids.
There are no benefits
Cost savings, safety and time
I don't see any benefits. There is already a junior high in Hythe why explode the elementary in Beaverlodge. Grade 8 is too young to send to high school
Children wouldn't have to travel to neighbouring community to attend junior high
Cost savings and safety
No benefit, grade 8 students should NOT be in a highschool
I see no benefits resulting with this scenario.
Children would not be having to bus to another community. Easier access to our children for appointments
Kids would not have to travel to Hythe. More enrollment and usage of our local schools
None I believe these students should be given the opportunity to not only have growth in learning but mentally and physically as well they are not mature enough to be in a high school setting nor should they be forced to be. Let them be kids.
I don't believe their is a benefit to this. Grade 8 students are too young to be in a high-school.
Keeping Beaverlodge junior high students in Beaverlodge
Additional teachers needed

Keeping the kids off the road and close to home for any emergencies.
Keeping students in their home community, better utilization of our existing schools and reduced time, risk and money for bussing.
More funding for BES that will allow reasonable sized classes, more teachers and more support staff for the variety of children that attend. Eliminate the risk of having to bus so many kids on a busy highway.
More utilization of Beaverlodge schools that have the supporting population.
Keeping our kids in our community. Not travelling on the busy highway. Safety and community!
Benefits would be solely to Beaverlodge students
Children stay in beaverlodge junior high
Less time spent bussing
Bussing would be kept to a minimum, making it safer for the students as well as saving money for the school division.
Students stay in the same school for another year, with the same teachers/relationships. And also with the same friends. Students in beaverlodge do not need to bus on the dangerous roads to Hythe in the winter
My kids don't have to travel to Hythe.
Kids wouldn't have to bus
Kids from the area get to stay within their local areas, less buss travel
Besides keeping all students in the community, it allows to give a fairly even utilization rate for both BES and BRHS
Beaverlodge Junior High would remain in Beaverlodge where they belong. The town's population supports it!
Beaverlodge students can remain in Beaverlodge, children traveling that road to Hythe in the winter is a daily stress for parents.
I do not see any benefits to this scenario
Our kids to get to stay in their town
Adding more grades to BES is a positive.
Children in and around the Beaverlodge area don't have to bus out to Hythe for three years.
Beaverlodge gets what they want.
Save on cost of bussing maybe.
None
Less time on the busses for the rural BES students
Unnecessarily bussing students on busy highway.
7-9 not being bussed to hythe and growth in the community
Our kids will be kept in our own community

---

My kids get to stay in Beaverlodge and do not have to be bused to Hythe. Lots of my friends have enrolled their kids in the Catholic school for this very reason.

---

Beaverlodge children stay in Beaverlodge and do not have to make commute to another town.

---

No benefits to this scenario

---

None

---

No benefit

---

There are very few true benefits. Reduced bussing for a select group of students may be a benefit. But, really the district is a bussing district. A huge number of students are on busses far longer than 10 minutes.

---

---

Our students are not travelling to hythe for school when we have capacity in our own towns schools to have them

---

No benefits. Not in the best interest of students

---

None for a smaller group of students.

---

School In hometown

---

Keep BL kids in BL

---

There is not any Benefits as the schools would be too crowded and not enough classrooms for that many grades.

---

Increased enrolment of beaverlodge schools

---

None Grade 8 & 9 do not belong in a senior high setting The communities loss there ties and the ability to make life long friends Along with separating the schools lowers the student count in hythe leaving one community to suffer as they won't have the counts for certain options to be offered

---

Grade 8 at BRHS is not appropriate

---

None

---

Beaverlodge students stay in Beaverlodge instead of bussing

---

BES k-7

---

None

---

no bussing to hythe

---

I'm not sure there are benefits to this scenario

---

My children would at least still be in our home community of Beaverlodge.

---

Beaverlodge students stay in their own community.

---

Less bussing, keeping our children in the community they reside, students being able to participate in more after school extra curricular activities and community events

---

Beaverlodge students aren't having to be bussed to Hythe and they can now join sports and other afterschool activities without having a parent have to drive to Hythe to pick them up. Saves on bussing costs and the kids aren't having to be on a bus for so long.

---



No benefits
Other than the money game, I don't see any.
None
Bussing eliminated for Beaverlodge families.
Kids remaining in their community. Better utilization of resources
Save on bussing
Some Beaverlodge parents would finally get their way!
I don't feel there are many.
Future growth potential. Students attending school in the community they live. Less students in buses on the roads.
Beaverlodge students staying in their own community. Students AND parents keeping their relationships strong within the school community. After the past few years those relationships and mental health are so important to keep going! Parents not worrying about their children travelling on the hiway to and from Hythe. Children being able to participate more in extra curricular sports. If a child needs picked up for some reason the parent or guardian can get to the school much quicker.
Kids won't have to be on the bus to hythe everyday. Parents working are closer to their kids and they are able to be closer to home incase of emergencies.
Keeping Beaverlodge kids in town. Eliminate bussing. More kids would be able to attend school when the winter weather makes the roads bad
Bringing students back to Beaverlodge, reducing bus times and allowing Gr 7-8 access to local facilities
The only benefit would be keeping our kids off the highway 2 extra times a day
I want this to happen so my kids can stay in Beaverlodge
I don't see any benefits in fact I see funding as an issue and programming. I see some of the programming changing and a loss of specialized programs.
There are no benefits to this. I find it extremely disheartening that it is even being considered. The students merging together in grade 7 at HRS is optimal
More community involment with the Junior high students in Beaverlodge. Less driving on dangerous roads for students and parents.
Keeping our children in our community.
Allows less travel time for students who live in Beaverlodge, allows easier time for families who have several children to allocate time for extra curricular activities.
No bussing for Jr High
Having the older kids teach and show the younger kids. It's an amazing dynamic
BES would experience an increase in enrolment, BES students would not need to be bussed to Hythe.
No benefits

All Beaverlodge students get to stay in Beaverlodge
Keeping our Beaverlodge kids in their community
None for my family
No benefits.
Beaverlodge students could participate in community events and gain an understanding and appreciation for their home community. Twice as many students could be involved in school sports. Students would not have to travel by bus on a busy and dangerous highway. Utilization of Beaverlodge schools would increase as well as the fact that Peace Wapiti would not continue to lose students to the Catholic School Board. This continues to happen because parents want their students in their home communities. Hythe would have their own students K to 9 and Beaverlodge would have their own students K to 9 the same as Elmworth, La Glacé and other much smaller communities than Beaverlodge. Quality of Education would not change.
Beaverlodge students remain at home and not travelling on busy highway. More time for involvement in activities outside school
For Beaverlodge it would be great. The numbers being higher and not having to bus the 7-9 students to Hythe would be way nicer for children, and for budgets.
Beaverlodge kids not having to be bussed to hythe. Number of students in a grade/class in each school would be distributed better.
Keeps the kids in town, the children don't need to bus out to Hythe for the junior high grades
Less bussing for hundreds of students
Our students stay in our community and there is less risk with unnecessary bussing to another community. Additional it allows more access for students to the multiple infrastructure, recreational facilities and events. Such as hospital, pool, community events. Extracurricular is easier for parents to accommodate in the community they live in and the community many work in. This would be my second option. Scenario #2 is my ideal outcome
Students are able to complete their education in Beaverlodge. PWPSD can remain competitive in attracting and retaining student population by offering junior high in Beaverlodge.
Kids are not being bussed to Hythe on winter roads. If they live in Beaverlodge why do they go to school in a different town?
Keep Beaverlodge students in Beaverlodge. Less bussing.

## What are the drawbacks of this scenario?

Grade 8 might be too early to transition students to BRHS
None
Go K-8 at BES and 9-12 at BRHS

---

Grade 8 is too young for high school

---

Less funding for Hythe school

---

Leaving HRS at 43% utilization, Gr 8&9 in a high school setting, loss of programming, loss of specialized teachers, loss of transportation funding, LOSS of the best education possible for the students!!!!

---

Grade 8 students are to young to be at the BRHS.

---

Grade 8 might be a little on the young side

---

Prefer k-8 9-12

---

Even more, students will move to St Marys. I know my child would go there so that they remain in a jr high until grade 10, have better sports teams, better options available and friend pool.

---

There are no drawbacks to this scenario, if you look at the above scenario numbers, it shows HRS will have a higher enrollment number than Beaverlodge Elementary School does now AFTER our students come back to Beaverlodge. PWPSD needs to understand that it's not about one school/town versus another; it should be what keeps all 3 schools open and operating! Beaverlodge Elementary is losing students, teachers, funding and programs. If you don't give them back their kids, you'll lose BES and then Hythe and then BRHS. You decide! How much is the Board willing to lose? The Parents in Beaverlodge are no longer letting PWPSD decide what is best for our children; we are taking back the choice as PWPSD isn't our ONLY choice anymore!

---

You are taking away from the community of Hythe. Possible loss of jobs to some EA in hythe. You are making the division of the 2 towns even worse.

---

None

---

No good will come from dividing these children. Also why is it unsafe for Beaverlodge kids to be transported to Hythe but not an issue for the Hythe kids to transported for highschool. If a child taking a bus that goes on the highway is unsafe couldn't one argue that no child is safe on a bus that uses a main highway to access secondary roads? Are any of our children safe during field trips etc?

---

Grade 8 a little too young to be with high wchool

---

Some kids are only 12 when they enter Grade 8. 12yr olds with 18yr olds in the same school seems like a bad idea. HRS will lose numbers and result in less funding for all Jr. High aged students. Which would mean fewer educational, mental, physical and emotional supports.

---

Regardless of the decision, one school is going to see declining enrolments

---

None

---

Grade 8 is too young to be in the highschool.

---

Should bevK-9

---

Grade 8s (& 9s) should not be in a high school (not mature enough, will cause social anxiety etc)

---

Again, not sure, just do not like this plan.

---

I made a lot of new friends when the communities combined the schools. I feel combining the communities is good for the children struggling in this one

---

HRS would have less students.

---

---

First of all BES gym is too small for Jr. High sports The bathrooms are so little!

---

I'm not sure I like grade 8 I. The hs

---

BRHS has to change a lot. HRS loses kids and therefore ultimately funding.

---

Not comfortable with Grade 8s at high school. BES has room for them.

---

Grade 8 and 9's should not be placed in a high school. It is like expecting them to just take off when you've never taught them to fly. You had them in an elementary watching them in a very little kid setting and you are now expecting them to be faced with all the adult problems of high school without giving them the tools to do so. HRS gives kids the chance to gain a little bit of independence in preparation for the next step

---

Grade 8 may be a little young to join high school students.

---

A faster transition into highschool atmosphere for grade 8 students.

---

Grade 8 is too young for high school This creates too many challenges for Hythe students/ teachers/ it just shifts the problems that BES is currently facing without offering a good long term solution

---

Less programming for all

---

Sport activities for junior highs

---

Grade 8 may be too early for High School scenarios

---

This will stress the Hythe attendance and remove opportunities currently available. I support leaving the system as is -it allows choice for families regarding where they would prefer their children to attend school. This proposal removes the freedom of choice

---

Lack of space, options and facilities for grade 7 at BES Grade 8-9 and brhs.

---

None

---

No drawbacks

---

Grade 8's are too young to be with Grade 12 students. This leaves too small of a population in HRS and is unfair to the other three communities involved. Millions of TAXPAYER dollars were spent on HRS, which just opened in February of 2009. Moving these students would leave HRS less than half full. Students from all communities that currently come together would face a decrease in options and less flexibility in programming. Students from multiple communities (Hythe, Beaverlodge, HLFN, and Kelly Lake) currently develop community relationships aside from those they would experience in their own community, but still have access to those more limited experiences within their own communities. This crucial developmental experience would be lost. Students from all these communities would lose the opportunity to know and bond with one another, thus creating a smoother, less stressful transition to High School. Students currently experience constructive intercultural relationships that help to empower them to have empathy and respect for others. These crucial life skills would not be experienced.

---

-Grade 7 students might feel as though they are missing out on the 'jr high' experience. -Grade 8 students are a bit young to be at the high school, at a time when they are 'experimenting' with their 'teenagerness' for the first time. They are exposed to lots of peer pressure. -Potential loss of CSW Fridays off.

---

Less competitive school sports

---

Absolutely no benefits to HRS at all. Reducing our numbers for Jr. High would be very detrimental to our students, staff, school and community as a whole. Adding grade 8 and 9 students to a high school atmosphere would be an

---

---

unwise move, these students are not mature enough to be included in high school, not enough structure and supervision. Less opportunities for making sports teams. reduced specialized programming.

---

Grade 8 to young for high school.

---

Grade 8 too young for High school

---

-Grade 8 is too young to attend high school. Students are too immature and impressionable to be mixed in with higher grades. There is a major change in brain development in the age range that grade 8 falls in, and these children need more guidance, not independence. -It is not my preferred scenario

---

Both schools would have less students in grades 7-9 so less resources and less teachers. Beaverlodge students do not get to experience Hythe and the diversity and Indigenous education provided by Hythe and the students coming in from Horse Lake First Nation and the Kelly Lake community. Students not developmentally ready to go to BRHS will have to go.

---

Grade 8 students in a school with Grade 12 is too big of an age gap which can expose the younger students to issues much earlier than needed.

---

I don't think that grade 8's should be mixed with high school children.

---

Maybe grade 8 is young for high school.

---

Grade 8 students are too young for high school

---

Division of community Division of staff Loss of programing in all 3 schools

---

Grade 8s mixed with 12s could get messy

---

Reduced numbers in Hythe

---

Too many maturity levels in one school.

---

8&9 students are not mature enough for high-school

---

One of the best things about jr high in Hythe is introducing new people into the students live. And then doing it again in Grade 10 with St Mary's going there. Also starting high school at grade 10 is the perfect time and not mixing young and old

---

Irresponsible kids hanging out and influencing the younger crowds

---

New schools throughout Alberta are 9 to 12 and grade 8 may be too young to be around older students

---

Alienating

---

You are taking away from the Hythe School (which is updated, has a great school staff & resources & an Indigenous Program)

---

Serious risk of Hythe closing down and rural children having to be on the bus even longer

---

The students need to have the opportunity to mentally develop with peers of their own age. This is a very important time in their lives where there minds need the proper support.

---

Cost of accommodating the extra students that are not prepared for in an elementary setting is only one. There are a plethora of drawbacks.

---

Grade 8's exposed to a more mature environment too soon.

---

Programs will be decreased and costs to taxpayers will rise
Kids who aren't mature enough emotional, attending high school. Being forced to grow up too fast.
This doesn't align with most other schools which are k-8.
Kids may be introduced to drinking, drugs, cigarettes, sex and many other things at a much younger age.
Prefer K-8 9-12
students from Hythe will be behind the curve in every aspect, they will have no opportunities for organized sports at school. Added taxes in Beaverlodge, there isn't space in the schools in beaverlodge to accommodate 3 new grades
splitting up the numbers in the schools, benefits nobody
HRS would have a significant decrease in enrolment. For students, the jump to BRHS would be socially difficult for those who did not attend for Grades 8 & 9. The teen social cliques would be well formed and difficult to become part of for students from HRS.
Two great of an age spread in the high school level
None that I see
In my opinion, Grade 8 is too early to integrate students into a High School. Would the BRHS have capacity?
Grade 8 is too young to be at the high school.
Grade 8 may be a bit young for the high school.
"...fewer options...for both junior high student bodies
Normal school split is K-8, 9-12 No drawbacks for HRS
Each scenario suffers. Junior needs to stay with junior high age, keep going to their junior high that was made for them In Hythe.
Grade 8's are not ready to mix with the high school kids Reduction in students in Hythe = less options or busing to options ie band
HRS students will be at a disadvantage in terms of social interactions, specialized teacher will be unable to teach the classes they are specialized in. Both schools will be at a disadvantage in terms of programming. I find it very disheartening that this school board is willing to segregate students during a time that our country is working towards truth and reconciliation. I am extremely disappointed.
Complete reconfiguration of BRHS - school within a school.
I believe Grade 8 students are too young to be attending the BRHS, they would be better at BES
Don't see any drawbacks
having grade 8 in a high school is a bad idea , when theres room at an elementary school 2 blocks away
It is unfortunate that HRS will have a significant decrease in students
Kids too young to be in high school
BRHS should not be 8-12. Too many issues with kids as young as 13 comingling with 18 yr olds.
Less options for Jr High students

---

All students would have less socialization. Students would be with the same 30+ people from K-12 which could result in lack of social skills and anxiety. There are currently limited teachers and classrooms without substitute teachers; with this there would be even less support overall for students. Introducing grade 8s with high school may impact the youthful students and expose them earlier to risks.

---

Gr 8's are less mature than gr 9's.

---

High school starts at grade 8

---

Grade 8 seems young to be attending High School

---

i will change my education tax from public to the seperate school system ( 4000 acre farm and yes its a chunk of change)

---

No hythe

---

GRADE 8 SHOULD STAY WITH THE BES/ PERHAPS GRADE 9 AS ST. MARYS

---

Separating two communities that have been together in education for years. Putting a unnecessary division overcrowding classes, not enough teachers, Taking away from Hythe

---

You basically wreck both schools. There will be student and staff disruptions, fewer options for both schools and lack of space and programs at both.

---

HRS loses students - loses jr high numbers for sports teams and when you lose numbers you lose funding for other things options teachers etc. still think grade 8 is too young to be mixed in with high school students.

---

None

---

None

---

None

---

None

---

Great for the K-7, not so great for grade 8's in a High School environment, I'm unsure how the extra circulars activities would balance out, might be a lot of intimidation!

---

There are too many to list. The cost for realignment would be considerable and unnecessary, since HRS is already equipped for JrHigh students. HRS usage would drop astronomically which is ridiculous considering the fact that it is basically a new building fully equipped for JrHigh students. The gym is big enough for several classes to use at one time, there are two fully functional science rooms, a makerspace room, a cooking room, plus so much more. The JrHigh program s successful at HRS. To decimate it would be irresponsible on many levels. Financially, educationally and to our students and communities. Plus, this scenario puts some of our most vulnerable students in a situation to lose more of their innocence by being in a high school setting. Many high school teachers have said they don't believe having JrHigh aged students in a high school setting is wise. They are too immature to manage successfully in this type of environment. Plus, the high school does not have the space for this many more students. The 'facts' being shared are not accurate. This scenario also creates more divisiveness between the communities. There have been long-standing rivalries that were healing and showing signs of reducing. This small group of vocal parents have reignited old hurts in the name of getting a new school for Beaverlodge. They are unwilling to work together for what is best for our children and their futures and are instead focused on what would be best for them in the short term. There is no willingness shown to work together for what is best for the young people in our communities. Demands are made with no regard for what is truly best long term. For

---

---

example, losing over \$130 000 per year in bussing grants. This is a huge loss to the entire school district. Or, the amount of money lost to the district in doing upgrades in Beaverlodge which are completely unnecessary. Or, that one small group of vocal people are acting as though they represent all parents in the area. This is misleading, hurtful and damaging to the futures of our students. Especially considering the amount of false information they are sharing. Another drawback is limiting the community building and friendship building between communities. HRS fosters community connections and brings communities together. This has been done successfully for many years. This scenario will segregate communities, limit diversity and the friendships students from different areas build to help them transition to high school. Many young people find the transition to high school difficult. This scenario will exacerbate those difficulties by limiting the connections students have to take with them to a new learning environment with new stresses and pressures. This scenario is likely to negatively impact high school completion rates especially for our most vulnerable/marginalized young people. With reduced resources and funding for JrHigh students in all sites the educational quality will suffer. Specialized teachers will be few to none. EA support will be split or eliminated. Funding for K&E classes and option classes will be reduced to the point of making them unlikely in the way they are currently delivered. For this reason, more families are likely to move their students to St Mary or Grande Prairie. What would be the reason to stay? Would families willingly choose a diluted education for their children when other options are so convenient? If a school has relatively little to offer because resources and funding are being split between sites what are the incentives to draw families to have their children go there? Is a 12 minute bus ride really the issue? Does that justify damaging and possibly destroying a public system that is working well considering the dropping population in Beaverlodge? Plus, this scenario does not consider why BES is losing students. It does not facilitate BES doing any work to address the underlying problems causing families to go elsewhere. What if this scenario does not fix the problem? Then HRS will be decimated, BES will still have issues and PWPSD will lose even more students. This scenario doesn't look at any underlying reasons for BES losing students. It is based on unsubstantiated assumptions that are not proven to be true. It is costly, divisive and will potentially cause more problems for the local communities, their schools and PWPSD. Not to mention the sentiments from the Horse Lake community about scenario one and two promoting the segregation of indigenous people. In a time of Truth and Reconciliation is that truly the best path forward for Peace Wapiti? Or should we be looking at a scenarios that promote diversity, compassion, community building, working together and pooling our resources to offer the best education possible for our smaller, rural communities? If these proposed scenarios do not have the desired outcomes, has anyone considered what to do next? Is there a plan in place for what to do to rebuild all of the destruction inherent in scenario one and two? These scenarios are short-sighted and destructive. They are costly and not in the best interest of our children and their futures. They are not in the best interest of Truth and Reconciliation. They are not in the best interest of staff and their mental health. They are not in the best interest of the mental health of our students and their success. These scenarios are short sighted and destructive to all of the growth our local education system has promoted and worked so hard for over the years. They do not hold BES accountable at all for the reduced numbers they are seeing. The BES school council is not welcoming or willing to work together. They promote what they want at the exclusion of everyone else and at the exclusion of what is best for all of our children. Currently school usage at BRHS, BES and HRS are comparable and healthy. Scenario one and two artificially bump up the numbers at BRHS and BES at the extreme detriment to HRS. There is no consideration in these scenarios regarding how to support HRS. None. Basically these scenarios are flipping BES' problems onto HRS with no regard for the students, staff or communities. How is this justified? These scenarios also promote giving credence to a vocal minority. If this is established as how the PWPSD board operates, where will it end? Will public funds be used to quiet vocal groups who have questionable motives? How is this serving our students in the best possible way? How is it justified to spend so much public money to appease a small group of parents who are rallying everyone they know, in communities that aren't even involved, in a quest that has questionable efficacy? Will school board members be able to justify this and have an effective strategy to

---



---

address future vocal minorities who have political agendas, once a precedent has been set? This doesn't even take into account the racial dimension underlying the push by the BES school council. It is so disappointing to consider that in 2023 this is where we are. Scenarios one and two promote division and segregation instead of diversity and community building. This is extremely disturbing on many levels. I could go on and on about the drawbacks of scenarios one and two. So could many of the people who live in these areas. Many are unwilling to get involved in something that has become so hurtful and negative. They are happy with our current education system and don't want it to change. They also don't want to get involved in an ugly situation.

---

Grade 8 might be too early to attend High School

---

None that I can think of, this method is practiced all over Canada and makes for great programming

---

Junior high ages are split up, could be difficult in formative years

---

None that I can think of. It makes better sense to use the resources available than not.

---

Grade 8 students are too young to be attending a High School. Taking away the Beaverlodge students from the Hythe students is especially detrimental to Hythe students. They would not be left with enough students to have valuable extra curricular sports. Hythe students and Beaverlodge students both would miss out on the opportunity to make new friendships. I have personally seen the positive impacts on many students when Hythe students combine with Beaverlodge students. The benefits go both ways.

---

Not ideal to have grade 8 students in a high school.

---

Answered in 2

---

The grade 8 and 9 curriculum would have to be semesters which is not conducive to best practice for children that young. Sports teams in hythe and beaverlodge would be less competitive. Less exposure to diversity. BES is not set up to be a junior high like HRS is. Less opportunities for socialization- many kids do not find peer connections until they get to grade 7 at HRS. PWPSD would lose their transportation for the Beaverlodge to Hythe transfer route, moving teachers to other schools has a huge impact on them and their families, specialized programs would not be available to smaller school populations, to name a few.

---

None

---

Smaller class sizes mean less access to sports. Less socialization between kids from Hythe, Beaverlodge and Horselake. This will lead to a division between these groups in the future.

---

Grade 8s are young to be attending a high school. Teams would be difficult to form at a junior high level with only Grade 7s.

---

An inappropriate mix of students with 8th graders in a high school. Grande Prairie tried it and regretted it for several reasons, parents were unimpressed and remained in satisfied with that structure as well.

---

Drawbacks being that the children from grades 8-9 would be heavily influenced by 10-12 students in more negative ways than positive.

---

The high school is a relatively calm place. Too many junior high kids could really off set that balance they seem to have there.

---

It could be argued that the age gap from grade 8-12 is to large.

---

---

SO many draw backs, Gr 8 & 9 should not be at the high school. They are not ready to interact and deal with the issues that school has. There will be a significant loss in programming, funding and extra curricular activities. This scenario will cause loss of relationships and close the doors of meeting people in different social communities.

---

Less Jr. High numbers in both schools creates less opportunities and funding for both schools. Less funding means loss of Important supports for education, extra curricular and mental health. How can that benefit students? It can't and won't.

---

BES may not be large enough for the influx of GR 7 students

---

A lot of people don't like Grade 8's mixed with Grade 12's. I would probably agree with that.

---

None

---

I personally don't see drawbacks as long as K7 gets proper education and opportunities

---

Hythe school vacancy rate increases and teachers/support staff change locations

---

there are none. there is a community of people in Hythe who can put their children in the Hythe school

---

Gr 8 does not mix well with high school age

---

Overcrowding

---

K- 8 would be better.

---

High school should remain high school. Completely different mentality of the students in those grades vs junior high.

---

I so think grade 8 is young to attend high school.

---

None, kids should be able to go to school where they live

---

G8 being in the high school. Too much opportunity to get into bad things with older children.

---

None that I can see. Unless staffing is an issue

---

None that I can see

---

I don't see really any issues. Kids are going to be exposed to teens and what happens in high school regardless. It's up to parents to coach and educate our kids on differences between good and bad behaviors etc.

---

Grade 8 to young to be with grade 12

---

Grade 7 students do not need to be subjected to high school kids

---

Jobs lost at HRS Children will not get to meet other students at HRS as other neighboring communities also attend there for grades 7-9

---

Grade 8 students might feel too young to be in high school

---

BRHS students do not want gr 8 & 9 in their high school. BES Council says their students are nervous about going to a new environment of HRS but would like to put them in a new environment at BRHS with students as old as 18? This would cause more anxiety and would be a negative experience for all students involved. This would make it awkward for the Elsworth, St. Marys, Hythe, Valhalla students joining an "already established group" like the BES Council claims BES students are facing when they join HRS. The double standards are appalling.

---

---

Class sizes and classroom availability is already limited at BRHS. Adding students 8-9 student will only add to the existing constraints.

---

You are taking away the students opportunities to come together at an earlier age with their peers to create and cultivate new friendships. This decreases programming availability, extra curricular activities, specialty classes, and enrollment levels in Hythe and Beaverlodge. BES students would not ever have to leave their community, which is not a good thing, as it doesn't expose them to the real world and diversity. Grade 8 is too young to be exposed to high school and the new challenges that arise with that. BRHS would also have to make huge concessions in how their school operates to accommodate for a younger population

---

I don't believe grade 8's should be in a high school

---

None

---

Segregation from First Nations students

---

Everything

---

Grade 8 is too young for high school

---

None

---

There are no drawbacks to keeping our children in Beaverlodge

---

---

Some parents may not like it. I don't see an issue adding grade 8 to brhs

---

Grade 8 to young

---

Grade 8 is a bit young to be immersed in high school

---

Children in grade 8 are not ready for the things that happen in senior high

---

The only decision to consider is whether it should be K-7/8-12 or K-8/9-12, regardless the junior high students will be returned to Beaverlodge where they deserve to be.

---

Too young of students with High school students.

---

To young to be involved in high school

---

Junior high age students are not mature enough emotionally to be intermingled with Grade 11-12 students. Parents will definitely have to step up and parent. Are the high school teachers/counselors ready to take on this task of extra emotional support? Yes, the schools will benefit from the extra funding that larger numbers bring in, but will there be decent programs offered to both Junior High and High School students? For example the K & E program?

---

Overpopulated schools in Beaverlodge, no staff, no extracurricular activities due to no staff, Town of hythe loses business and population

---

Grade 8 Where is the best place for this age group. May be better suited to BES

---

Sending grade 8 students to high school. I feel too much age difference and difference in maturity levels.

---

Grade 7's should have 8's with them, larger community of kids their age.

---

8's are quite young to be in highschool, not sure how grade 7's fit with a K-6 population

---

More crowded schools and low numbers in extracurriculars.
Not really any drawbacks for Beaverlodge students. Hythe Elementary will lose students.
Grade 8 is too young to be in the high school setting
Grade 8 is way too young to be meshed with High School, even Grade 9 is a stretch. It should remain how it is now.
Maturity level of students mixing with high school, the loss of a good junior high community in Hythe, more pressure for Horselake students to join with a larger unknown group, the loss of competitive junior high sports teams, the pressure on community CTS programs on the high school, may not be able to offer them to our feeder schools anymore and students would be more nervous coming to the high school after never stepping foot in this building.
It should be k-8 and 9-12 so that grade 8's are able to mature one year longer before being pushed into high school. GPPSD does this why can't PWSD
The high school would feel rather crowded with those additional students. There would be pretty major overhaul of life at BRHS. Grade 8 students could appear extremely underdeveloped next to a grade 12 student.
I don't like the idea of grade 8 students in high school
BRHS size limits and doesn't align with gp schools for sports teams
Grade 8 may be too young to be mixed in with high school students.
None
Sports teams maybe
Grade eight children too young to be with high school
It will be harder on the teachers in both HRS and BES for the jr. high classes. Teachers in grades 7-9 right now specialize in what they teach and aren't forced to teach other subjects. They would have to if the kids are split up. Sports will be harder to find coaches. Schools are grades 9-12 in Grande Prairie, not 8-12. It seems it would make more sense to make BRHS 9-12.
Grade 8's should not be in with grade 12's, not to mention the amount of money it would cost to just build a school when one was already newly built specifically for K-9. Would be an absolute waste of time and money
When students reach grade 6 at BES, they are ready to move on to Hythe to experience new friendships, join friends they've already made previously, experience a new school atmosphere and different teachers. They want to play school sports with a decent amount of players. HRS staff do not want to be shifted to Beaverlodge to teach! Special programs will be lost, which is not fair to students! Why should a small group of unhappy school council members from BES put this upon the system which has been working well for years and generally turns out well-rounded students? It causes division between the 2 communities, broken friendships and bad feelings, just as it did years ago when this scenario was tried to be implemented.
When students reach grade 6 in Beaverlodge they are ready to leave that school - they want to go to Hythe to join friends they've met through community activities, or make new friends; they want different and new teachers, to join large school sports teams, and to be treated as "older" students. That is why it's called "junior high" to prepare them for high school!

---

This scenario makes me very uncomfortable. I would never want my grade 8 or 9 in a constant environment of grade 11-12 culture and behavior. There is too much of a difference in maturity level and opens up a lot of opportunity for bad decisions by the younger grades.

---

Utilization

---

Future overcrowding

---

Grade 8s are not mature enough to be with grade 12s

---

Grade 8 in a much older environment

---

I see no drawbacks

---

8-9 being young and in a Highschool, unless kept more separate from the Highschool kids

---

Grade 8 students with grade 12 students. Hythes enrolment would be very low and nobody seems to care about that

---

Not really any but prefer 9-12

---

Grade 8 children maybe too young to be integrated into high school

---

Grade 8-9 in highschool isn't ideal. There is no separate place for them to be therefore they would be fully immersed into highschool which I don't think they would be ready for.

---

Junior high aged kids need to stay together even if they are from different communities. Putting gr8 In high school is Terrible idea, they need to stay with kids their age.

---

The kids will all suffer from this. Need to keep them together for their benefit.

---

I think that Grade 8 in the Highschool may be too young. I think that would be the only draw back with this scenario.

---

I believe that it takes away from the experiences of all kids to go to school with kids from different backgrounds and to have different friendships and experiences. If this option is allowed it would decrease the enrolment at the HRS and could in the future result in the chance of considering the closure of the HRS which would in turn cause kids in the west county to have to be bused even further to go to school in Beaverlodge. Having grade 8 students in the BHS is not a good fit as these kids are too young to be in the same school with all the older kids.

---

Why change what has worked FOR YEARS

---

Grade 8 is too young for high school

---

The safety and wellbeing of our children in Beaverlodge is at risk when you mix 14 and 15 year olds with 18 and 19 year olds. Those two age groups should not have school/sports/youth groups together and I have some life experience to share from when I first met highschoolers when I attended youth group as a jr high student. In 2011 two male BRHS students were looked into on accounts of rape and statutory rape. A 13 year old girl had gone to the Beaverlodge hospital after being raped and gave a statement to police. While investigating the scene another student was compromised for another encounter. The other student (18) was only released because the girl (myself) had recently turned 14 so based on timeliness it was not statutory rape. Although it was not statutory rape, 14 and 18 year olds should not be forming relationships. Now that I am an adult I see the danger. The other male student (16) was able to drop the charges by saying the girl (13) consented by helping him undress her. Gr. 7, 8, and 9 should not be added to any highschool. I will never understand why it is done. Please do not let this come to pass.

---

Grade 8 with grade 12

---

---

It's good for the 7-9 be together as they are playing hockey & other sports together they can bond better

---

Hythe would lose half of their JH population resulting in loss of teachers, loss of school extracurricular (sport teams), loss of programming (K&E, Inclusive Education, etc) and loss of social growth and development for students. There is no space in the BES school so PWPSD would need to spend money to build or modify while HRS would have empty space. This is not fiscally responsible of PWPSD and would impact the quality of education all students receive as well as eliminates opportunities for kids to participate in sports and make new friends. This scenario also segregates Horse Lake First Nation students further for the regional demographic and goes against the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action. Grade 8 students do not belong in the high school nor is there room for two more grades in that school.

---

Having young kids with older more influential kids makes for more problems. They should stay within their peer groups

---

Grade 8 may be too young for high school.

---

Grade 8 students are not mature enough to be mixed into a high school setting.

---

Prefer scenario 2

---

Splitting grade 7 and 8 would make it more difficult to build school sports teams.

---

None Really just Prefer Scenario 2

---

Can the High School Gymnasium accommodate all of those classes? Junior High Students are at an awkward vulnerable age and trying to figure out who they are. Being with High School Students adds unnecessary influence and pressure. Junior High Kids need to be with their own age/ peer group. Sports teams will suffer, having a regional school increases the selection of athletes and creates the opportunity for more teams

---

Hopefully not too much lost funding for HRS.

---

Grade 8 students are not mature enough to be put in a high school setting. Sports teams are an extremely important part of junior high and high school. It would be difficult to form team with only grade 7s or 6-7. They would not be equal with other teams in the area being so young.

---

I don't see any drawbacks to keeping Beaverlodge children off the highways more

---

None

---

I guess if I had to name one drawback it could potentially be there might be less bussing which could affect someone's job perhaps, I do not know.

---

I can't think of any drawbacks

---

Things don't need to change. There is not actual reason for the change.

---

Lack of junior high students in one school to make sports teams.

---

Decrease in percentage to HRS, Decrease in the number of after school activities, basketball, volleyball ect

---

Cost, kids in gr 8 & 9 being in the high school atmosphere, parents not taking into consideration the age/maturity level difference, kids being segregated from other peers until high school, smaller student registration (spread over 2 schools) will result in more cost and less funding

---

A BES K-7 does not repair the decreasing population in K-6, nor add more teachers to those grades. But it does split the teachers, resources and opportunities that come with a larger junior high population. Having junior high

---

---

students unnecessarily attend school with grade 10-12s when the school is not designed for that arrangement and separation is very worrisome as a parent. Grade 7, 8 and 9s benefit from the separation while maturing. Social influences have a huge impact educational experiences. The student population that would be left at HRS in grades 7, 8 & 9 would lose the educational supports and benefits that are population based.

---

8s to young to go to BRHS

---

I don't think the grade 8 kids should be around the older children.

---

I'm not totally sure that 8's should be in school with the older children.

---

Can't think of any.

---

Grade 8's being influenced by older ( grade 12)

---

i don't think grade 8's should be with grade 12's

---

HRS attendance numbers will suffer

---

The present plan is working and has been for years. Why do some people feel the need to dredge it up again and again

---

None

---

Possible larger class sizes, crowding in school.

---

Dividing of resources. Jr high students not having access to specialized teachers Divided communities Weaker programming and less options Less opportunity for competitive extra curriculum activities

---

• reduced diversity and increased division bt communities • division of, therefore likely reduced services to Hythe students

---

I dont see any downfalls to this

---

none

---

none

---

Depleting Hythe of funding for Jr high programing

---

Reduced programing. Oversized classes. Loss of specialized teachers. Reduces sports teams options. decrease in socialization. Increase in anxiety for students entering high school

---

Hythe school not utilized sufficiently which will result in loss of funding and programming

---

It's not ideal to have gr 8 with high school

---

Grade 8 seems too young for attending high school.

---

Grade 8 and 9's are not ready to be immersed with 10-12s that's a very large age gap within the same school. Does Hythe then lose Regional School status ? Now that Hythe is part of the county I would like to know what the county thinks of the transition . Are they involved?

---

The kids in grade 8 are exposed to grade 12, other schools have made this work, staggered breaks lunch etc

---

Grade 8 may be too young to attend high school

---

HRS loses fairly large amount of students and loses its ability to offer more specialized programs and activities

---

---

Grade 8s and 9s with high-school students

---

HRS students would be introduced in High School rather than earlier in Junior High. This may impact sports teams, quality of teachers etc.

---

Poorer education than at a regional junior high school

---

I would like to see BES K-8. BRHS 9-12. Hythe K-9.

---

Grade 8 students enrolled with grades 9-12 may not be the best idea considering the age range on students.

---

Fewer kids would attend in Hythe

---

Hythe deserves the same show of support to fill their school with students that Hythe has always given to beaverlodge by helping fill their high school. Not informed on budget or funding or anything but I'm pretty sure you need students to keep a school open and retain or hire teachers. If Hythe is negatively affected budget/funding wise or if it affects programming/curriculum, then Hythe loses out.

---

The students would be segregated and lose social opportunities that being together provide. HRS will lose significant student populations resulting in split level Jr. High grades and job losses. Students would be entered into high school culture far too early.

---

No drawbacks

---

Hythe Schools' Utilization goes down. I also feel that students in grades 8 and 9 are not mentally and emotionally equipped to be integrated in with students that are in grades 10, 11 and 12.

---

Enrolment numbers down in hythe. Lower utilization of building that is newer/expanded to accommodate. Hythe students still being bussed

---

We will lose specialist teachers, programming and so much more. Gr 8 & 9 in the high school is just asking for one disaster after another. The high school has enough problems at the moment without adding extra.

---

Grade 8 students may be too immature for a HS setting

---

Grade 8 does seem young to be in high school. However, if this is the only way to improve our public school system, then I guess it is something that needs to be considered. We need to put the kids first!!

---

Less funding for Hythe Regional school

---

Unsafe to co-mingle children with young adults. Many grade 12s are already 18. Many are using recreational drugs and alcohol. A lot of Gr.7s only have experience with drugs through the D.a.r.e. program. In BRHS they don't have sex ed they previously had just a term career and life management. I think it's very important that at gr8 and 9 kids are still receiving sexual education. Mrs Msith from BRHS kept her homeroom class in the Gr.10 hall so she could keep the predatory gr.12s away from them. Will she be moving to another hall to protect the younger children? Will someone retake her hall and continue to make sure gr.12s are not preying on gr10s?

---

Grade 8 not comfortable with the high school. Not the elementary

---

Young 13-14 year olds with 18-19 year olds. The pandemic has already stunted their emotional growth, this would increase the already high rates of anxiety.

---

In addition to what I said in question 2, I would like to add that I am not in favour of Grade 8 and 9 students being included with the high school students. BHS is not a closed campus. I would not want grade 8 and 9 girls or boys

---



---

being love-struck with grade 12 students. There is a huge difference in maturity between a grade 8 and a grade 12 students.

---

- costly to PWPSD running a newer school with fewer students and needing to do maintenance on an older school  
- high school does not want jr high - all jr high students need to make new friends and have their own space away from the younger kids and older teens

---

I feel as though children in grade 8 should be kept in the elementary school

---

Grade 8 students with Grade 12 students is not ideal in many ways. In my experience, many districts and schools that have attempted this approach, have ended up needing to rearrange students and have in the end caused way more transitions and stress than necessary.

---

Grade 8 students are too young to be in a high school environment.

---

9-12 is more acceptable than 8-12

---

Too young and impressionable for grade 8 in high school

---

I think maybe grade 8 is too young for high school.

---

As someone who has been born and raised in and around the community, it feels like segregation- it feel race based and prejudice

---

Hythe school will not be utilized as well as it can . Grade 8 should not be with highschool. Students from blodge will not get the same cultural diversity that Hythe has to offer. This is the opposite of reconciliation

---

Should be K to 8. 9 to 12.

---

Possible draw back is having younger kids with the high school kids

---

None

---

Small groups of 8&9s at the high school. Grade 8&9s from hythe, elmworth, St Mary's and Wembley transitions at a different time than other Beaverlodge students.

---

I can't even fathom sending my 12-13 year old daughter to school with a hormone filled 16-18 year old boy.

---

Grade 8,9 shouldn't be with high school

---

I dont believe 12/13 year old kids should associate with 17/18 year olds.

---

It's not necessarily a standard alignment of grades.

---

Increase of overall costs for very little ACTUAL benefit.

---

This survey is only biased towards BES, and doesnt explain how this will affect Hythe at all. You say Hythr will remain the same, but it's not true. BES doesnt actually NEED a new school. They WANT a new school. Adding grade 7 to BES will shrink the Hythe population, and will split resources too thin. There is currently a perfectly functioning school in Hythe that more then fits the current needs and students. BES will grow, and there will be more staff, but this will deplete the Hythe school and resources. Hythe currently offers extra curricular activities that BES cannot offer. They have a working kitchen who can supply the students with meals. A declining enrollment in Hythe will only affect the school in a negative way, after school activities will shrink, and these are what helps keep the kids healthy, contributing to their community and contributing to school pride. Our community needs this school. Depleting these will only do bad, creating resentment.

---

---

Why screw around with something that works?

---

Many local residents "don't like change" and would rather stick with the way it has been, then stepping back and looking at what makes sense

---

Grade 8 in the high school. Grande Prairie tried this and the age gap between grade 8 and 12 is so significant that they had so many issues and it only lasted one year before they sent grade 8 back to elementary schools

---

Grade 8 is fairly young for "high school"

---

kids won't have junior high in beaverlodge

---

i don't see any personally. it provides options for parents

---

Children of similar age should remain together. More students means better educational programs and more qualified teachers. Plus meeting social needs of that age group.

---

Grade 8 students are too young to be in a high school setting This makes sports teams difficult to form, especially in junior high setting without gr 8 students

---

Too many to mention. Racism is behind this as well as neither community looking after the other one.

---

Lost of student,teachers and program options for hRS

---

Less teachers. Less opportunity for extracurricular teams. Less socialization between communities. Less specialized teachers and option classes.

---

Spreading funding and resources thin among two communities with shrinking populations.

---

Split grades. Decrease in specialized education at smaller schools. Dividing communities. No opportunity to make more friends. Increase peer pressure for grade 8 and 9 students attending high school.

---

Grade 8 are to young to be missed into high school.

---

Drawbacks, would be the lack of registrations could negatively impact HRS as well.

---

Grade 8s are too young for a high school

---

None

---

Don't really see any drawbacks

---

Many things, why change what is not broken? Someone in grade 12 does not want to go to school with immature grade 8. It causes problems with school sports.

---

Not everyone would agree to with the new option for 8-12

---

Utilization of HRS is very low compared to BES in this scenario. HRS was recently renovated to accommodate the educational needs of grades 7-9, the space should be used if it exists. Separating grades 7-9 students into three different schools would create more sports teams, which requires more teachers to volunteer to coach or supervise them. Students have a chance to develop more meaningful friendships when they spend their days with a variety of different students. It is so amazing to see that kid who had few friends in elementary meet new people in grade 7 that they can connect with. Students in grade 7-9 deserve to have a separate school with their peers, where they can participate in activities meant for people their age. Having immature grade 8 & 9 students at BRHS is a terrifying proposal.

---

---

Why are we splitting two schools to 50% capacity and causing the students to miss out on sports because there is not enough teachers or students to support two area schools. BES also does not have a good reputation for caring and compassionate teachers and that is why people leave the school.

---

Nothing

---

How the grade 8 and 9 students will be effected interacting with older students

---

Grade 8&9 students should not be in same school as high school students

---

Grade 8s should be with grade 7s

---

Hythe loses kids. This feels like the beginning of the end for hythe. Hythe is where we plan to send our children.

---

I think Gr 8 is too young to be at the high school setting

---

HRS students won't have as many opportunities to do many things including extra curricular activities, field trips, etc due to the funding cuts. The mixing and mingling of students from different areas is better starting in the junior high age groups. Keeping them separate until grade 9-12 will create more division amongst peers.

---

Don't see any

---

I am not sure grade 8 are ready for high school.

---

I rather have my child in beaverlodge then send my child to hythe

---

Jr. High students are not mature enough to be around high school students, first of all. Secondly, jr high students will be more prone to substance abuse and sexual activity due to the fact that they will be around older students. Also, if only Beaverlodge students go to the high school what will happen with Elmworth, Hythe, Wembley and vallhalla students with are all supposed to begin high school together, would this not cause more division amongst students. Hythe student's education will be significantly affected if Beaverlodge students are pulled out.

---

I do not see a downside

---

With having Grade 8-9 joining BRHS, they are exposed to more mature topics (smoking, bad language, relationships, etc.) than they might just staying in a K-9 school. What about extracurricular options for the Grade 7 students in BES? Vball and Bball teams?

---

Grade 8 kids going to a highschool environment is very intimidating. Having that transitional period of grades 7-9 allows for kids to grow up, and create colleagues that all go into a highschool environment together I feel makes a difference. It did for me.

---

I don't see any

---

Grade 8 at high-school isnt great

---

I don't think it would be appropriate for Grade 8 kids to attend the high school

---

I am leery about grade 8 students with high school students.

---

Could limit options for grade 7, and social experiences of being in Jr.high. Grade 8 in a high school could expose students to experiences they are not ready for (partying, sex, smoking/vaping)

---

I don't see any significant drawbacks.

---

I think grade 8 students may still not be ready for high school

---

I feel grade 8 students integrated into a high school setting is too young.
There are no drawbacks
Lower numbers in HRS could be limiting for program offerings in JH.
I honestly dont have any drawbacks for this option
I don't agree with having grade 8 and 9 students with the high school. There's a big difference in development through those ages and combining them could have negative impacts.
None
Small junior high leaves less programming availability for all. This is not what is best for all studenrs
Grade 8 is too young to be in the high school. Their maturity levels are too low
Most kids are too immature at grade 8 to move to a high school level.
Senseless
Grade 8 students from Beaverlodge should be in the BES and Grade 7.
N/A
I personally don't think grade 8-9s are mature enough quite yet to attend a high school.
The only drawback I see with this scenario is I don't believe it is best to put the Grade 8's at the High School. I don't believe they are quite emotionally ready to be there yet.
Emotional maturity of grade 8 students may not align with the high-school maturity levels. Scenario 2 is a better option
I feel like grade 8 in the high-school is too early developmental wise
Students in all three communities-BL Hythe HL- would miss an opportunity to intermingle and bond before Highschool. It is also very apparent that this option is culturally segregating and takes away from students parents and staff becoming more exposed to and aware of different perspectives and ways of life.
Putting younger students with min the high school
I don't love the idea of my grade 8 daughter being in the highschool with grade 12 boys
8-12 is too big of an age gap for a highschool
Less population for hrs
Idk
In my opinion there would not be very many set backs the only set backs would be hrs population.
Grade 8 is way too young to be with grade 12
Grade 8 is too young to high school. Maturity levels don't match
Grade 8 in the high school could very well be too young, as students are far less mature in this last few years. More peer pressure with older students.
Hythe students are left behind

---

Grade 8 seems too young to mix with grade 12. I would go for BES k-8 and BRHS 9-12

---

Grade 8 is too young for high school.

---

Grade 8's are not ready to be in a high school. They would be better served being the "oldest" kids at the middle school. They would have more opportunities to be mentors and leaders than at the high school.

---

Keep it the same

---

With the way kids grow up in today's world I don't think grade 8 & 9 should be in the high school. The maturity level just isn't there. Even back in the early 90's in my school us grade 8's just wanted to fit in and be like the older kids. 4 years was quite a difference in the age span and maturity level. I would think Hythe would lose a huge amount of an enrolment if the kids stayed in Beaverlodge. What would that mean for that school and community. It has worked for many years so why change it.

---

By end of grade 6 kids need a change, grade 8 too young for high school setting. It leaves Hythe with low numbers. None would have sports teams

---

None in my opinion

---

Some parent may not feel it would be appropriate to have grade 8 students in a high school.

---

grade 8 & 9 kids are not ready for a high school environment. socialization between students in different communities is SO important and builds lasting relationships - especially before the separation on classes in High School (-1 versus -2 classes, etc.) This scenario ruins that opportunity.

---

Most models of schools are K-8, which is the scenario that's preferable- allowing the emotional and physical development to be maximized

---

Grade 8 is too young for HS

---

I don't see any drawbacks to having my kids go to school in their own community

---

I feel grade 8,9 shouldn't have to be placed with more mature students. Less diversity and peer groups

---

Less jobs for HRS teachers

---

When the hythe students go to highschool they will be out of the loop as the beaverlodge students have already been there. Students can't make connections in jr high between Hythe and Beaverlodge. Way less students in classes so teachers would be fired

---

The drawbacks of this scenario are Hythe kids losing the community of friends they are exposed to. As kids grow and become their own people it can be hard to find a peer group that you fit in with, this is especially so in very small communities. Limiting exposure to peers would make it harder for a lot of kids to find places where they fit in and find kids that have like interests. Exposure to cultural diversity will also be removed from the Beaverlodge kids which I feel would be a detriment. Learning cultural diversity at a young age is important to teach and learn acceptance and differences.

---

Just having more students in the highschool and making sure there is enough room for all the students

---

Grade 8 and 9 are too young for high school environment. Can BRHS support different level of education and educational style for the younger kids? Other towns may want to be included - over populates school

---

Grade 8 is too young to be placed with high schoolers.

---

---

I feel putting grade 8 kids in high school is not a good idea. I feel they are not quite ready to be in that environment at that age.

---

Way to big of classes, not enough teachers, not enough room in BES and BRHS, grade 8 and 9 students are still developing maturity levels and may not be ready to be in a highschool.

---

Less opportunity to meet/socialize with kids from other communities. Less opportunity to/for resources that students need (ex: extra curricular, sports, mental health,etc)

---

Less enrolment in Hythe

---

I don't see any drawbacks

---

More cramped classrooms but kids can cope

---

Grade 8 might be a bit young to go to school with high school kids

---

The only drawback might be early exposure to the older grades at highschool.

---

Zero draw backs

---

I think grade 8s with highschool is a bit young.

---

Less options for the students as a whole. Not a good idea for grades 8 and 9 to mix with high school kids as they are too young. Works well the way it is for becoming successful students so what is the need to change. Sad to see this happening again from a few disgruntled parents.

---

Further separation of the two communities building a divide between the populations. Reducing their ability to connect and make lasting relationships before high school.

---

There are no cons to this scenario in my household.

---

NONE!!!

---

Gr. 8 is young to attend high school. Difficult to give gr7 the junior high experience.

---

I don't see any

---

I don't see any draw backs

---

I can't think of any for my family

---

None

---

I don't think grade 8 should be in the high school. Those students are not ready to be in a setting with such older students

---

Young kids (12/13 yr olds) not mature enough to be going to school with 17/18 yr olds. Grade 7's would be missing out in school sports.

---

Drawbacks: Including Grade 8s as well into the high school might be overwhelming to the school capacity and rather grade 8s should be housed in BES as they have more capacity.

---

Nothing, as long as there is enough room at both schools to accommodate the extra kids

---

Isolating one community from another Weaker educational programming Fewer options and choices Less variety of instruction Fewer specialized teachers Creatres possibility of split classes

---

---

Split grades, less education options due to less teachers available compared to a regionalized school, sharing gymnasium/space time as more students using the same gym, more social peer pressure on grade 8 and 9 students being around high school aged students. More division between Beaverlodge, Hythe and Horse Lake communities as opportunities for friendships do not happen until high school, more of an adjustment for Hythe and Horse Lake students going to BRHS in grade 10 as lost opportunity in junior high, decrease in junior high school sports teams (no B teams) and decreased competition level. grade 7s have no mentors from grade 8 and 9s, Increased costs for PWSD for more staffing for three different schools.

---

I can't see any

---

Unsure

---

Less socialization between different communities. Less opportunities of specialized teachers and classes due to less students. Grades 8s having the opportunity to be peer pressured into relationships with grade 12s.

---

Where are all the new classrooms going to be? What are the class sizes going to end up being? There is already problems of grade 7-9 students being negatively influenced by grades 10-12 (parties, drinking, etc.) and they aren't in the same school.

---

I don't see any. I prefer scenario 2 but I support this as well.

---

Disruptive to the whole system....adding a wedge between communities.....future distance between upcoming citizens of both communities

---

I would be very concerned that the maturity level of grade 8 students and the peer pressures/environment at brhs will be a negative experience on many levels.

---

Having grade 8s with grades 10-12 is not a reasonable option.

---

None noted.

---

Unknown

---

I grew up in a community that had 7-12 in the same school. The lockers and home room classes were in different areas of the school, but the common areas all the students were around each other. Younger students were subject to influences from the older students, good or bad.

---

Loss of diversity gained from attending HRS, loss of students from HRS, job losses for teachers

---

K-8 and 9-12 would be more ideal.

---

High Concerns of maturity levels for introducing a student who just completed grade 7 and enrolling into a high school. Personal experience is there is a large difference between the schools and the students within as far as maturity and social confidence . Not to mention the social media activity differences and learning how to manage that as a child vs developing teen

---

Keep it the way it is

---

Grade 8 is quite young for high school

---

It is very beneficial for the schools to merge and everyone to get to know each other before high school. We bus high school kids in to Beaverlodge from all over, busing kids to the Junior high is no different, more kids more programming, and options.

---

---

Grade 7 will not get to experience a new environment with a new and diverse peer group. There will be less opportunities for extra curricular activities and quality educational experience. Grade 8&9 are not emotionally, physically and mentally ready for a high school environment and Beaverlodge high school is not large enough to accommodate a completely separate schedule for them

---

None

---

You are overloading the two Beaverlodge schools

---

I don't believe grade 8 kids are mature enough to be in school with grade 12s

---

None

---

everything, it's a terrible idea

---

Keeping in mind the maturity level of a grade 8 student as compared to a student in grade 11 or 12, I worry that the younger students could face bullying, may feel intimidated and excluded, insecure or even taken advantage of by some older students. The opposite could also happen and hanging out with older students, could expose younger kids to maybe potential more harmful issues, (parties, riding around in vehicles). Kids need to be associating with kids their own age, not students who are 4 years older.

---

Grade 8 students being influenced by older children

---

Gr 8 students in the high school

---

Read above

---

Junior High students benefit from routine, structure, consistency, and clear boundaries. I do not believe they would benefit from a high school setting

---

Grade 8 is too young to be in a high school

---

Additional teachers

---

Recently renovated school being under utilized

---

I do not see this option as having drawbacks, just a readjustment period.

---

Grade 8s should not mix with grade 10-12 students. Less programming options like Cree as a second language or less options for grade 7s because there are less of them than at Hythe Regional School. Hythe loses a lot of students and will be not be able to offer such diverse programming with less kids.

---

I feel grade 8 too young to be with grade 12 age group

---

Not sure if there would be a potential for then HRS to suffer and lose funding with the loss of Beaverlodge students?

---

The maturity gap between grade 8 and grade 12 kids.

---

I can not think of any.

---

Number of students remaining in Hythe would possibly put the school in jeopardy of closing

---

Gr 8 are in high school

---

None

---

HRS kids and BES students wouldn't get the chance to combine like they do now.

---



---

I do not see any draw backs

---

Grade 8 should be with elementary school

---

Grade 8 and Grade 12s should not be in the same school together due to maturity. I also don't believe that a 10 minute bus ride is detrimental to kids as I did the same bus ride when I was in junior high.

---

Grade 8 in the high school is not ideal, however it's better then the commute to Hythe

---

I don't like the idea of gr 8s 12 year olds turning 13) at the high school

---

I feel by adding Grade 8 to a High School is asking for trouble with those younger students. Grade 9 in a High School is already an issue.

---

None.

---

Grade 6 students are ready to move on to a new experience by the end of the school year and a lot of the students and teachers need that change. The lost students have more people to meet and hopefully make a new friend. Jr high students need their own place - they should not be with the younger students or with the older students - Hythe offers 2 separate schools joined by a foyer, giving the teens their own space. Separating the communities will affect the junior high students negatively due to lack of funding, fewer programs because of lack of student numbers, teachers who are forced to teach subjects that they are not comfortable teaching in split classes. The high school teachers do not want the jr high students because of behaviour problems and peer pressure. Surrounding junior high students will want to attend the high school as well which will cause problems

---

Grade 8 may be too young for the high school

---

don't feel that grade 8 students are mentally ready for high school crowds or peer pressure.

---

It sounds crazy to have grade 8 kids in high school. But Grande Prairie does grade 9 so I guess it's not that different.

---

Less diversity in bes and hrs Limited options everywhere because less students.

---

Besides this movement being rooted in racism, this scenario further creates a divide between these two communities whom share a multitude of programs and services. People are choosing to send their kids to st. Mary's because they don't want their kids to go to school with Horse Lake students, it has nothing to do with taking the bus.

---

Stress for the grades 8. Maturity

---

Staffing would be a concern, there is already a shortage of teachers, EA's etc. The increase in cost for running extra classes, the school budget is already stretched.

---

Capacity at BRHS near limit.

---

Grade 8 may be better suited for the elementary school

---

I feel grade 8 might be too young to be socializing with grade 12's. They may find themselves in social situations that are too mature for them.

---

None.

---

Underutilization of Hythe school. Grade 8s are too young to attend high school.

---

No room in the Highschool for these extra kids and then what happens to the Hythe school ?

---

The cost of building new schools

---

Reduced programming options for all students, especially those at HRS. Splitting resources and funding between three sites would dilute programming options for all students. The rich variety of option classes would be impossible to offer with reduced staffing resulting from fewer students. Specialized classes such as K&E would be less viable with fewer students, if they are possible at all. Fewer teachers, especially teachers with subject specializations, would reduce the level of instruction for all students. Expecting teachers to teach a variety of subject areas, rather than subject specialties is taxing and makes engaging programming more difficult. Reduced numbers could potentially create split-grade classes which makes achieving curricular objectives much more difficult. Reduced sports team options. Competitive sports teams at any site would be unlikely. Plus, having the trained coaching staff, or teacher supervisors, would be less likely. Without competitive sport skill development at formative ages, the likelihood of playing college or university sports is much less likely, as is the possibility of sports scholarships. Some students would choose to attend other schools in order to access these options. Slashing school usage at HRS to 43% is a terrible waste of infrastructure. HRS is set up to accommodate all regional JrHigh students. Dismantling this would be a huge waste of money. Socializing with students from all communities would be eliminated. The community building that occurs at HRS would be eliminated. Building compassion and acceptance of other cultures during formative years facilitates a smoother transition to high school. It also benefits high school completion. Eliminating this community building harms our students now and in their futures. Our young people will be exposed to many cultures in their lives and having a compassionate, accepting mindset will facilitate better relationships in work environments and in communities. Learning to accept others during formative years is a critical step to thriving in a diverse world. With reduced numbers and subsequent reduced funding, special performances, speakers, events, etc would be greatly reduced for all students. A plan like this would hurt HRS deeply. It would also hurt the community of Hythe. Is it justified to damage one school community so terribly when the current system is working very well?

I see none my child will attend St Marys if he has to be bussed to Hythe

I would never allow my child to be part of a high school in Grade 8 or 9 and will transfer my child to a different school. Grade 8 & 9 are not emotionally mature enough and will harm students' emotional well-being.

Will have limited funding for outside sources, counselling, sports, academics, and cultural awareness.

That grade 8 is too young to attend high school. The maturity of a grade 8 student is very different from that of one starting grade 10. I feel like they will be lost in the system.

Decreased enrolment in HRS. Decreased socialization for kids in HRS. Would affect HRS extra-curricular activities.

Increases the opportunity for younger kids to be exposed to the peer pressures of older kids. High school boys dating jr high girls. Jr high kids to mimic behaviors of high school kids.

Schools would be too crowded and this would not benefit either Beaverlodge school. The thing to look at is what we can do to bring the kids back to Beaverlodge that jumped over to the Catholic school after the Catholics got a new school.

None

As a former student from Hythe and now a parent of children attending HES, the biggest drawback I see of this is the fact that Scenario 1 & 2 both give a HUGE disadvantage to the Grade 9's from Hythe. If Beaverlodge Gr.9's are allowed to go to BRHS before the Gr.9's from Hythe they will have the advantage of already having attended that school for a year, knowing the layout, teachers, older students, etc. Hythe students already bus to Beaverlodge from Gr.7-9 for shop classes and then in Gr.10-12 for High School. Why is it such a big deal to Beaverlodge parents that their children are required to bus to Hythe. This has been an issue with BL for the last 40 years!!

---

As above answered Several draw backs \*\*\* Grade 8 & 9 do not belong in a senior high setting The communities loss there ties and the ability to make life long friends Along with separating the schools lowers the student count in hythe leaving one community to suffer as they won't have the counts for certian options to be offered

---

As above

---

As a teacher and a parent, I don't believe grade 8 or grade 9 should be with highschool. Also, Hythe is a beautiful new school. It would be wasted. My kids go to Hythe and I love the school the way it is.

---

Grade 8 kids are a little young to be influenced by grade 12 students

---

There is not enough room at the Beaverlodge schools to accommodate this, this would completely split up friend groups and make it very hard to put sports teams together.

---

grd 8 is to young to be in highschool setting grande prairie tried it at st john paul my son was there there just not ready at that age

---

I believe the drawbacks lay within a lack of connection. When Hythe and Beaverlodge students are able to go to school together before high school, they are able to build new friendships, experience new cultures and build more relationships. By splitting this up, we lose connections to those the neighbouring community

---

I definitely do not like Grade 8 students included in HighSchool. I think placing Grade 8 students in a K-8 environment promotes leadership and confidence and maybe doesn't expose them as much to what goes on at the highschool level.

---

Grade 8 will be in the high school with older children.

---

Unfortunately Hythe Regional may lose funding due to a decrease in students

---

NONE

---

I don't want grade 8 at the highschool, and BES isn't big enough for grade 7 to join

---

Splitting the HRJunior high would put Hythe at a disadvantage class size wise, ability to provide good options as well as the ability to have sports teams.

---

Grade 8 too young to be in high school

---

Grade 8s are too young in a high school

---

Hrs has low enrollment utilization.

---

Less/no option classes Less/no school sports Less/no extracurriculars Grade 8 and 9 with the high school kids and them possibly being a bad influence 8's and 9 are not as prepared for High school due to age. Grade 7 gives the kids a fresh start from teachers and other students they have been with for years. A new start can make a difference especially since Junior High teachers get to know the kids before reading notes from previous teachers,

---

The Hythe school would lose some funding!

---

None

---

Grade 8 maybe too young and not mature enough to attend the high school.

---

Grade 8 is too young to be in High School

---

None that I can see, unless there is a demand for more space in either the BES or BRHS

---

Prefer to see grade 8 kids at BES, but still better than bussing them
Age of students enrolling into a High School. Utilization of Hythe School
I think grade 8 is too young to be at the highschool
none
We wouldn't be able to offer as many programs as funding would have to be split into more schools and so everyone would lose in the end.
The lost diversity, friendships, additional supports, K&E, sports is wrong and is not best for the students.
Junior high starting at grade 8 at the high school might be to early.
I don't think the grade 8's are ready to mix with the high school kids. It also limits the sports opportunities for the grade 7's
Less students in Hythe means less opportunities for extra curricular activities and programming.
Grade 8 may not quite be ready to be in the high school scenario on a full-time basis.
The huge age gaps
Less programming options for all junior high students, HRS junior high would be almost empty, Beaverlodge students will not be exposed to diverse cultures through interactions with Horselake students, and extracurricular sports would suffer for all junior high students.
It would greatly limit the learning and extracurricular opportunities for 7-9 students. There would be smaller peer groups that have been the same since kindergarten. Students need a chance to meet new people. Grade 8&9s are also not ready for a high school environment. I would be greatly concerned for their mental, physical, and emotional well being.
Younger kids starting high school
I believe gr 8 is too young from high school
The kids from hythe don't get the same interaction and they would lose their teachers due to numbers dropping. They should keep Jr high and high school separate.
Grade 8 has no place in a high school setting. Even grade 9. They should be in a junior high school system where the school is focused around them and their learning and development.
None
Brhs more crowded
Grade 8 in BRHS, they are subject to the older grades and more influence.
Hythe would lose lots of funding due to being under the utilization percentage. Hythe students would lose some of their programs. Not moving to the new school with the same grade from bes would be an issue as well.
Grades 8 and 9 are too young to go to high school and the grade 7's may have their maturity stunted staying in elementary school.
I feel like grade 8 is too young to join into the highschool. The maturity level and mental health are concerns for me.

---

There is a large difference in maturity and stage of growth from Grade 8 to 12

---

It makes more sense to have Grade 8 students at BES along with Grade 7 students.

---

None

---

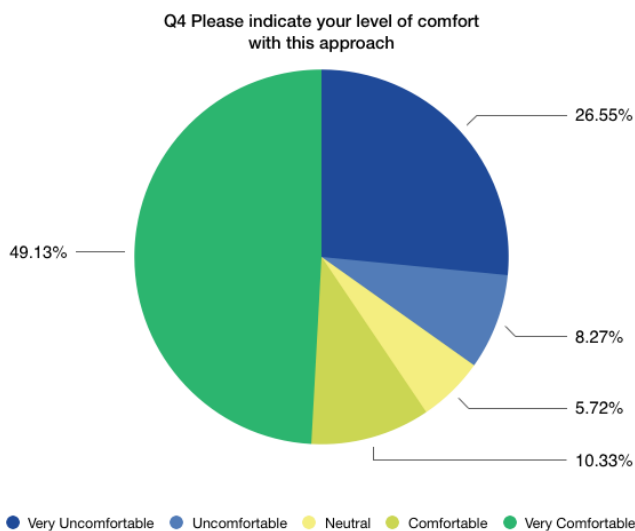
None

---

## Scenario 2 (Re-alignment: BES K-8 and BRHS 9-12)

### Please indicate your level of comfort with this approach.

In the **online survey**, respondents shared their overall comfort level with this scenario for junior high programming. It is important to note that the majority of survey respondents shared that they associate most with Beaverlodge, and also that voices in any engagement process expressing inequity will always be less than a majority. As such, it is important to understand that this quantitative data provides an incomplete story without the added context of participant stories, perspectives and experiences.



### What are the benefits of this scenario?

---

I would love to see this scenario come to fruition in the near future. It would bring the students back to the public district and give the people of the Beaverlodge community the opportunity to educate their children in their home community K-12. Families are actively choosing the catholic school division in Beaverlodge because they offer JUNIOR HIGH in the town of Beaverlodge. That is the reason why BES enrollment is declining. Families are starting to choose the catholic school right at the kindergarten level.

---

---

Increased enrollment at BES More utilization of space at BES Students feel more sense of community Continue to grow and foster BES's mentorship/leadership programs with community members (business owners, RCMP, high school students, fitness, sports, arts programs) Easier transitions to the high school (create and foster relationships with the high school teachers) Participate in more community events Easier to utilize the facilities within the town of Beaverlodge (Arena, curling rink, swimming pool, cultural center, fitness center) Students anxiety decreases (having to transition to riding the bus, this is new for lots of students, less anxiety in regards to learning a new community, less anxiety on finding "their" person/safe person in a new community) It's harder and harder for parents to afford gas to travel to Hythe to attend events, volunteer, pick up their children. Lots of low income families in our community. Lessen mental health & wellness concerns for our students "It takes a village" - keep the students local Increased learning opportunities (access to the high school, and other community facilities) More involvement with seniors

---

I'm fine with that as well

---

Community stability enhance family engagement in school

---

Increased home time for beaverlodge residents, less bussing, more funding allocations for public schools and attractiveness to reside in beaverlodge

---

Kids being closer to home

---

This only benefits BES's long term goal of a new school. This is ridiculous for PW to even consider when HRS is virtually new and plenty of room to house all 7-9's as it has done for many years

---

No more bussing to hythe. BES and BRHS numbers will be better. Hopefully in the near future a new school can be built in Beaverlodge.

---

It allows Beaverlodge area residents to retain their own children in their own town.

---

Gives Beaverlodge Elementary a chance at revitalization

---

There are zero reasons for this move other than parental convenience and segregation.

---

This is the best scenario for all involved! Our kids get to stay in our community, PWPSD retains the enrollment numbers to be able to fund all 3 schools and lives/money are/is saved by not having to transport from one Community to the next!

---

All students would be able to continue their education in their home community until high school. There would be an opportunity to have more junior high aged sports teams; some for Beaverlodge and some for Hythe.

---

Keep Kids In beaverlodge!

---

Question 4. will not allow me to put the star on very comfortable. We wouldn't be putting a huge amount of children on buses to send them to a different town - Beaverlodge is their home and they shouldn't have to go to a smaller town for their education.

---

Convenience for some parents.

---

The grade 8's aren't exposed to the bad habits of the older grades

---

Beaverlodge should be K - 9 like every other community

---

Students remain in their home community

---

---

Having children educated in their home community would allow more time being educated and less time riding the bus. The student would have continuity being educated in their home town and not feel displaced at another community. The thought of having all my children in my community where I work and live will allow me to support them at school, volunteer and be available for their needs. Beaverlodge is a thriving community with many amenities and I want my children to have access to these for their entire education. I was educated for junior High in Hythe and felt detached from my family and community and didn't have the support that I required because logistically my family was not able to be there during business and school hours. Having grade 9 at BRHS is a great opportunity for mentorship, sports, semester system and offers a mature environment to achieve and prepare students for success. PLEASE ALLOW US TO HAVE OUR CHILDREN BACK AND IN THEIR HOME COMMUNITY.

---

This way makes more sense to me.

---

Same as before

---

Beaverlodge students would not have to travel to hythe for school

---

do not see any obvious benefits here either

---

Safer

---

kids have a jr high experience in their own community. Possible inventive programming for kids in Beaverlodge. Kids from Beaverlodge do not have to travel outside their community for school.

---

Beaverlodge students stay in their community, creating more community experiences and belonging. Beaverlodge students do not need to commute to another town. Better use of time.

---

Again, I do not see any

---

Beaverlodge students will remain in their own home community.

---

Best for Beaverlodge students to be schooled in home community

---

Increases enrollement for Peace Wapiti back to a suitable percentage. A more appropriate transition from jr high to high school with grade 9 entry. More suitable mentorship and eollmodeling for elemntry kids. Cost savings and a more suitable to ensure safety for kids on a busy highway. Less driving for parents who have kids in school sports. Increase to staffing .

---

More students funnelled into BES

---

Bussing

---

If HRS remains the same all junior highs can have both A and B teams

---

child doesn't have to travel

---

If k-8 is the plan for the whole region this might be a consideration. This still is detrimental to educational opportunities in Hythe. We have a unique scenario between the two communities and the current system was the best compromise to meet the needs in both communities. Hythe has a great new school, it would be a travesty to not utilize it as it was intended

---

None

---

Beaverlodge students would stay in Beaverlodge. Shorter bus rides for 7-9, shorter school days for BRHS and BES, no CSWs, 7-9 would not have to bus back and forth on highway. JR high students don't have to bus from Hythe to

---

---

Beaverlodge for options. Students in Beaverlodge would create opportunity for more sports team for playing against HRS and surrounding communities.

---

No bussing kids to Hythe anymore and it's in line with the schools in GP

---

Students would remain in their home town. \*\*\*This isn't something all Beaverlodge parents support. Reduced time for transportation. Would alleviate concerns for Grade 8 students attending BRHS.

---

-Beaverlodge students remain in Beaverlodge for their junior high. -Potential increase or retention of enrollment at BES, rather than students leaving for the Catholic School -Students do not have to spend time on busses between Beaverlodge and Hythe. -Opportunities for sports and extracurricular activities will be available in the community. -Staff at BES knows their students well and can work toward their continued success with established relationships-for students, teachers, AND parents. -Enough of a junior high student base to be able to offer additional programs and supports, such as a K&E program.

---

Grade 8s not in high school

---

As I explained in previous scenario I don't believe there are any benefits to this.

---

Beaverlodge families can educate their children in their home community when they are young.

---

No bussing to Hythe

---

keeps Beaverlodge kids in their own community for their education no more bussing issues

---

-Beaverlodge students would be educated in their own community -there would be continuity and one less transition for Beaverlodge students -gr 9s would get a head start in preparing for high school, (so for that matter, I think all the region's gr 9s should move to BRHS!) -shorter bus rides -it would remove CSWs, which are a struggle for dual working parents to accommodate -it could create more programming opportunities for BES -people would have the option to educate children at either the Catholic school or in Beaverlodge, depending on their faith and not just simply choose Catholic school because it is the only local option for jr high education -Beaverlodge students would be able to participate in their community's events and use the larger number of facilities

---

You get to stay within your community.

---

Keeping students in their respective communities as well as utilizing space at BES.

---

no more bussing. It can be dangerous during winter months. I don't believe that it is cost effective.

---

There are so many benefits. When I attended Junior high the Hythe kids and Beaverlodge kids were both new students. Hythe also went to a new school the Junior High. Now only Beaverlodge children are out in unfamiliar territory. The Hythe children have established relationships with the staff, administrators and secretaries. Keeping our kids in the community is beneficial because they have established relationships. A huge benefit is not riding a bus, I live in the town of Beaverlodge because I didn't want my child to ride a bus. We have to go up there for hockey and sometimes cannot even get on the highway. It is a single lane very busy highway and sometimes the kids are sitting 3 to a seat! That is UNSAFE. I am an active volunteer at my kids school but that will stop in grade 7 as I run a business and have 4 children I do not have time to run to Hythe. Beaverlodge parents are doing ALL the coaching up there how is it fair that they have to put km's on their vehicles, fuel them up and then drive unnecessarily to another community. If your child forgets something and we all know children are more anxious how do we just run it up to them. This singles the child out and makes them more emotional. For my child's mental health they need to stay where we are. The doctors are moving out of Hythe so now we are bussing our kids somewhere there is no medical and no RCMP. This is totally irrational and quite frankly dangerous.

---



Beaverlodge should be K to 9 and Hythe k to 9 for their students if each community
I see no benefit
Everything, this is perfect
Similar model to many other areas in the province and keeps our kids in our community.
None.
There are none
None
Nothing kids will loose out on sports activities and funding
No bussing for Beaverlodge students, shorter days for all students, stronger sense of community, no transitions for young students
None
There is no benefits
Better grade split for students than option 1
Bring able to keep staff employed in Beaverlodge
NONE
Students remain in their own community, less travel on an unsafe highway, less school transitioning, more community activity involvement, more can access after school sports, remaining in a familiar environment
None
Less travel
Saves Beaverlodge Elementary from losing a large number of students to St.Mary's .
No benefits
?
Only benefits students in Beaverlodge.
This would line up with the rest of the high schools in the division
Same as before
Keeping kids in the community they live in. Higher utilization of BES would bump it up in priority for a new school eventually. The school is very old.
-keeps our kids in our community -keeps kids in an environment they know, trust, and feel comfortable in longer -kids get to remain around the teachers they already love -reduces unnecessary bussing and the potential hazards associated with it -keeps siblings in the same school together longer -significant increase in convenience as far as picking up the kids for sick days or appointments, or for dropping off if running late -won't have to miss school if busses don't run -local businesses can increase revenue on hot lunch days due to higher number of orders
none for HRS

---

Education in Beaverlodge would align with new K-8, 9-12 split in schools. Less busing of students is always a benefit. There would be twice as many school sport teams to allow students from HRS and Beaverlodge K-8 to participate on.

---

Again no benefits.

---

The correct mix of Jr High students in elementary, and Highschool. - the one I grew up with. Works just fine  
Again 60% reduction of students in Hythe so less options for both groups

---

This survey is so beyond bias. Did the parent council create this survey because it is absolutely ridiculous. I definitely do not want to know how much this survey costs.

---

Kids not on busy highway in busses.

---

Children living in and around Beaverlodge would be able to complete all of their education in THEIR community. Students are no longer spending time in buses which makes their days longer and increases their risk. It doesn't make sense to put kids on buses unnecessarily when they could remain in our community for school and extracurricular activities. I believe more students will be able to participate in after school/extracurricular activities as transportation won't be a barrier.

---

Takes more buses off the road

---

This is the only sane option . Having kids on a school bus an extra 40 minutes a day , on a busy dangerous single lane hi-way , for no reason is a bad idea. There is lots of room at the BES , utilize the space .

---

Possibly parents who have chosen to send their children to St. Mary's would choose Beaverlodge schools if they don't have to bus to Hythe.

---

Kids can stay in the town they live. Easier for families that live and play sports in beaverlodge. No driving on highways. Closer to hospital for kids that need medical attention

---

None

---

Less travel for families Younger students stay at elementary longer.

---

Gr 8's can be role models & take on responsibility to mentor younger students, while building their leadership skills. That in turn gives them confidence when attending BRHS.

---

Stay in their own communities Don't have to bus Blodge kids to Hythe More able to have parent and family involvement

---

Local beaverlodge students do not have to bus to hythe

---

Beaverlodge kids are kept in Beaverlodge.

---

there are no benefits

---

KIDS ARE NOT TRAVELING TO REMOTE SCHOOL, AS THERE IS ROOM IN THE COMMUNITY FOR OUR CHILDREN

---

Again no benefit to hythe if anything it's damaging

---

I like my kids staying in beaverlodge and not going to Hythe. It help gives our community more options and helps our school . We are the only small community that doesn't offer a junior high.

---

No benefit

---

---

We can fill our schools up again and start to get more government funding again as we are losing out right now because we don't have enough students in our school making our capacity low.

---

Student and staff disruptions less space in BES inability for both schools to provide the same programs ; expertise in staff I.e. speciality in math, science etc. that elementary specialists is more general.

---

Kids not bussing to Hythe for jr high

---

Kids get to stay close to home

---

My son would stay in his current environment

---

I am very comfortable with the above recommendation. As a past parent of 2 student that attended HRS, it would of benefited my children to have them in our home town of Beaverlodge, having direct access to them for sick leave as well as being able to attend sporting activities as we were not always available to take time off to make the 1/2 hour trip back & forth to Hythe

---

No true benefits. The only benefits are to appease a small vocal group of people and have fewer hassles from them. No educational benefits for our young people.

---

The research has been done, I don't feel that we need to remind anyone about the benefits of community schooling. There are many schools within PW that are community based, have great programming, and are what is best for our KIDS and their future. This realignment will help to increase the ongoing decline in enrollment at BES. Over 100 enrollment drop over the past years, this is alarming. Parents are choosing to enroll their children in St. Mary's (catholic board) due to having the option of keeping their children in their community. Keeping students in our own community means that we are able to utilize all the facilities that Beaverlodge has to offer (more than what Hythe has to offer), parents/community members are able to keep "eyes on" to help mentor these children. Children are exposed to drugs/alcohol at a much younger age now, allowing these students to stay in their community gives them more supervision and direction into making better choices. Most PW elementary schools are K-8, and are extremely successful with programming. Why can't Beaverlodge have the same thing?

---

Choice. Safety. Community involvement. Parental access Growth within your own community

---

Families stay together

---

Better utilization of Beaverlodge facilities.

---

I see no benefits to this scenario.

---

Less bus travel for both beaverlodge students. Bus Safety. Keeping students in their home community's.

---

Save Beaverlodge Elementary School

---

Students get to stay in their community , save on extra bus time.

---

By grade 9 they are still a bit immature but they would adapt as they are aware of scenarios where older kids might try to engage in a relationship with them

---

Beaverlodge students would not need to be bussed.

---

No benefit to anyone other than BL parents

---

Students remain in community. Grade 8s remain with grade 7s to have more of a sense of a junior high within the elementary. Grade 8s aren't exposed to more mature behaviours of high school ages students. Sports teams could easily be formed with both Grade 7 & 8 students.

---

---

Convenient for parents to have kids in their own community.

---

Grades 9 and up have a better level of maturity than grad 8 students and would have better chances of coping with grades 10-12.

---

I like this approach better, less kids at the high school the better

---

Keeping kids that live in BL within the town.

---

Besides kids not having to bus to Hythe there is no benefits. No matter what way you look at it students will still have bussing from Hythe.

---

I don't see any.

---

Don't think this is the best solution. Too many capacity issues

---

-kids stay in their home community -so much more community involvement -extra-curricular now offered to grades 5-8 which is the same at St. Mary's -SO MANY BENEFITS

---

Better split of age groups for the high school

---

I think 1 and second scenarios are good. I think in both scenarios we'll have challenges like kids don't want to be around kindergartens or "bigger" kids might be bad influence and no matter what's gonna happen we'll need teachers and parents work together on solving that I believe in long term projects because then you can work on things better and hopefully spend less money or divert the money in better ways

---

Utilizing space. Safety of children

---

keeping our kids in the community

---

Kids remain in their community with no need for bussing. Close to home and parents. The current athletic standard in GP is high schools with a Gr 9 junior team. We would be more competitive and match the same aged teams.

---

Keeping the kids in our community.

---

A little better alignment. But still very very different mentalities of the students.

---

The number one benefit is keeping our kids in our community. The single lane highway to Hythe has become dangerous and overused sometimes in the morning it is almost impossible to get on the highway. Having my children 15 mins away from me makes it inconvenient and sometimes impossible to pick them up if they are sick, take them their lunch if they have forgotten, pick them up after extra curricular and also to volunteer in their school or even watch them win an award. The kids in Hythe build a strong bond and relationship with the staff and admin and our kids bus to a school where they know none of the staff. Keeping our kids in our community is where they have built and established relationships. My kids could walk home after practises. Currently in Hythe the coaches for the basketball teams all reside in Beaverlodge it would be so convenient to volunteer in our own community. There are so many amenities in our town that are currently utilized by our elementary school but are so necessary for junior high kids. It is the best possible thing for the children!

---

Better for working parents and single moms to get to work on time

---

Kids stay together in the community. Schools are utilized at better capacity. Less bussing and less time away from family.

---

---

I like this scenario the best due to being more age appropriately balanced. I personally attended peace wapiti academy from 9-12 and it was nice to have that extra year branching into highschool Life.

---

Less travel times, kids stay more local and grow up with each other

---

My son (grade 3 currently) doesn't have to get transferred to hythe for multiple years - which is double the distance he already goes to and from school. Right now he has to be on the bus for 7:10 which is already early enough and doesn't get home some days until 4:20pm. It's a long day for these guys and I will transfer to another school in Beaverlodge or elmworth if he cannot go to Beaverlodge in junior high

---

Great option

---

less travel

---

Beaverlodge students can remain in Beaverlodge and attend after school programs or walk home after school.

---

This does not benefit students - taking from the "poor" community to give to the "rich" community. Disgusting

---

Building a Future for Beaverlodge Elementary. Our community and Our kids matter.

---

None

---

Great balance of the grades, all Beaverlodge and surrounding area kids are remaining in their community

---

Way less transfer time if my children get to stay in Beaverlodge. Able to keep extra curricular activities (all in Beaverlodge). Wouldn't have to consider transferring to St. Mary's or homeschooling.

---

Cost and safety

---

I think adding more diversity in ages to the buildings is great, helps the kids in countless ways such as learning to co exist and learn from a larger variety of ages.

---

Keep our kids together

---

Kids stay in their own community, parents from this community can access their kids easily and more easily take them to activities (many parents work in GP, Hythe is not where beaverlodge kids should have to go), there is space for these kids in their own community

---

Again, shorter bus times. Higher in enrolment in Beaverlodge schools

---

Beaverlodge having their Grade's 7-9 back in the community which is long overdue!

---

Enrollment numbers

---

Town students can remain town students.

---

Kids are learning in there own community and is grandparents can participate

---

None

---

Kids back to BL. Increased enrolment creates opportunity for new school. BES is due for replacement even if it takes a few years. More kids can participate in extra curricular activities. Parent involvement would also increase. People choose BL because of what it has to offer. Local schools is a huge issue. Bussing kids out of our community has never made sense.

---

High school kids closer in maturity levels, as well as in BES

---

9's can interface with 10 -12's.

---

---

aligns with most schools in the greater area, utilization in Beaverlodge schools increases, grade 7 and 8 fit together at a K-8 school

---

Kids not having to bus and smaller classes.

---

Beaverlodge students are able to remain in their community, they spend less time on buses, CSWs are eliminated which makes childcare easier, attract more students to the public system rather than attending the Catholic school. Many families do not wish their children to be bussed out of the community to Hythe.

---

Beaverlodge Elementary could become competitive in attracting students !!

---

No benefits, apart from Hythe remaining the same as it is now. We do not need a Jr High in Beaverlodge. As per the first scenario, the information is very biased towards BES. The benefits of Hythe remaining the only Jr High include higher enrollment, keeping specialized teaching staff, specialized classes, diversity, preparation for High School, new faces and teachers that haven't known them since JK, inclusion.

---

None

---

Nothing

---

Community schooling for all grades. Removing safety concerns and busing costs. Creating a junior high option for public school in Beaverlodge to keep students in PWPSD

---

Higher enrolment and positive influence and growth allowance for students.

---

Less bus riding than current. Addition of grade 9 students to the high school allows a smoother transition for them at the grade 10 level.

---

Better utilization of resources

---

Keep kids off highway

---

Similarities to other high schools in gp area

---

Keeping more kids off the highway because it is getting busier and busier every year.

---

Beaverlodge students would not have to bus to HRS.

---

None

---

Better utilization of each school

---

All children would be in own community

---

HRS- less bullying, smaller class sizes BES-less bullying, smaller class sizes

---

There's literally nothing wrong with the way it is now. If kids in past were able to learn and grow in the current environment, kids of the future are completely capable too

---

Don't see any benefits other than the bussing component which has worked for e for many years. BES student council are pushing this because they don't want their kids on the roads, but ask them how much they are on the road for extra curricular activities - going to GrandePrairie several times a week for dance, hockey, etc. That travel doesn't seem to bother them.

---

It keeps enrollment numbers up in Beaverlodge

---

Kids are closer to age group and community

---

None
No transition for grade 7 and 8. More community involvement ( creates pride in community) grade 9 students get another year to decide future career
I don't see this option as being beneficial
Beneficial to beaverlodge but again of no benefit to hythe at all
My kids don't have to travel on that HWY unnecessarily. Especially when BES is using Classrooms for storage rooms. So Crazy.
No bussing kids outside their community to a smaller community Opportunity for extracurricular school sports Participate in local community events Parent volunteering Utilizing curling rink, skating rink, pool Familiarity for children with mental health issues and/or disabilities
Beaverlodge students remain in their hometowns, where they can easily participate in school activities, avoid unnecessary travel, give parents better connection to their children's schooling.
No benefits
No benefits. It needs to stay the same for the kids sake.
Bussing and the fact our winters make for dangerous roads that the students do not need to be on the highway between the towns
The benefits of being able to utilize both public schools to a higher capacity will not only benefit the kids, schools, and teachers but also our community. When we are able to stay in our community we are using our gas stations, our grocery stores and our amenities. This in turn keeps our Town growing. The town that we chose to live in and pay tax in.
I don't believe there are many benefits other than for the Beaverlodge parents that do not want their kids going to school with kids from Horse Lake and Kelly Lake for as long as possible.
Same as last reply, this only benefits Beaverlodge , and they just complain to hear themselves talk .
for some students, grade 9 is better inhigh school
If each of our schools is equally utilized right now why are we trying to change it. That would only tip the scales and leave another school without efficiency and means to maintain a positive learning environment for the children.
Kids stay in there community and can start a semester system like GP
Our kids remain in our community, they don't spend unnecessary time on a bus, more time with family, familiar school, kids have become more anxious and this is beneficial. I can pick my child up from extra curricular, the doctors are moving out of a Hythe so there is no medical and there is also no RCMP. They can interact and mentor younger children. They can play on sports teams at younger ages. They can be involved in all of the fun town events, I can help coach as all the coaches in Hythe are Beaverlodge parents. I can take my kids to appointments and volunteer at the school for the afternoon! The benefits are endless
Again gr 9 are not mature enough to be with grade 12
BES would create need for new school which is the desire of the BES Council.

---

What benefits? Talk about safety problems with kids transferring to Hythe...this still makes Hythe students go to Beaverlodge on the bus for high school

---

Students can be educated in their home town for K to grade 12. No bussing. Students can maintain the strong relationships they have built within their school and their community.

---

Beaverlodge student population can be present in their own community helping them with their hardest developing years. (My vote is very comfortable with this decision, the survey is glitching)

---

Kids can stay in their community, higher enrolment means higher funding, which provides for more programming. More likely to put my kid in after school sports cause I don't have to drive 20 minutes to get them.

---

Keeping our students in their own community and off the busy highway

---

Keeping students safe, by not transporting them unnecessarily twice daily on a extremely busy highway, when the Beaverlodge schools have room for these students

---

-Needs (educational and wellness) are met for all students in both communities. -Support for public education in Beaverlodge enables longevity of the public school system. -Stability in programming at all 3 schools. -Optimal extracurricular opportunities. -More efficiency in transportation of students.

---

This Support's Community Education and less Transitioning for my Kids.

---

Beaverlodge kids won't be bussed.

---

Better balance of age groups between school buildings. Not having to send 7-9 students all the way to Hythe

---

Again, students are kept in their community that is safe and they have a connection with. Grade 9 students are mature enough to be included in a high school setting. This would be beneficial for sports teams as they could possibly form a B team and have additional students given the opportunity to play.

---

If Hythe residents would like their young children to stay in their town for school they should have that option

---

Brings the Beaverlodge Students home

---

I can see having K-7 but K-8 is a bit of a stretch with how kids can be and act at that age and I don't believe the younger kids need to see that junior high type behavior, they are influenced enough in this world.

---

Do you realize by adding the grade 9s to the highschool you are asking for even more trouble?

---

I don't see the benefits

---

Again, these scenarios only tell what the possible increase would be for BES & BRHS. and of course the possibility of a new school in Beaverlodge. What are the percentage numbers for HRS

---

None

---

Again, convenience for parents that live in Beaverlodge, when they are picking them up in the day or after sports practice.

---

Students would have an established relationship with community

---

Less bussing of children

---

Less bussing of children

---



---

Similar to Scenario 1. Less travel time for students on school buses. And kids could remain in their community for schools.

---

Students remain in home community/ less busing. Students able to use/ access local facilities.

---

no bussing for beaverlodge students

---

Beaverlodge students are, again, given more options instead of being forced to attend HRS. Seems more reasonable than scenario 1

---

No benefit

---

Less beneficial

---

My children don't have to bus to and from Hythe.

---

Less of a bus ride, although some students enjoy it, as they have never ridden a bus before.

---

Not sure

---

Beaverlodge students will be able to attend school in their community. More options to be involved in their community. More opportunity to be involved in school sports or other after school programs. After school transportation is a big deal.

---

Students will get to stay in their communities. More students can participate in after school programs and teams as they do not have to find rides to and from another town. Our BES schools have the room to accommodate this scenario.

---

Keeping our students in their home towns and not having to be bussed to other schools.

---

Program money for beaverlodge schools

---

Nothing

---

Beaverlodge students remain in their home community

---

Schools in BL better utilized, students attend school closer to their communities

---

Best option, Beaverlodge resident, kids remain closer to home.

---

Better age split for integration into BRHS

---

The grade 8 kids aren't aligning with grade 12

---

Less busing. Fostering local connection that exist at BES. Having easier access to BRHS and Beaverlodge amenities.

---

Junior high would be offered in Beaverlodge by the public school system. This would curb the continuous decline in students moving to St Mary to attain junior high education in Beaverlodge. I also like the division of grades between BES and BRHS.

---

Beaverlodge kids remain in Beaverlodge all through school

---

Grades 7 and 8 stay with younger kids longer allowed to be kids

---

Same as previously answered

---

Keeps children in their community and off the busy hiway.

---

More even utilization of both BES and BRHS. Once again no longer a need to bus students to and from Hythe,

---

---

Most current schools in Alberta are 9-12

---

Beaverlodge would stop whining about having to bus their children 13 minutes to Hythe, and beaverlodge would stop whining about having their children have to go to school with Hythe and surrounding community children

---

There are no real benefits to this scenario either

---

Beaverlodge students stay in Beaverlodge- allows for growth within the community and extra circular activities

---

Utilization in both Beaverlodge schools increases. Mentally and emotionally, this makes more sense than scenario 1.

---

More enrolment in BL

---

Again no benefits with this scenario. We need to think of the children. Having these communities seperated will also cause tension and kids will create unheathy relationships.

---

Children can remain in the same school longer, less time travelling, improved sports programs, less travel for options, swimming and many other extra curricular, local growth for the community the children reside in, grade 9-12 enlarged enrollment for the HS. Less bussing overall, much safer. Higher enrollment for the BES school providing more funding for an amazing school and staff , save transportation costs, bring more sports options to BES

---

- The kids do not have to ride the bus to Hythe. Even though this is NOT a huge factor for me, this is one of the main reasons we are losing students to the Catholic school board, therefore we are losing funding at our own school.  
- This could help keep kids in the public school system, which in turn could increase funding. This is not a BEAVERLODGE vs. HYTHE situation at all. We need to consider the kids. With the loss of funding, how are the current kids being affected that attend BES. Grade 5 students NEED one teacher and not five. Had I known things like this before I registered my children in the public school, I would have put WAY MORE thought into sending the kids the St. Mary's for the fact that the kids would have had more stability with their teachers. Kids this age need ONE teacher. Also, with the loss of funding - how are my kids that are younger being affected? This is a main concern for me! - Some parents do not drive. Therefore we are keeping the kids in their community and they would be able to participate in afterschool sports (which is something they would not be able to do if they still had to ride the bus to Hythe) - Keeps grade 8 students out of highschool. - It should help with student retention in the public school system. Too many people are leaving the public system and going to the catholic system

---

Safety and less busing

---

More money for Beaverlodge schools

---

So unsafe to mix young children and near adults. How are we we keep the gr.9 children from being groomed by the young adults graduates in the school?

---

Less transport cost and time in bus

---

The grade 8s aren't in the mix with older kids, but you are still putting immature kids with adult kids

---

Same issues as listed in the previous scenario questions.

---

Keeping our students in Beaverlodge. Reduced bus times.

---

Establishing a solid Junior High environment for the kids coming up before they head off into high school is so important to help them figure themselves out and explore educational and extracurricular interests before being mixed in with older students. This also allows Junior High students to mentor and help with younger students, which helps them to stay more grounded and in less of a rush to "grow up" around older students. The Grade 7-9

---

---

kids have been removed from their community and so bringing them back to somewhere they know and feel comfortable and already have connections with staff will allow the transition to be smoother for them.

---

Less hours on the bus. Less bussing time means lower risk on an increasingly unsafe stretch of HWY 43, lower operating costs, more efficient use of students time then riding busses unnecessarily. Improved utilization of schools.

---

I believe this option is best suited for the infrastructure already existing. And also allowing grade 8 students to remain in a more age appropriate environment.

---

Allowing Beaverlodge Students to Remain Safely in their Community with no Stress of Moving Schools. That stretch of Highway is Single Lane and So Busy Now.

---

Both options good in that students wouldn't have to bus to hythe, adding grade 9 to high school gives them a better chance to acclimatize faster to high school, as going from 9-10 is a huge change and challenge for many students

---

There are so many benefits to this scenario. The children with special needs stay somewhere familiar. Students are not disrupted. Our children are not on a bus, they don't miss out on extra time that the other kids get while ours is spent on a bus. It is easier for parents for extracurricular activity. Now parents are doing the coaching of extracurricular in Hythe and that is almost impossible if we are having to travel. it gives families more time together, allows parents for more time in the school and volunteering. The children get to participate in all the community events and make use of all the recreation, swimming, curling, Christmas Craze the art walk. The only kids who did not participate in these events attended HRS.

---

It benefits the privileged

---

NA

---

This allows for student numbers to increase in both schools that are under utilized and also let's Junior High students from both towns stay in their own communities

---

Grade 7, 8 and 9 Country kids in BES would have a shorter bus ride and town kids wouldn't need to be bussed

---

Student 7-9 won't have the adjustment to new area in their most critical years of learning. Plus less time of their day traveling. Safety traveling on highway to and from Beaverlodge and Hythe would be eliminated. Remember the day getting a call that my son's bus was in accident and flipped on side. Various students had injuries. The bus driver had to be rescued from seat.

---

Hopefully later start to school day as students in BES would not have to transfer to Hythe . More opportunity to have after school sports and different activities Utilize the space is a the schools in BeaverLodge . Less Traffic on that busy highway. This is always been a safety concern I have had Making it more attractive for people that are planning on sending their children to school to know they can attend from K to 12 in Beaverlodge.

---

More utilization of Beaverlodge schools Students living in the town should utilize facility in town if space is available Not having students travelling on a busy hiway

---

student should be educated within the community in which they reside if they are able to. Would be beneficial for families.

---

None

---

Keeping blodge students in blodge. Growth in the school.

---

---

I believe having a 4 year high school experience for my 3 children and others would be beneficial as an already standard high school experience across BC, Ontario, and Southern AB. This scenario has been proven successful

---

Beaverlodge students should stay in their community for education. Consistency and familiar surroundings. Being able to be apart of the community in which they reside.

---

Keeping majority of students in their home community for education.

---

If I was forced to dig through and find a benefit for this would be perhaps, smaller class sizes, and shorter transportation duration for a few students.

---

Easier to program. Keep kids in community. Keep extra curricular local for more kids to access. Less time on bussing.

---

Beaverlodge of course gains everything while Hythe gains nothing. Not in a positive way..... Besverlodge parents complain about transportation costs and taking the bus. And driving the highway multiple times a day. I commute every day. And it's fine. Why should Beaverlodge kids not have to be on the bus, but Hythe kids will? How is that any different? Everyone will have to take the bus to commute to high school anyways. Parents choose where to live, if they had serious concerns about their kid taking the bus so often, they could relocate. They have concerns about their kids extra curricular activities and the busing schedule as well. Most of the sports practises start later afternoon or early evening, after their children are already home. There is no benefit here.

---

None

---

Local students going hoping to school locally, and better distribution of students

---

Grade 7&8 in the beaverlodge elementary and grade 9 in the high school

---

Kids can continue educational growth in their own community.

---

you stay in beaverlodge

---

No benefits

---

Students are kept in their community Sports teams would be easily formed for both junior and high school

---

Kids won't be on highway to Hythe, 2 schools attended rather than 3, same town as home.

---

Nope

---

Kids in their community

---

More convenient for BES

---

Less student bussing, high school format aligned with most others in the province as a 9-12, athletic development of grade 9s

---

Educating students in their hometown and being close to family and familiar surroundings.

---

More convenient for us.

---

Student safety Parent access More opportunity for beaverlodge parents to engage Shorter commute for teachers traveling from beaverlodge or grande prairie

---

Beaverlodge students stay in Beaverlodge. Better utilization of facilities. A more even split of the Beaverlodge students between the facilities. Town kids don't need to take the bus.

---

None
Even out classrooms and less travel for local students
Some students would have less bus travel times.
THERE IS NO WAY 14 YEAR OLDS SHOULD BE IN THE SAME SCHOOL AS 17 YEAR OLDS. There is no plan in place to protect these students. There is no physical segregation of the two age groups and they BRHS students are seen frequently smoking, vaping and drinking in their vehicles at lunch.
Students remain in their community. The cost of busing reduced. Students may choose the public school instead of the catholic
NONE
Students will be educated K-12 in the community in which they reside.
Student safety and continuity in their home community.
Best case scenario.
I still struggle to see the benefit.
No bussing to Hythe, the kids get to stay in a comfortable setting, they get to stay with their friends and siblings in homes
None
Kids stay in town, now worry if there is bad weather
Very comfortable with k-8 and 9-12 Most schools in our area seems to be going this way More kids will be able to enjoy school sports
The transition to junior high is less overwhelming if the children stay in their own communities
This is a fantastic scenario. The kids don't have to transition to a new unfamiliar environment. There is no unnecessary busing. Kids get to enjoy remaining in their community and enjoying the amenities here eg) swimming pool, weight room, curling rink, skating rink.. events such as art walks Christmas Craze parades helping at the senior home.
I would rather go with Scenario 4
Absolutely 0 benefits to this scenario.
grade 8 may be a bit too mature for an elementary school scenario
Less busing time for Beaverlodge students
I like that we will be keeping the younger groups k-8 under one school. This is more of a traditional route for school systems. BES utilization increases. Plus then a push for a new education facility in Beaverlodge K-8 would hopefully not be far behind.
I think it's better to keep the young students in the elementary longer than having them go to highschool
Helps with pushing for new k-8 school in Beaverlodge. Have had 3 generations of my family go through that old school!

---

Beaverlodge students would stay in their community, easier for kids to participate in extra curricular, no bussing to Hythe, students would be able to attend events in their community, longer recess which is essential.

---

Beaverlodge students stay in their community the entire time. Less students going to St.Mary's so their children can stay in their community. Parents would then have 2 options of schooling and still keep their children in Beaverlodge. Grade 8 students would not be with older students but would still get to stay in their community.

---

A lot of schools are configured with K-8 in the city, and seems to work well with extra curricular activities and maturity level.

---

Save on bussing cost, money used for other things. Better utilization of two schools. Safety, less time with children on busy highway. Easier transition to high school for grade nine.

---

Building a Positive Future for Peace Wapiti Schools in Beaverlodge

---

Keeping our students off the highways for bussing. Also easier for after school activities.

---

It would optimize growth back into our school. It would keep our students and families within our community. It would decrease bussing therefore decreasing risk on the single lane highway.

---

Kids would not spend hours a day on a bud travelling to hythe.

---

Kids stay in beaverlodge school sports could potentially be easier divided in grade levels

---

Savings

---

Less bussing, more access to extra curricular in beaverlodge. Better utilization of space at the high school

---

None

---

Reduced funding needs for transportation of students to and from Hythe at the start of the school day as well as for options classes taken at the high school during the day.

---

A longer time in the same community. Shorter bus rides. Coming into BRHS at the same time as the HRS kids.

---

None

---

Keeping Beaverlodge Students in their home community and less transitioning. Less busing would keep the children safer, with less risk on the highway and time spent on the bus. In addition, having Students educated in their home community allows parents and family members to be more available to support the school structure and play an intricate role in their development and daily lives.

---

My kids don't have to be bused between the two communities for a couple years

---

Less overwhelming for HRS

---

The Beaverlodge students get to stay within their own community to get their education. More parents would be willing to put their kids in after school sports as it is within their own community and do not have to drive for 20 mins to get to the school. More use out of our own recreational facilities, like the swimming pool and hockey arena. Enrollment/Student numbers would increase as we are not loosing them to the Catholic School. We would be able to get more funding for specialized programming. Less travel time on buses and more safe as they are not on a major highway as much.

---

Educational continuity Saves the sinking ship-our current public school is losing students at an ALARMING RATE to the catholic school system. Safety-reduced unnecessary bussing of students Access to services, facilities and

---

---

community events Close proximity to hospital Easier for parents to attend children's events and pick them up from extracurricular More students mean more funding and programming for our local schools

---

Keeping our children in their home community, continuity in education, access to facilities such as hospital and pool, better for parents to collect child from school, attend school events and get them to and from extracurricular, saves school board/tax payers money by reducing busing costs and using existing infrastructure to facilitate. Saves our sinking elementary school as parents flock to st.marys to avoid this ridiculous "current situation"

---

---

Less busing

---

This is what we want! Lots of benefits: no busing to Hythe, kids can enjoy the amazing amenities and community events Beaverlodge has to offer and be in their home community

---

Beaverlodge kids don't have to bus to Hythe, and the age gap at the high school isn't as big

---

Less bussing, more freedoms for 9s and more convenient for parents

---

There would be less risk of a bus crash not as much bus money it would also be very more convenient for parents in bevelodge

---

No benifits

---

Makes way more sense. St Mary's wouldn't be so over full. Students who live directly in Beaverlodge would not have to stand out side the highschool/Hythe school waiting for a transfer bus. Students who live directly in Beaverlodge could walk home as soon as school is over. They wouldn't have to risk getting into an accident on the bus ride to and from Hythe.

---

Keeps kids in community. Grade levels are complimentary. Less travel on the already busy high way. Less bus time more time spent in school. More community involvement. More opportunities for extra curricular

---

Less bussing, keeping students off the highways.

---

None

---

K-8 seems safer

---

Reducing dangers of bussing on busy highway. Better utilization of existing school.

---

Increase in enrolment to both schools at a comfortable level. This is more inline with the traditional early/middle years school and high school. Grade 8's have opportunities to be leaders at the school. Grade 9's have the opportunity to be more prepared for the transition to traditional high school courses.

---

No benefits

---

9-12 BRHS would seem to work as most schools in GP are now 9-12 and they have the room . BES k-8 I think the only beneficial is the room HRS - still would suffer if the other two ways go through so I don't see how Hythe benefits

---

BES enrolment up, their teachers stay there

---

I think the best option for the students involved. No bussing to Hythe. Less stress on parents who may have to travel to pick kids up from sports and other activities.

---

Children would stay in community and would be able to take part in more school sports

---

Busing cost and safety concerns eliminated. Children's time spent on a bus lowered significantly.
This would benefit the community in a positive way. Children able to attend all their school years in the community they grew up in is beneficial for them and they should have this opportunity
Same as previous scenario. None.
This scenario is the most preferable- allowing students to develop within their home communities, without the safety concern of daily bussing, on extremely busy single lane highways; participation in community events unique to each community; allow better utilization of schools, giving voice for parents/students in each community, allowing parents to be more involved within their community schools instead of travelling to other communities to volunteer or pick up their kids for commitments ( appointments etc)
This is the ideal situation.
Kids stay in same community
No benefits as now the grade 7 and 8 students are situated around much younger children thus making their personalities seem younger than they are
I see no benefits
More students spread out evenly throughout the schools!
It would boost student attendance, maybe a new school would be built. It would boost staff numbers as well.
Kids still get to be in the environment they use to for a little longer. Less pressure I feel.
None.
Less transportation
Less travel
Less road traffic
Same as previous answer
Saves busing Beaverlodge kids to Hythe
I'd prefer my children stay in beaverlodge and not be on the highway back and forth to hythe unnecessarily. I think this longer stay at the elementary would be beneficial for them. This will make after school activities and family life easier as we are based out of beaverlodge
Kids still close to home and do not need to be on the dangerous roads
I love everything about this scenario
I prefer that grade 9 age students go into the high school due to they are a little more mature than grade 8's (compared to if grade 8 joined the high school). No transport to Hythe :-)
No benefits
My child remaining in my community I chose to live and work in for their entire education.
I think this scenario works the best for the schools, teachers and parents. Our community is wonderful! I'd hate to lose families b/c of our school situation (I've heard of some already that are moving back to the city). Covid has shown us all that socialization and sports are needed for our children's mental health. Giving our Jr high kids back



---

the opportunity to play those extra curricular activities without having to have a parent pick them up is more beneficial then we know!

---

I feel grade 9-12 is the most appropriate for the age groups. BES k- 8 is the best option I feel for the kids. Having to be bussed further to Hythe seems ridiculous to me when they already spend way too much time on the bus as it is. It would be more beneficial to all the kids to be able to stay in their own community to go to school from k- 12 and shouldn't that be the main concern for our children!

---

Keeps Beaverlodge kids in Beaverlodge which it seems the younger (new to town) parents want.

---

Less travel. Siblings with each other.

---

My child wouldn't need to be on the highway on a bus to Hythe but would still remain in a safer environment with kids more age appropriate.

---

My answer would remain the same as scenario 1.

---

The students stay in the community and are able to have access to community support (swimming lessons, skating, etc) as well as school programs.

---

Beaverlodge students get to stay in Beaverlodge, less costs in bussing, aligns more closely with other similar schools in the district

---

More students for Beaverlodge, less bussing for some

---

Benefits: Students are remaining in their community and with their siblings in the same area. This will be easier for parents to accommodate drop off/pick up for daily attendance to classes, extracurriculars, and would promote more parent involvement within in the school as their kids are housed and taught within the community. Students would not have to spend hours commuting on a bus which is some cases travel multiple times on the highway between Hythe and Beaverlodge. Students could be more involved with the community and enjoy the infrastructure that Beaverlodge has to offer. The students would be closer to the high school and this would allow for easier transitions from junior high to high school as the high school could facilitate more cooperation with the elementary and junior high for activities, student mentorship, and orientations.

---

No benefits

---

Students stay in their own community

---

Kids stay in our community. More access for kids to sports High school is utilized creating more classes to benefit the kids

---

N/a

---

Again, less time spent on bussing.

---

Same benefits as I stated before, my kids stay in the community and don't spend so much time on the bus.

---

None

---

None

---

Grades 7 & 8 can comfortably be a part of a K-6 school.

---

Keeps Beaverlodge children in Beaverlodge. Keeps grade 8s away from grades 9-12 at BRHS

---

---

Not busing students down a busy highway. School day could start later. Maybe more parents will leave students in PW school system instead of moving them to St Mary's because they don't want to send them to Hythe.

---

All my children in the same community.

---

Beaverlodge students remain in Beaverlodge

---

Kids would get to remain in Beaverlodge safe from the Highway. Peace Wapiti could stay competitive in attracting Students in Beaverlodge from K-12 and stop losing to St.Mary's.

---

Keeping kids off busses and closer to home areas. Utilize facilities available in the community

---

No benefit

---

No busing and kids stay in Beaverlodge

---

Keep things the way they are, works out for everyone. Look how good the high school is, because of the schools before it. Not sure why people don't want they kids to get a good education with a great bunch of kids and teachers.

---

No benefit

---

Cost savings time saver and safety

---

Children wouldn't have to travel to neighbouring community to go to school

---

Time and cost savings, safer environment no traveling

---

None

---

I see no benefit to this scenario.

---

No extra busing needed

---

I don't believe there are benefits

---

N/a

---

Keeping Beaverlodge junior high students in Beaverlodge

---

More like other neighboring school systems

---

Younger kids staying together longer.

---

Keeps grade 8's out of BRHS and may be the best long term solution.

---

Age groups make more sense

---

Keeping grade 8 in the elementary school for another year would be beneficial I feel before sending them to highschool

---

More utilization of Beaverlodge schools that have the supporting population. High school is only adding grade 9 and the students would be less intimidated than grade 8 students. More consistent with schools province/nation wide.

---

Our grades 5 and 6 would be involved in Jr high sports, our children would be kept in our community where they are able to participate in community activities. Beneficial for parents from Beaverlodge to be able to pick up from after school activities, my children will not be travelling twice a day on a very busy highway. Less time on buses means more time in the mornings.

---

---

Less travel for Beaverlodge students, would remain in their own community. Probably more funding due to increased numbers

---

Children stay in beaverlodge

---

Less time spent bussing

---

Grade 8 would not have to go to the high school, making some parents more comfortable.

---

Students do not need to travel the highway on a bus on the winter Students stay in the same school for longer Grade 8 is not in the high school yet. This the the best choice.

---

Grade 8 with younger kids rather than older kids

---

Kids wouldn't have to bus to beaverlodge

---

Local kids staying at local schools and with age appropriate groups

---

All students stay in the community, high school only shifts by one grade, aligning with GP and other areas

---

If grade 8 has to merge, I'd rather it be in an elementary school. Grade 9's with support can still flourish in a high school.

---

Beaverlodge students remain in Beaverlodge.

---

none

---

Keeping the kids in the community and surrounded with familiarity

---

Love the idea of adding more grades to both schools. All grades seem to be adequately placed dependant on maturity.

---

The possibility of building a bigger school for our K-8 students. And only having to go to 2 different schools. And no bussing out to Hythe.

---

Beaverlodge gets what they want

---

Maybe some bussing for the students that live right in beaverlodge. Would love to see the ratio of students who do not take a bus at all. How many students are walking distance to the school? I imagine there is a significant rural enhancement.

---

Already aligned with Catholic school. Better transition for students

---

Beaverlodge kids can stay in beaverlodge. My three kids can all stay in the same town for schooling

---

Less busing for rural BES students

---

Unnecessarily bussing students on a busy highway.

---

I would prefer the scenario #1 but this option would work as well

---

Our children stay in their own community which is best for their social and emotional development. Our kids are easily accessible for family if they should need them for any reason through out the day. Our kids can participate in important events in their own community through out the year. Our kids don't have to deal with the stress, discomfort and inconvenience of riding the bus. Junior high aged kids can have their lunch break with their parents and grandparents in Beaverlodge.

---

My kids can stay in Beaverlodge!

---

---

Keep Beaverlodge grades 7-9 children in Beaverlodge. Utilizes space in Beaverlodge schools, allowing for more potential to qualify for a new build in the future.

---

There are no benefits

---

I feel grade 8 kids are a little young to be in with high school kids

---

none

---

No benefit

---

Very few true benefits. Convenience for Beaverlodge parents and less bussing are superficial benefits. Hythe families would still need to drive to get their high school children for extra-curricular, etc. Living in a rural community naturally entails driving. Many, many parents drive for several hours to hockey tournaments every weekend. Driving and convenience are not meaningful reasons to make such a big change. We all drive and are inconvenienced living in rural areas. I don't see any true benefits for our young people.

---

Beaverlodge kids are no longer bussed and our schools will be full rather than losing students to St Marys

---

No benefits either. The cost could be utilized else where to benefit students

---

None for remaining hythe students

---

This allows for students to mature one more year in BES and means our children are not traveling a very busy highway to Hythe in bad road conditions

---

Beaverlodge students would be in their own community, parents would have easy access to their children, i.e. picking up their child for an appointment or in the instance of an emergency, students would have more access to after school activities and most importantly they would not be subjected to the danger of being transported out of their community.

---

Keeps BL and HY kids separate

---

No Benefits to do this as neither Beaverlodge school has the Classroom capability to fit more grades and would cause over crowding.

---

Decreased bussing, increased time spent with children local to beaverlodge, longer to build relationships with students. Less changes for the students, utilization of facilities,

---

None

---

I do not see a benefit as it reduces the ability of each school to offer services

---

None

---

I think most high schools should be 4 years (9,10,11,12) and no bussing kids stay in Beaverlodge

---

BES K-8. BRHS 9-12. HRS k-9

---

None

---

No one benefit

---

having pur kids stay in beaverlodge not bussed to hythe

---

Kids stay closer to parents and where they live. Stay off the highway to travel

---

Again, I don't see many benefits with this

---

---

This is the ideal situation, the one we are striving for. Primarily the focus should be the safety of our children. This scenario would keep our kids in town. Currently they are bused 15km down a single lane highway that is incredibly busy, especially with semi trucks and industrial traffic. A friend told me she drove to Hythe to pickup her son from basketball practice and she met 51 vehicles, 21 of which were semi trucks. What parent would want their child on this highway if there isn't a need for it? Like really think about that. I realize this school district has hundreds of kids on buses and I know that is unavoidable given the large rural area it encompasses but if this can at all be avoided, shouldn't it be? That highway also cannot be compared to what it was 50 years ago when this started. The other benefits of having BES K-8 are endless. -they can be involved in community events -they can use community facilities (swimming pool, fitness center, cultural center) that are not available in Hythe -participating in extra-curricular activities is much easier, the kids can often just walk home -bussing costs would decrease -less time on the bus is beneficial to any child -junior high students could walk to home ec/shop classes (that take place at the highschool) rather than being bussed back to Beaverlodge from them (again cutting down on bus costs) -no CSW's would be easier for working parents as they wouldn't have to arrange childcare on those Fridays -leadership development and confidence building without the transition to a new school at the age of 12 -remaining involved in their home community during 3 very formative years of their youth -Grade 9 at the high school would allow for Junior Teams for sports As you can tell I am all for my kids staying in Beaverlodge.

---

Beaverlodge students stay in their own community which I feel is extremely important.

---

I believe this is the best scenario! I went to a k-8 then 9-12 for high school and it was a good combination for age grouping. The Beaverlodge kids will have much more time and more opportunity and both the public schools will be utilized at a higher capacity, it will also help with the over crowding at the catholic school. This gives our kids more opportunity for employment, sports and other extra curricular activity. It helps the kids and parents for sickness as well (2 working parents and kid is sick) in Beaverlodge kid could walk home if parent isn't available. Also, hospital access. If a parent has a child with an illness (diabetes, asthma etc.) or a severe allergy they feel better knowing they are close to a hospital.

---

Grade 8 with more age appropriate peers.

---

Give kids a couple extra year before heading to high school, while staying within the community and not having to travel on the hiway to a neighboring town for school

---

Aligns with most other high schools in the province being 9-12; athletic development; keep Beaverlodge kids in town for events, eliminate extra bussing....

---

Remain in community, better distribution of resources

---

Savings on bussing

---

This is a more simple solution and keeps the majority of children connected with their peers throughout the learning process in a consistent environment.

---

Students educated in their own community.

---

Schools and staff would be better utilized in both Beaverlodge schools. Relationships with school staff and peers could continue to grow. Students would have less time on buses and parents would not have to worry about their children travelling on a busy hiway. Parents and guardians could get to their children quicker if needed.

---

Kids grouped better, not as much of an age spread.

---

No traveling on the roads, family and parents closer in case of emergencies at school, more options for these kids to be apart of their local events happening in beaverlodge.

---

---

The optimization of the BES school space, increased funding to this school because of the population able to stay in the school longer, more stability for children not having to move schools, safer transportation ex less time on bus and not on highway to Hythe 2x a day. Less beaverlodge children transferring from public school to Catholic because of wanting to stay in beaverlodge and not go to hythe.

---

Best way to utilize the buildings and more comfortable with grade 8s at BES

---

Bringing local students back to Beaverlodge to lessen bus time, and utilize more facilities in the community.  
Increase utilization / therefore funding of school facilities in the community

---

Keeps all the kids off the highways, less travel for parents from the beaverlodge area to get to the school so ideally keeping less of us on the hwy also. Keeps the kids in our community. Less expense for bussing. I absolutely hate that my child has to travel hwy43 in the mornings and afternoons which are both busy times of the day. It is unnecessary and can be dangerous. I have kept my kids home because of this on bad weather days. School can start and end at the same time which also means bussing could be worked out for country kids at a more timely and affordable way. Less school time missed for medical appts and such because they would be going to school in the town they live in.

---

everything

---

I feel that there would still be no benefits.

---

There are no advantages to separating the students and diminishing the supports and options that a larger junior high in Hythe allows.

---

Students get to be apart of their community for thier entire school career. Students and parents have less driving on the roads in the winter. Studies have shown that academics go up when students are not moved from their comfortable surroundings. The constant stories over the years of the Hythe and Horse Lake battles at school against the beaverlodge kids is not very welcoming. Many students dread the fact they have to go to Hythe. The amount of students I know that go to St. Mary's because they don't want to send their kids to Hythe is too many.

---

Many high schools are 9-12, grade 9 have high school options, eliminate Hythe busing.

---

Keeping our children in our own community, safety of not travelling the busy highway, shorter bus ride for our rural students.

---

Students are able to stay in their home community. Parents are able to allocate more time to their children when they are in Beaverlodge.

---

No bussing for Jr High. More appropriate transition in age

---

BES would experience high enrolment, students wouldn't need to be bussed.

---

No benefits

---

Keeping our Beaverlodge kids in their community

---

None for my family

---

No benefit.

---

In my opinion this would be the best scenario for our students and our community. The elementary school would benefit from having Junior High Role models. It supports the study that was done years ago and it would support

---

---

the two Peace Wapiti schools in Beaverlodge. All of the r Easton's that I have mentioned in the prior question would also be relevant in this scenario.

---

Students not travelling on busy highway, shorter day, less transportation costs. More time for activity outside school.

---

Grade 8's on elementary school makes more sense.

---

Same as last Question higher numbers in one area can recieve better funding. And not having 13-15 yr olds in high school is better

---

Eventual upgrade to the elementary school which is probably much needed anyway.

---

Less busing, more teachers employed at BES

---

This is the ideal outcome for our students. They will be in the community that the majority live in that has more access to facilities such as a recreation center, hospitals and community events. They will have continuity in their education. They will have more time in there day when they don't have to bus to another community. Giving them appropriate break and rest times. They will have better access to extra curricular as many parents work and live in Beaverlodge making it easier to attend school events as well as after school events in Grande prairie as beaverlodge is a closer proximity.

---

Beaverlodge students can complete their education in their home town. PWPSD can remain competative in attracting and retaining student population by offering junior high in Beaverlodge.

---

All Beaverlodge students would be in their own community instead of being needlessly transported to another community. Also, public school students would be able to attend public school instead of being enrolled elsewhere in Beaverlodge.

---

This is the best realignment. I don't think kids in gr 8 should be in a high school. 9-12 is great! Keep the kids in Beaverlodge

---

Keep Beaverlodge students in Beaverlodge. Less bussing. Better Beaverlodge school usage.

---

I feel Beaverlodge Students would benefit from continuing their education within their own Community surrounded by the environment and support they are used to. Keep them off of that very Busy Highway.

---

## What are the drawbacks of this scenario?

---

None, the space is available at BES. Only additional cost that would be needed is cost for teacher resources, student resources

---

None

---

Lower program options

---

Students are still in the same school as elementary and I think when they move into grade 7 and a different school it is more of a moving on to the next chapter in life kinda deal.

---

---

The biggest drawback is that none of the 7-9 students would receive the best education possible because they would be split into 3 schools instead of all in one as they are now!!!! Loss of funding, programs, Friendships, teachers. Leaving HRS way under utilized

---

The BES gym roof is to low for jr high sports.

---

None

---

None

---

Segregation and promotion of racism. Racism is a true factor in this push, and to say otherwise is a lie. Fewer options classes. The possibility of Jr High teachers teaching four core, it is very hard to find teachers who want to teach 4 core at that level. Fewer sporting opportunities. Smaller friend base, leaving those whose friendships don't come easy to, left for even longer before they find their people. Loss of bussing grants. And continuing to lose students to St Marys for other reasons, while also destroying HRS, for the sake of convenience and racism.

---

There are no drawbacks to this scenario, if you look at the above scenario numbers, it shows HRS will have a higher enrollment number than Beaverlodge Elementary School does now AFTER our students come back to Beaverlodge. PWPSD needs to understand that it's not about one school/town versus another; it should be what keeps all 3 schools open and operating! Beaverlodge Elementary is losing students, teachers, funding and programs. If you don't give them back their kids, you'll lose BES and then Hythe and then BRHS. You decide! How much is the Board willing to lose? The Parents in Beaverlodge are no longer letting PWPSD decide what is best for our children; we are taking back the choice as PWPSD isn't our ONLY choice anymore!

---

None.

---

No drawbacks

---

I believe they miss out on a lot of extra curricular activities by having to be bussed to Hythe. The stats have not changes for the last 19 years and it is time to bring our children home.

---

School sports teams would be very limited and can you imagine trying to run teams out of that little gym. Separation of Jr. High aged students will affect their quality of education. Beaverlodge Grade 9's would be at an unfair advantage of already being in a school with semesters. Take all Grade 9's or none.

---

The elementary kids are exposed to older jr high kid antics

---

None only positive

---

Grade 9s don't belong in the high schools. Grade 7 & 8s don't belong in BES (too old to be in same building as prek students etc)

---

None! Best case scenario! Please listen.

---

Cannot think of any.

---

Same as before

---

HRS would have less students

---

Once again the gym is to small for Jr. High sports. The bathrooms are too small. What about proper elementary/Jr. High separation?

---

School culture will have to be restabished at each school. Tons of change for everyone.

---

Same as what I just said for #1 scenario

---



None
None
There are no backdraws to the scenario. This is long over due.
Loss of attendance at Hythe. Why not work on specializing programs offered rather than moving numbers? St Mary has more enrollment because they have enhanced their curriculum with music and art. BES should offer some specialty options (drama, music, or partner with BACS or the town for more sports involved or technical opportunities for students. Try thinking more creatively rather than just shoving students from one “box” to another). There are reasons families are choosing to put their kids in the catholic school. Make what us being offered at BES more desirable and the numbers will increase. All that will happen by shifting grades is that Hythe will end up losing teachers, services and they will face the same challenges as BES. Hythe is set up for junior high and does a decent job. Let’s try to make BES more versatile instead of just adding more grades to increase enrollment
Less prigramming
Sports could be eliminated
The negative impact on Hythe students/ opportunities would be devastating for the community. BES could use a new school upgrade no matter what the outcome. Grade 9 in the high school changes the dynamics. The current system provides a good transition in junior high going to high school in grade 10. The maturity between grade 9 and 10 is significant.
Hrs is too small to offer specialized services to the neediest community. Bes is ill equipped with space and facility for junior high. Not big enough numbers for quality options or ke or sports teams.
None
None.
Exactly the same as those in Scenario one except this is additional stress on existing amenities such as gym space and bathrooms. Millions of TAXPAYER dollars were spent on HRS, which just opened in February of 2009. Moving these students would leave HRS less than half full. Students from all communities that currently come together would face a decrease in options and less flexibility in programming. Students from multiple communities (Hythe, Beaverlodge, HLFN, and Kelly Lake) currently develop community relationships aside from those they would experience in their own community, but still have access to those more limited experiences within their own communities. This crucial developmental experience would be lost. Students currently experience constructive intercultural relationships that help to empower them to have empathy and respect for others. These crucial life skills would not be experienced. Students from all these communities would lose the opportunity to know and bond with one another, thus creating a smoother, less stressful transition to High School. This leaves too small of a population in HRS and is unfair to the other three communities involved.
-jr high challenges (behaviour, academics, substances) will now be present at BES. -potential loss of CSW Fridays. This will lead to increased absences by both students and teachers as they will now have to schedule ALL appointments during the school days. The already existent issue of finding available sub teachers will be exacerbated. -There will be an impact in Space at BES which will have to be overcome through creative planning.
Less competitive school sports Less diversity

---

As previously explained , the drawbacks are many. Lack of maturity to be mixing with high school level. Fewer opportunities to make sports teams. Less specialized programming. Teachers at Elementary are not necessarily specialized in specific subject areas, like most of the junior high level teachers, so this could affect quality of education.

---

I would worry about grade 9 being influenced by older children. Hopefully this would be thought out and addressed.

---

None

---

reducing population at HRS. Will they still be viable? What will the kids from horse Lake do?

---

- it would affect utilization of HRS -there would be a greater separation among the 2 communities, although the Wembley-Beaverlodge relationship seems to be fine without the added connection to Beaverlodge in the junior high years

---

Students not developmentally ready for Highschool have to go early. HRS loses students. Beaverlodge students miss out on the diversity and I do genius representation that Hythe provides.

---

None

---

HRHS will not have as great a utilization but can be cut back as it was originally a K-6 anyway.

---

I see none

---

Unsure

---

Loss of space at BES Lack of maturity gains by continuing to be in an elementary setting at BES Loss of programming and specialized staff at HRS

---

None.

---

Grade nines being put in a semester school year. As a past BRHS student 1. I would not want to be attending school with grade 8/9 2. There is not enough room for that many more students.

---

One of the best things about jr high in Hythe is introducing new people into the students live. And then doing it again in Grade 10 with St Mary's going there. Plus grade 10 is the perfect start to high school and the bell schedule etc.

---

Not enough funding for proper learning.... younger crowds will be influenced by older ones

---

None

---

Alienation

---

Children are not mature enough to be with the older group

---

Hythe is still in serious risk of closing and rural students will spend even more time on the bus

---

Please excuse my wording ... Having the students move to Hythe for Jr high allows the "weird" students the opportunity to meet other "weird" students. It gives them a sense of belonging and a purpose. It gives them a new start with new relationships. Grade 6 students are always looking forward to the move to Hythe. New teachers and friends is always exciting for them

---

Having immature grade 9 students mixing with older students is not only uncomfortable but ridiculous

---

BES school is outdated and needs improvements, people afraid or resistant to change.

---

---

I do not want my grade 9 daughter going to high school until she is more mature and hanging out with grade 12

---

Jr. High sports teams will be separated in beaverlodge public schools.

---

None for Beaverlodge Elementary and Parents of St. Mary's will also be pleased as they can't keep up with their growth and are experiencing very large class sizes. They just ordered 3 more portables for 2023-24.

---

There are no benefits, students from Hythe will be behind the curve in every aspect, they will have no opportunities for organized sports at school. Added taxes in Beaverlodge, there isn't space in the schools in beaverlodge to accommodate 3 new grades

---

There is a new school in Hythe that houses all the kids now. Why do renos or add cubicles in Beaverlodge now? Again, pulling numbers from the schools and benefiting nobody

---

Strains resources at all 3 schools. Potential of classes being too large in Beaverlodge. Breaks up the community spirit for Hythe, Horse Lake and Beaverlodge. Potential of losing HRS with too small enrolment.

---

It would leave Hythe in Wembley with their own grade nines

---

I believe it's too large of an age gap between k and 8

---

I still don't love the Grade 9s mingled with High School, but with low utilization at BRHS, separation could be maintained to some degree

---

Reduces enrollment in Hythe. It is unfortunate, but the bussing to Hythe for middle school makes zero sense to me, so I imagine it will happen eventually anyways. It affects our kids now, I want it to happen now. Ideally for next year as my oldest is in grade 6, but I doubt that will be able to happen.

---

"...lead to declining student numbers in HRS and fewer program options for both..." however, with the increase in students in BES more program funding will be available for them.

---

No Drawback to HRS, BES, BRHS, only benefets.

---

Same drawbacks, it doesn't make sense when there is a junior high made for them that is only 10 min away.

---

Gr. 9s are not mature enough to be with high school students. Teen pregnancy, sexual assault underage drinking and drug use will sky rocket.

---

No drawbacks

---

I don't see a drawback for my children, I want them to stay in the community where we live. I am disabled which adds extra complexity to our family, my kids currently go to BES and can walk to and from school. I hope there are no negative implications for HRS, I'm sure they want to keep their kids and their community as well.

---

No drawbacks

---

There are no drawbacks . It is the only option .

---

Reduced class size in both schools will cause reduced funding

---

None

---

Why in the world do any of the first two scenarios make sense. This area certainly does not need 3 jr high schools. I am certain that if there are declining numbers in the area the last thing needed is to add another jr high. Money would be better spent in other areas. BES still has portables that have heating and cooling issues along with no running water.

---

Maybe less option for Jar high students
Cramped BES school?
None
None for my family situation
peace wapiti losing there tax base
SMALLER SIZE CLASSES IN HRS
It's going backwards it's dividing and causing a issue that shouldn't be
No draw backs it helps out school in beaverlodge and brings more options and might bring more families to our town.
Adding too many kids to each school, causing overcrowding. There already is trouble getting teachers and classes will become too big with less one on one. Extracurricular activities will die off due to lack of teachers
I don't see any drawbacks
Lack of space, losing present programs having to combining to split classes. Don' t think it's a good idea for grade 9's with grade 10-12 students I,e age and maturity
None
None
I really don't see drawbacks, having kids in their own home community
There are too many to list. The cost for realignment would be considerable and unnecessary, since HRS is already equipped for JrHigh students. HRS usage would drop astronomically which is ridiculous considering the fact that it is basically a new building fully equipped for JrHigh students. The gym is big enough for several classes to use at one time, there are two fully functional science rooms, a makerspace room, a cooking room, plus so much more. The JrHigh program s successful at HRS. To decimate it would be irresponsible on many levels. Financially, educationally and to our students and communities. Plus, this scenario puts some of our most vulnerable students in a situation to lose more of their innocence by being in a high school setting. Many high school teachers have said they don't believe having JrHigh aged students in a high school setting is wise. They are too immature to manage successfully in this type of environment. Plus, the high school does not have the space for this many more students. The 'facts' being shared are not accurate. This scenario also creates more divisiveness between the communities. There have been long-standing rivalries that were healing and showing signs of reducing. This small group of vocal parents have reignited old hurts in the name of getting a new school for Beaverlodge. They are unwilling to work together for what is best for our children and their futures and are instead focused on what would be best for them in the short term. There is no willingness shown to work together for what is best for the young people in our communities. Demands are made with no regard for what is truly best long term. For example, losing over \$130 000 per year in bussing grants. This is a huge loss to the entire school district. Or, the amount of money lost to the district in doing upgrades in Beaverlodge which are completely unnecessary. Or, that one small group of vocal people are acting as though they represent all parents in the area. This is misleading, hurtful and damaging to the futures of our students. Especially considering the amount of false information they are sharing. Another drawback is limiting the community building and friendship building between communities. HRS fosters community connections and brings communities together. This has been done successfully for many years. This scenario will segregate communities, limit diversity and the friendships students from different areas build to help them

---

transition to high school. Many young people find the transition to high school difficult. This scenario will exacerbate those difficulties by limiting the connections students have to take with them to a new learning environment with new stresses and pressures. This scenario is likely to negatively impact high school completion rates especially for our most vulnerable/marginalized young people. With reduced resources and funding for JrHigh students in all sites the educational quality will suffer. Specialized teachers will be few to none. EA support will be split or eliminated. Funding for K&E classes and option classes will be reduced to the point of making them unlikely in the way they are currently delivered. For this reason, more families are likely to move their students to St Mary or Grande Prairie. What would be the reason to stay? Would families willingly choose a diluted education for their children when other options are so convenient? If a school has relatively little to offer because resources and funding are being split between sites what are the incentives to draw families to have their children go there? Is a 12 minute bus ride really the issue? Does that justify damaging and possibly destroying a public system that is working well considering the dropping population in Beaverlodge? Plus, this scenario does not consider why BES is losing students. It does not facilitate BES doing any work to address the underlying problems causing families to go elsewhere. What if this scenario does not fix the problem? Then HRS will be decimated, BES will still have issues and PWPSD will lose even more students. This scenario doesn't look at any underlying reasons for BES losing students. It is based on unsubstantiated assumptions that are not proven to be true. It is costly, divisive and will potentially cause more problems for the local communities, their schools and PWPSD. Not to mention the sentiments from the Horse Lake community about scenario one and two promoting the segregation of indigenous people. In a time of Truth and Reconciliation is that truly the best path forward for Peace Wapiti? Or should we be looking at a scenarios that promote diversity, compassion, community building, working together and pooling our resources to offer the best education possible for our smaller, rural communities? If these proposed scenarios do not have the desired outcomes, has anyone considered what to do next? Is there a plan in place for what to do to rebuild all of the destruction inherent in scenario one and two? These scenarios are short-sighted and destructive. They are costly and not in the best interest of our children and their futures. They are not in the best interest of Truth and Reconciliation. They are not in the best interest of staff and their mental health. They are not in the best interest of the mental health of our students and their success. These scenarios are short sighted and destructive to all of the growth our local education system has promoted and worked so hard for over the years. They do not hold BES accountable at all for the reduced numbers they are seeing. The BES school council is not welcoming or willing to work together. They promote what they want at the exclusion of everyone else and at the exclusion of what is best for all of our children. Currently school usage at BRHS, BES and HRS are comparable and healthy. Scenario one and two artificially bump up the numbers at BRHS and BES at the extreme detriment to HRS. There is no consideration in these scenarios regarding how to support HRS. None. Basically these scenarios are flipping BES' problems onto HRS with no regard for the students, staff or communities. How is this justified? These scenarios also promote giving credence to a vocal minority. If this is established as how the PWPSD board operates, where will it end? Will public funds be used to quiet vocal groups who have questionable motives? How is this serving our students in the best possible way? How is it justified to spend so much public money to appease a small group of parents who are rallying everyone they know, in communities that aren't even involved, in a quest that has questionable efficacy? Will school board members be able to justify this and have an effective strategy to address future vocal minorities who have political agendas, once a precedent has been set? This doesn't even take into account the racial dimension underlying the push by the BES school council. It is so disappointing to consider that in 2023 this is where we are. Scenarios one and two promote division and segregation instead of diversity and community building. This is extremely disturbing on many levels. I could go on and on about the drawbacks of scenarios one and two. So could many of the people who live in these areas. Many are unwilling to get involved in something that has become so hurtful and negative. They are happy with our current education system and don't want it to change. They also don't want to get involved in an ugly situation.

---

---

There are no drawbacks.

---

Zero

---

BES not being geared properly towards grade 8 students, outgrowing the space

---

None from my perspective

---

Again, separating the two communities for junior high is detrimental to both communities. Neither community would be able to make sports teams that would be competitive with other schools due to the fact that there will barely be enough students to make a team let alone have tryouts. Student will not have the opportunity to meet students from the other community. Lifelong friendships have started in Hythe when all junior high students combine. This would not be possible. Having smaller class sizes and smaller amounts of same grade classes does not allow for the opportunity to have specialized teachers or a large array of options.

---

Having students travel to another community , when there is room in beaverlodge is a no brainer. There are no drawbacks with this scenario.

---

None

---

No draw backs , only positive outcomes.

---

Is there space? I don't think there is a drawback. It works for most

---

The grade 8 and 9 curriculum would have to be semesters which is not conducive to best practice for children that young. Sports teams in hythe and beaverlodge would be less competitive. Less exposure to diversity. BES is not set up to be a junior high like HRS is. Less opportunities for socialization- many kids do not find peer connections until they get to grade 7 at HRS. PWPSD would lose their transportation for the Beaverlodge to Hythe transfer route, moving teachers to other schools has a huge impact on them and their families, specialized programs would not be available to smaller school populations, to name a few.

---

Same as previous. Smaller classes mean less sports an availability and extra curricular activities. Less socialization amongst all kids.

---

None

---

Lack of distinct K&E classes Lack of diversity. Fewer peer and social choices for students in a time where connections and friends are crucial. School culture of the Hythe jr high is inclusive and caring and BES is different and not as responsive or willing to do hours outside of 8-4. The gym is too small for junior high sports. The facility is not designed with teenagers in mind. Parking is atrocious now, much less with more staff. BES' refusal to open their doors for more than 5 min before the morning bell creates unsafe situations for students along that road and adding dozens more drop-offs will only increase safety concerns for all. It will be a step backwards for the important process of reconciliation that PWPSD strives for and create further division between Indigenous students and Beaverlodge kids when they get to high school. It will erode programming for both junior highs.

---

Besides waiting for a new school to be built, this would be an optimal scenario

---

Gr 9's should not have to deal with the issues that the high school is having. I am worried they will feel segregated because their programming is so different then Gr 10-12. I also worry that they high school will not be able to provide quality gym and option classes because those rooms will be overbooked.

---

Less students in each school = less funding. It will affect every student negatively from both areas.

---

As noted above

---

NONE
None
I think it will come down to teachers and parents having same goal
Decrease of students in hythe
none
I do not feel there is a drawback.
The time it would take for portables.
st Mary's still would not send their kids to high school until grade 10.
I don't see any draw backs
None...kids should be able to go to school where they live
Growth issues in schools by reaching carrying capacity.
None that I can see
None that I can see
No drawbacks in either scenario 1/2
No drawbacks
Potential of loss of jobs at HRS
Grade nine students may feel too young to be in high school.
Reduces resources for all students at HRS, BES, and BRHS. You would need to repeat the Jr high resources three times instead of having one enriched program. BES Grade 9s will be a minority in a school and may be exposed to behaviours that they are not emotionally mature enough to deal with - drugs, sex, smoking, drinking etc. BRHS will have to have two time tables, two bell systems, two of everything to accomodate a very small percentage of their population. Where are the extra classrooms coming from?
Not giving accurate reflection of what happens to HRS if/when you remove the Beaverlodge students. You are trying to increase numbers in 1 school while decreasing the numbers in another so in turn just shifting the problem elsewhere. Also planning to create additional spaces if needed at extra costs to the division with modulars and eventually a new school. How long before the school division needs to decrease the utilization rates among all the surrounding feeder schools when BRHS becomes a 9-12, they will certainly not do this only for BES students as it would be a detriment to all the students and not make sense fiscally. As well it would decrease the programming available to students if they did not bring them together earlier.
None
Junior high students should not be at BRHS. THEY are not mature enough and the JH curriculum is not designed for the semestered system.
None
None

No drawbacks
I don't see any notable drawbacks.
None
Grade 9, is better than grade 8 and the best alternative being offered
Significant loss of students in Hythe. Less chance for diversity and cultural learning for Beaverlodge students. Less opportunity for sports teams because of decreased class sizes
None...
Future enrollment if BL was to increase in population
Will the BES school open its doors to accept students before 8:30 am, beings there are older students "hanging" out with the younger students? Are the current teachers willing to work outside their comfort zone and teach both elementary and junior high subjects? Will the current teachers beable to remain elementary level teachers and those who are more suited for Junior high level math and science be hired?
None
Over populated schools. Utilizing space means using gyms for classrooms. I would NOT want my kids in an over crowded school
I don't see any drawbacks. It would be a very positive change for our children.
Limits the room for future growth at BES and length of time to wait to implement changes
None
BES building has some issues when adding 7 and 8's ie: gym, washrooms, entrances
Crowded schools.
HES loses students.
None
Hythe could potentially lose more enrollment then what is projected, losing specialized teachers. The numbers are not accurate, because BES would not only gain the Beaverlodge kids, but the county kids as well, which will affect Hythe enrollment more. BES cannot function as a full school. If more kids are enrolled, we lose space for our kids with Special Needs. They will then become an overlooked student population, where their free space is then condensed to a small classroom, and there is anywhere from 2 to 4 kids in there at one time. Hythe has a new school, BES doesn't need one, they want one. What is the purpose of taking the Jr High kids from Hythe, and then under utilizing the existing building? Buses being "unsafe" on the highway is an excuse. The last Peace Wapiti bus accident was over 5 years ago. More buses end up in the ditches on the country roads. And it is unfair to state that the buses arent safe for BES kids, but Hythe kids are expected to use them for High School???? Very biased information here. If the schools separate, we are looking at potential causes of racism. There is no inclusion, no diversity teaching at BES. Cliques are well established by Grade 6, so if there are new students, it is harder to fit into an established group of friends. Horse Lake will take it very personally if kids are pulled from Hythe, and another community will lose support.
Same as previous response, losing out on a good junior high school, loss of feeder school CTS programming, immature students with 18/19 year olds, less competitive junior sports teams.



---

There's already a jr high in beaverlodge

---

None

---

None.

---

I don't foresee any major drawbacks. There would be an increased pressure on facilities at the high school, such as grade 9 teams needing the use the gym.

---

Having grade 9 students in the high school

---

None

---

None

---

There may be less interaction between students before high school but in small communities like ours most kids know each other from common friends, different clubs and sports teams.

---

I don't think there is any.

---

There won't be enough children to keep HRS going

---

Sports opportunities

---

---

HRS-Remains K-9: why not send the HRS grade 9s to the high school as well? Its better for sports and grade 9s are less likely to be bullies if they're the youngest in the school. There's older kids around that can tell them to smarten up.

---

Waste of time and money

---

Again, BES students do not want to be in that school past grade 6. They are ready to move on. Not enough of a student population for decent sports teams, not enough funding for special programs. BES does not have a kitchen to provide hot lunches like they do in HRS. Students would have to play in half the gym for phys Ed classes because there would be too many students to schedule each day. HRS staff do not want to go to BES to teach! It would leave HRS junior high with a very small student population, which affects sports teams, friendships, teaching staff, to name a few. Grade 9 students should be with jr high students, not high school students.

---

Again I am not comfortable sending my grade 9 kids into high school at a younger age. I don't like the increased opportunity for adult activities. Also the kindergarten wing of the BES school is already not ideal as it doesn't even have running water. I would be concerned about the realities of adding the current level of programs for all grades with the space available. Also separating the Hythe and BL Jr high students means smaller peer groups and more segregation of cultures. I believe this change has the potential to increase racism in communities where there is already a problem. It removes exposure to the indigenous culture and history. As well as the relationships between the students that help them understand each other and see each other as people not stereo types. I really value the larger peer group the kids have being combined for Jr high. My kids have attended smaller schools and they have flourished in the larger peer groups. You can seek out friends with similar interests and there are multiple team sports to choose what you enjoy. I fear that being taken away and them having a much less fulfilling school experience.

---

K-8 could have drawbacks with future overcrowding; larger span of age group

---

Smaller classes in Hythe. Job loss

---

---

May lose condensed school week.

---

Grade 8's should be in the highschool

---

Nobody cares about Hythes numbers. Hythe having junior high and beaverlodge having the high school has always been a great way to bring the communities together and for the kids to get to know one another. Why should beaverlodge be the only local town to school it's children from k-12

---

No drawbacks that I can think of.

---

None

---

Only drawback would be the grade 9's going to highschool. I don't think they are fully ready to be there. It would be ideal for PWSD to provide a school in Beaverlodge where they can host K-9. If they can handle junior kinder I'm sure they could figure out a place for the grade 9's. Portables are an easy solution.

---

Not enough room in the school. Gr 9 is still junior high needs to stay in a junior high school. Keep it as it junior high at Hythe with beaverlodge why try and change it.

---

Less funding, less kids, detrimental to the kids.

---

I don't know any for Beaverlodge

---

I don't even think there are drawbacks to this scenario for any school! HRS will still retain their Jr. High students. The School Board will retain the funds they are currently using on transportation (hopefully able to allocate it back to all 3 schools for extracurricular activities and sports), and all the students at all schools will have more TIME learning, socializing and developing skills. Time is the most valuable asset here.

---

I believe that it takes away from the experiences of all kids to go to school with kids from different backgrounds and to have different friendships and experiences. If this option is allowed it would decrease the enrolment at the HRS and could in the future result in the chance of considering the closure of the HRS which would in turn cause kids in the west county to have to be bused even further to go to school in Beaverlodge. With limited room for growth and the possible need for portables could be more costly to the system verses the current use of the HRS and busing cost.

---

Same as last reply, Don't change something that has worked for years.

---

how would it work with only BLG grade 9s being there, and no other community grade 9 classes.

---

If we had space to keep the elementary students and Jr high students separate I could understand. But I am not comfortable with my kids walking the same halls as jr high students. I would move my children to St.Marys school if this were the case. Jr high age children have a strong influence on elementary age children. The same way that highschoolers can influence jr highs. We need to keep appropriate age groups for the safety and development of all our children.

---

I don't see any

---

Grade 9 are in with older kids & can pick up more things

---

Hythe would lose half of their JH population resulting in loss of teachers, loss of school extracurricular (sport teams), loss of programming (K&E, Inclusive Education, etc) and loss of social growth and development for students. There is no space in the BES school so PWPSD would need to spend money to build or modify while HRS would have empty space. This is not fiscally responsible of PWPSD and would impact the quality of education all students receive as well as eliminates opportunities for kids to participate in sports and make new friends. This scenario also segregates Horse Lake First Nation students further for the regional demographic and goes against the Truth and

---

---

Reconciliation Calls to Action. There is no room for these students in BES. BES students would lose the same advantages as the Hythe and Horse Lake First Nation students by reducing their population. This is a no win scenario for students.

---

Kids need to stay within their peer groups and having grade 9 in brhs is extremely concerning.

---

None.

---

I see zero drawbacks

---

No drawbacks. Hythe can keep their kids in their community and Beaverlodge will get to have the same experience, which means less transitions for Beaverlodge students.

---

None

---

There are no drawbacks to students. The education system needs to do what is best for ALL kids. Not what is best for Hythe students at the expense of Beaverlodge students.

---

I honestly can't see any drawbacks to Scenario 2 for anybody involved.

---

Can the Elementary school Gymnasium accommodate the extra classes for Phys Ed? Grade 8 Students would not be a good influence on Elementary students. Beaverlodge Elementary is a crumbling decrepit building. There are already not enough operational washrooms. Is it right to put more strain on an already dilapidated building?

---

BES is an older building with not much room for expansion. This could cause problems of over crowding or lack of infrastructure for all teachers and students.

---

Space may be limited if enrolment begins to go back to the "normal" numbers like before the K-9 Catholic school was built.

---

Hythe is a small community and maybe a little bigger school would have more options

---

None

---

As mentioned above having junior high kids in grade 8 mixing with the smaller, easily influenced, elementary aged children.

---

It isn't necessary.

---

Grade 9s will be out of place. Bullied.

---

After school activities, in school activities for Junior High students in Hythe

---

Cost, overcrowding, operating 2 grade 9 locations when only one is required between these two small communities, segregating students

---

Still grade 9 students attending a regional school that is only regional for 10-12 but selectively accommodating only one group of grade 9 students. Again, students placed there would be fine, but would be better socially and maturely in a middle school setting. The drawbacks from cutting HRS back to 43% capacity is detrimental to their junior high both for the students and teachers.

---

Nothing I can think of

---

None

---

None

---

Can't think of any.
None
none that i can see
HRS numbers suffer. BES might become crowded.
Present schools and bussing are working and have been for years
Less beneficial than first option
Crowding in school.
Dividing of resources. Jr high students not having access to specialized teachers Divided communities Weaker programming and less options Less opportunity for competitive extra curriculum activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• same as previous answer and ...</li> <li>• BL students integrated into a system a year before HRS students creates division</li> <li>• most high school teachers have expressed a discomfort with mixing Div3&amp;4 students in one school</li> <li>• having 14/15 yr olds in school w 18 yr olds is a large age gap developmentally. Socially, younger students could be introduced to less desirable behaviours (smoking, partying, sexual activity). Yes this doesn't happen "at school" but the influence is there.</li> <li>• decrease in sports teams for Hythe</li> <li>• racism reaffirmed with less interaction w FN students could lead to heightened tensions within the HS</li> </ul>
I think the grade 8s should be going into the high school and start seeing that responsibility.
none
none
Students will not be offered as good of an education as can be offered at a regional school
Oversized classrooms. Need to build new modules - waste of money when there is room at Hythe school. Loss of money for programming for Hythe school
Reduces resources at both schools. Loss of specialized teachers. Oversized classes. Underfunded school in Hythe. Loss of social opportunities. Less competitive sports teams.
Hythe school not sufficiently utilized which will result in clawed back funding and programming. Hythe students start grade 10 in Beaverlodge unfamiliar with their peers
None, this is my favorite option
None
What happens to Hythe in the long run? They will lose funding to programming. They also have some of the best teachers around . Where do they go, are contracts lost ? Hythe has provided Greta academic and outside resources that all students are benefitting from. Where do these resources go? Do all schools lose out or does it go to Beaverlodge?
I don't feel there would be any
I think the realignment will be an adjustment but have faith that the change will be beneficial for all.
None.

---

HRS loses a large chunk of student population and therefore the ability to offer more specialized programs and classes.

---

None

---

Same as previously answered

---

Not enough students for a B team in sports

---

I think this is a positive idea for now and in the future.

---

The possible use of portables at BES

---

Classes are already full in highschool, barely have enough classes and staff as is.

---

If Hythe loses out on funding/programming/budget because they don't have many students less teachers will be hired, less teachers attracted to Hythe as an attractive option, students lose out, etc

---

This scenario is still putting HRS in a situation where they are forced to downsize staffing and funding and the students remaining in HRS will unfortunately pay the price with less socialization, opportunity and support.

---

No draw backs

---

Hythe Utilization is affected.

---

Less enrolment/lower utilization of school expanded to accomodate. Hythe students would still require bussing for 3 yrs...not safe for beaverlodge students but fine for hythe students hmmm

---

lossing teachers, staff and students to other school divisions will happen. We will also loose programing and sports. This will also cost the district more money.

---

HRS sees a downsize in enrollment

---

I honestly do not feel like there are any drawbacks to this scenario. Why are we bussing students to Hythe to join a K-9 school if we can have our own K-8 school in Beaverlodge? If the kids were actually in a junior high school (strictly 7-9) then this would obviously be a different scenario. But there is no reason to send the kids to another K-9 school.

---

Less funding for Hythe Regional school

---

I very deeply believe it is a safety risk for near 18 year olds to be able to form relationships with 14 year olds, or God forbid younger children. Non core classes are often very mixed. There would be no way to guarantee the 14 year olds and 18 year olds are separated. We have to consider the chance of statutory rape charges on students who may not understand the consequences of engaging in sexual activity with a child younger than themselves.

---

Grade 8 too old for elem and too young HS

---

A lot, there wouldn't be enough kids for grade 9 teams. CTS would either have to be scrapped for other schools that feed into BRHS or scrapped for grade 9s. Scheduling with high school classes would be a problem.

---

Once again, same drawbacks.

---

Leaving the school with little room to grow.

---

There may be less specific options available in a elementary school layout etc. Space may become an issue, however, if this is already on the radar, then having the numbers can help speed up the process.

---

---

None noted.

---

I don't believe there are any draw backs.

---

I can't see any Draw Backs. I'm not sure how Peace Wapiti continues to justify bussing kids out of a Community that has Room for them.

---

I don't see any

---

it feels raced based Class based and prejudice It is mostly non-indigenous students in Beaverlodge to me it would only further the gap between communities And between indigenous and non-indigenous

---

The hythe school is too new to not be utilized. BES students won't have exposure to cultural diversity that hythe demographic can offer. Grade 9 shouldn't be in a highschool

---

None

---

Having much older kids with younger kids at BES

---

Nnone

---

No Drawback that I can see

---

none

---

2 small JH with less opportunities for all

---

I'm still not loving gr 9 students in a high school.

---

I don't see any drawbacks of this scenario.

---

The cost, overall for this when it is not ACTUALLY, remotely necessary is one of the main drawbacks.

---

None.

---

Hythe needs this student population to remain consistent. They have a working school in place, with a working enrollment. Less students equals less staffing needs, equals less time helping kids who actually need it. Beaverlodge, meanwhile, would have large classes in a small school. With limited resources. No after school programs. If parents were really concerned about after school programs, they would keep their kids in Hythe for junior high, where they can participate in basketball, volleyball, as well as make it in time for hockey practices later in the evening. I know this because my nephew does all of them.

---

Why mess with something that works?

---

Takes effort on many levels

---

None

---

Grade 8s might get frustrated in a little kid setting

---

brhs has to deal with grade 9

---

A Board decision of removing Beaverlodge students would leave Hythe Regional School with poor building utilization.

---

Sports at junior high level would not have grade 9s and may find competition difficult

---

None. My toddler can stay within 3 blocks of our home once she's enrolled and not be on the highway.

---

---

Again same feedback as previous

---

Hrs loses student's teachers and possibly programming c

---

Less teachers. Less opportunity for extracurricular teams. Less socialization between communities. Less specialized teachers and option classes. Teachers will be losing jobs.

---

Same responses to previous question

---

Negative impact on HRS

---

None in my opinion

---

None

---

None

---

I see no drawbacks

---

High school kids do not want to go to school with grade 9. All high school student have waited till grade 10 so can the rest of them. It will not help with attendance. Kids who don't come to school now, still won't if the school changes. That is not the problem

---

I think most rural communities have to make this change. So its just a set back that has been created with smaller families or less population due to the slim workforce in the area.

---

Utilization of HRS is very low compared to BES in this scenario. HRS was recently renovated to accommodate the educational needs of grades 7-9, the space should be used if it exists. Since the pandemic, students have more complex learning and social-emotional needs. Educating these students together allows us to use our resources more efficiently and to provide specialized programming and services that could not exist in either school because of a smaller student population and a lack of adequate funding. Knowledge and Employability classes would not exist in grades 8 & 9. Having so many junior high teachers allows HRS to have very specialized instructors teaching content that they have a lot of expertise in. Moving these teachers to three different schools could result in them having to teach something that is not in their area, decreasing the quality of education for all students. None of the schools would be able to offer nine different complementary classes. Separating grades 7-9 students into three different schools would create more sports teams, which requires more teachers to volunteer to coach or supervise them. Many of the teams at HRS are coached or supervised by teachers who don't teach grades 7-9. A larger school population also creates a more diverse student population which can encourage students to appreciate different perspectives and have a better understanding and respect for others. Students have a chance to develop more meaningful friendships when they spend their days with a variety of different students. It is so amazing to see that kid who had few friends in elementary meet new people in grade 7 that they can connect with. I am terrified when I think of sending my grade 8 daughter to high school for grade 9 next year. All that she would be robbed of for that final year of junior high, especially after the last few years living through a pandemic and all that she has already lost. I worry that she is not mature enough to attend BRHS and how she will be thrust into a world that will create pressures and problems that 14 year olds should not have to deal with. That concerns me the most. One of the things I have loved about being in a rural area is that our grade 9s are NOT at the high school. Let them be kids for one more year, they deserve that much.

---

There is nothing but drawbacks to this. Junior High should stay in Hythe where the teachers are specialized in their early teen development and learning.

---

The influence of the high school students on the grade 9's and assuring they are treated as grade 9's by staff.

---

Sports teams suffer, communities suffer and separate, grade 9 students with grade 12 students is not right
None, only beneficial.
NONE
Hythe loses kids and eventually will have their school shut down.
I cannot see any drawbacks of this
Having the division prolonged to grade 9 between Horse Lake/Hythe students and beaverlodge students will be detrimental to the way the students create and bond friendships in high school. The funding cuts due to the separation will disintegrate Hythes abilities to provide extracurricular activities and other important programs in the junior high years.
Don't see any
There are zero drawbacks in this scenario of keeping kids in their own communities
None. It would take time for adjustment but I believe both communities are able to handle this
I don't see any
Scenario 4
All students from Hythe, Beaverlodge and surrounding communities need to enter high school together. This creates a sense of community amongst all students entering a new journey together.
Lack of room for growth at elementary school
Option classes, Grade 7-9 Beaverlodge students attending HRS are exposed to Cree language courses and further cultural options. They may not have those choices in Beaverlodge. Beaverlodge attending HRS allows exposure to diversity. Having these students remaining in Beaverlodge will take away this exposure.
Again the risk of grade 9 students transitioning from a comfortable place in BES, moving to a highschool environment (That being said they have to move on at some point). 7-9 students do not get the experience of getting to know other students from their neighbours in Hythe.
I don't see any
None!
I don't see any drawbacks to this scenario
None
No significant drawbacks
None
None
It may take away some funding for hythe regional school.
None, this is the best outcome
I dont have any drawbacks
None



None
Smaller numbers equal less programming options. Not what is the best for all students
Loss of funding for HRS
It's fine the way it is. Hythe is a newer school so it makes sense to leave well enough alone. That way adding classrooms to beaverlodge isn't needed and you can save money.
I think that this is the BEST and most LOGICAL scenario for the majority.
N/A
I think this scenario is slightly more realistic than the 8-12, but still not ideal.
There are no drawbacks.
I don't see a drawback from having our students in their home community
None
Grade configurations with students entering Highschool at an even younger has many disadvantages and can be difficult for parents and teachers to manage situations that arise.
Unknown
Change can be difficult for some people
It's a big change for everything
No drawbacks
There is no set backs
I see no drawbacks
I see no draw backs
Hythe students are left behind
I do not see drawbacks of k-8 And 9-12
None
The lack of room for future growth is concerning; however, I feel that the community of Beaverlodge has a steady or somewhat declining population of late. There is lack of cultural diversity in either scenario. HRS will lack an important influx of students. There is little opportunity for students to meet new people and teachers. In either scenario 1 or 2, there is a huge risk of animosity and conflict between Hythe and Beaverlodge. Hythe has a lot to lose in either of these scenarios. Their enrollment decreases, their utilization decreases and that comes with a risk of jobs, funding, etc.
Keep it the same as it is now
BES -k-8 to big of an age span unless they could keep 6-8 in a separate wing teenagers don't want to hang out with Kindergarteners Once again my personal experience of an elementary school in the NT School was separated into two ends . One side was k-3 other side was 4-7 Had separate playgrounds ( not much on the older side ) but we didn't intermingle with each other and it worked well . BRHS 9-12 I don't see any drawbacks HRS K-9 Same

---

drawbacks if this goes through I don't think Hythe would have enough of an enrolment to keep the junior high going

---

Hythe loses teachers, the 7-9 peer group divided, their school sports teams would become nil due to numbers, communities become divided

---

None in my opinion.

---

None

---

None

---

Na

---

Once again, children miss the opportunity to socialize with kids in other communities until Grade 10. Combining all the rural communities and interacting with different people is an important experience.

---

There are no drawbacks to this scenario- this is the most common adopted model Of schools in Alberta

---

None

---

No drawbacks

---

Divide between junior high ages. Those at the elementary school will act younger as they are surrounded by young children. Smaller classes which would mean teachers are fired

---

Drawbacks are the same as I last mentioned. About limited friend or peer group exposure. I also feel that grade 9 students are too young to be in the same school as grade 12 kids

---

Nothing that i could think of

---

It will leave too many kids in an outdated school, class sizes are already at a max. Limited resources. Hythe may decline in attendance, where funds may be more needed. High school being grades 9 to 12 is fair.

---

I really don't feel there are any draw backs. This is the all around best scenario.

---

Not enough room in BES or BRHS, teachers will not have time to make a connection to students, teachers will become stressed with the amount of students they have in classes, can be hard to maintain everyone within the school.

---

Less socialization/ability to meet new people

---

None

---

Same as previous answer

---

Early exposure to high school, but grade 9 would be preferred to grade 8, in my opinion

---

Over population at the elementary school

---

Not thinking of the students and their success rate.

---

No drawbacks to this scenario in my household

---

I honestly don't think there are any, our community will only grow and benefit from our kids staying in it. Hythe is now part of the County and as such has more opportunity for funding. I'm under the understanding that our kids were moved to Hythe b/c the school was struggling; well now Beaverlodge schools are struggling, and the answer is

---

---

our kids! They're our children and deserve to go to school in the town they live in, the town their parents PAY TAX in. This change NEEDS to happen NOW!

---

Way more time on the bus than is necessary and taking them out of their own community where they feel safe and comfortable.

---

How to make junior high students have the junior high experience with limited division available in BES. Sharing bathrooms, gymnasium, class schedules would not be ideal.

---

None

---

I don't see any drawbacks

---

None that I can think of

---

Hythe loses student body.

---

Again, kids not mature enough to be going to high school that early. Let kids be kids.

---

I do not see any drawbacks in this scenario.

---

Isolation of communities Weaker educational programs

---

See previous comments!!

---

I can't see any.

---

N/a

---

Less socialization between different communities. Less opportunities of specialized teachers and classes due to less students. Grades 9s having the opportunity to be peer pressured into relationships with grade 12s.

---

I strongly feel there is a large divide between Beaverlodge, Hythe and Horselake adults and students. By extending the time Beaverlodge students do not have to directly interact with students from Hythe or Horselake is only going to increase that divide, and increase the lack of exposure to diversity among the students. I see this as becoming a very large issue when the students of HRS then transfer to BRHS causing racism and other biases, which will then lead to the potential of students dropping out because they are "different" and discriminated against.

---

I don't see any. I strongly support this scenario.

---

Crowding of schools in Beaverlodge meaning less ability to give proper attention and education to the students and lowering capacity of HRS students that have already set programs in place and proper classroom sizes which benefit the students...all facilities available

---

There will be a huge impact on school sports teams, funding for programs, and I think the maturity of grade 9 students is not adequate to release them into a high school like brhs.

---

Grade 9s with grades 10-12 is not ideal. Kids are at varying levels of growth and maturity, and grade 9s are not quite ready for high school.

---

Only concern at this point would be questioning which school is better between BES and BRHS for the grade 8 children.

---

Students joining high school aged kids sooner then necessary

---

None. Beaverlodge students would have access to all that Beaverlodge has to offer. BES would be able to attract local students and therefore gain funding for full time teachers and programming.

---

N/a
Too big of class sizes in Beaverlodge. Hythe gets less enrollment
None
Don't want the younger grades together, they mix better when they are younger. They all come from they're schools and mix together, when they graduate they continue on to the high school. It's wonderful for our communities.
Grade 7&8 will not get to experience a new environment with a new and diverse peer group. There will be less opportunities for extra curricular activities and quality educational experience. Grade 9 are not emotionally, physically and mentally ready for a high school environment and Beaverlodge high school is not large enough to accommodate a completely separate schedule for them
None
You are going to overcrowd a already aging school in Beaverlodge unnecessarily
I only see positives with this option
None
If you put Grade 9 in the highschool then it should be for every grade 9 student in the area, including Hythe and St Mary. You can't have one and not the others. Terrible idea too
As one of the considerations mentioned, the current BES is aging, the gym is not a large one, and being a approved for a new school will definitely not happen in a short time frame. I feel grade 7 and 8 students themselves, would NOT enjoy being in an "elementary" school setting.
None
Again these kids are being asked to grow into the next phase of their lives quicker than need be
There is a facility built to support the grade 8 students in Hythe. The BES gym is not big enough, it does not have the space or washrooms to accommodate junior high or option rooms. The smaller builder will not provide separation from elementary students. And, HRS provides a fresh start for students, there are new friends, diversity, and extra funding available due to the larger number
Some parents may not like grade 9's attending the high school
Needs too many teachers and under utilisation of a new Hythe school
NA
BES could be fairly crowded until a new school could be built.
Having Hythe at only 43% capacity seems like wasted resources considering the school was updated in the last 20 years. In my opinion, Grade 9s are still too young to mix with the high school kids at Beaverlodge High School. And not to mention they would be the only grade 9s at the high school. Wembley, Hythe, St Mary's would not be going to the Beaverlodge High School until the following year. Seems wasteful to put grade 9s in the High School when there's room in the Junior High in Hythe.
I don't see any

---

Loss of funding for Hythe. Students are likely to be amalgamated with K-6 kids and may not have the opportunity to mature and gain responsibility.

---

I don't have any.

---

Classroom size and staffing shortages

---

None- maybe bes will be crowded?

---

None

---

larger utilization of BES, however there could be adjustments made if needed to address this.

---

I see no drawbacks.

---

None

---

Maturity wise grades 7-9 should be separate. I think this would also underutilize hythe which is a great school with great teachers

---

As a Beaverlodge parent this feels like the best scenario. If there's an influx of younger students it could be possible to push the minutes of the BES space.

---

The old BES bldg is already old and decrepid and full to the brim. Black mold in the basement. If more grades are integrated to BES they need a new school. The deserve a new school!

---

None.

---

You will lose teachers because they will be expected to teach split classes, or classes that they are not comfortable teaching. Jr high students in Beaverlodge will be influenced by the older high school students. Costs to run all schools

---

Could eventually become crowded

---

I have no drawbacks, I fully support this idea and with Athena quickest timeline possible.

---

If we don't get approved for a bigger school, can BES even hold that many kids?

---

Hrs shrinks, limited opportunities for an already under served demographic

---

Same answer as before. If this option we're to be put forward I would recommend HRS students also be in grade 9 at BRHS like the schools in other areas of the Alberta education system.

---

No drawbcks

---

None

---

Staffing and costs of running 2 schools with grades 7 and 8, having half the kids go to high school in grade 9, and the Hythe kids not until grade 10 will set them up for a failure of getting along well.

---

I see no drawbacks.

---

Grade 8 might be too old to be at the elementary school

---

I don't see any.

---

Underutilization of Hythe school.

---

Too many kids in the Highschool

---

---

The kids will be segregated by community. Grade 9 should not be with High school

---

Reduced programming options for all students, especially those at HRS. Splitting resources and funding between three sites would dilute programming options for all students. The rich variety of option classes would be impossible to offer with reduced staffing resulting from fewer students. Specialized classes such as K&E would be less viable with fewer students, if they are possible at all. Fewer teachers, especially teachers with subject specializations, would reduce the level of instruction for all students. Expecting teachers to teach a variety of subject areas, rather than subject specialties is taxing and makes engaging programming more difficult. Reduced numbers could potentially create split-grade classes which makes achieving curricular objectives much more difficult. Reduced sports team options. Competetive sports teams at any site would be unlikely. Plus, having the trained coaching staff, or teacher supervisors, would be less likely. Without competetive sport skill development at formative ages, the likelihood of playing college or university sports is much less likely, as is the possibility of sports scholarships. Some students would choose to attend other schools in order to access these options. Slashing school usage at HRS to 43% is a terrible waste of infrastructure. HRS is set up to accommodate all regional JrHigh students. Dismantling this would be a huge waste of money. Socialing with students from all communities would be eliminated. The community building that occurs at HRS would be eliminated. Building compassion and acceptance of other cultures during formative years facilitates a smoother transition to high school. It also benefits high school completion. Eliminating this community building harms our students now and in their futures. Our young people will be exposed to many cultures in their lives and having a compassionate, accepting mindset will facilitate better relationships in work environments and in communities. Learning to accept others during formative years is a critical step to thriving in a diverse world. With reduced numbers and subsequent reduced funding, special performances, speakers, events, etc would be greatly reduced for all students. A plan like this would hurt HRS deeply. It would also hurt the community of Hythe. Is it justified to damage one school community so terribly when the current system is working very well?

---

None. K-8 and Grade 9-12 is very common.

---

Again I would transfer my kids into a different school or drive them to Hythe. This is a waste of money and kids will loose so much academic programming that is available in a bigger school.

---

Cut down funding options for smaller group of students

---

I see no downside to having Beaverlodge students in their own community!!

---

Keeping BL and HY kids separate exacerbates the community rivalry. Larger classes of mixed kids provides opportunity to build friendships of "like minds". Reduces likelihood of some kids being isolated by others in a small school.

---

Draw backs are not enough classroom space and over crowding. As a parent of a kid with a disability I wouldn't change a thing as currently my kid was able to move around the school with minimal trouble and adding more classes and grades would affect the ability for a disabled kid to be mobile and get around the school.

---

None this needs to happen,

---

Please, let our children have the same advantages as others in our area! Making friends is already so hard, let alone in Gr.10 with already established friend groups from BL. The mental health of our children from Hythe is in jeopardy if either Scenario 1 or 2 was to happen

---

I have answered this prior in Sanrio one

---

Reduction in services due to splitting dollars

---

---

Grade 8 and 9 shouldn't be with grades 10-12. As a parent and a teacher, I think this is a horribly poor idea

---

None

---

None

---

The two communities do not merge and intragate. Less funding for mental health support and classes and teenagers will be entering high school setting at a much younger age.

---

Again, you would be separating friend groups, spreading a small concentration of students into even smaller groups. These schools also do not have enough room to accommodate these scenarios.

---

I don't see any

---

Drawbacks of this would include students not being able to experience other cultures and make more friends. Other drawbacks would be having grade 8 students just down the street from the high school aged students. Potentially putting them at risk for challenges

---

This scenario means change and with change comes bumps in the road. I'm not saying the transition would be easy. I also know it wouldn't be supported by all parties involved so that can make it even more difficult. Just because something has always been done one way doesn't mean it's best or right. The biggest drawback would be the first few years and smoothing out the bumps along the way.

---

There are none.

---

absolutely NONE!!

---

Same as the previous senerio.

---

None.

---

None, in my opinion.

---

Drawback is that now HTS would be losing resources

---

Less/no option classes Less/no school sports Less/no extracurriculars Grade 8 and 9 with the high school kids and them possibly being a bad influence 8's and 9 are not as prepared for High school due to age. Grade 7 gives the kids a fresh start from teachers and other students they have been with for years. A new start can make a difference especially since Junior High teachers get to know the kids before reading notes from previous teachers,

---

I love this idea. It would be very beneficial to my family. No drawbacks noted.

---

I don't see any drawbacks to this scenario.

---

None, other than possibility of requiring more space in the two schools

---

None.

---

Ideal for keeping kids in town

---

N/A. Still slight concern with the jump from a "Elementary" school to "High" school

---

IMO, none. It should have happened years ago.

---

none

---

They are introduced with their peers and it is easier to form more friendships when they are younger so they would be losing out the chance to broaden their circles.

---

---

Separating the students to meet the needs of parents who do not want to diversify their children is wrong. I know this is a topic that is being avoided but it is a topic that one can hear being confirmed when people do not realize they can be overheard.

---

I see no Drawbacks

---

None

---

BES needs some updating to accommodate this age group.

---

Less kids in both school for Junior High means less opportunities for extra curricular activities.

---

BES may be stretched for space

---

HRS- a new school building would sit almost empty, less opportunity for extracurricular programs, less exposure to diverse cultures for Beaverlodge students, and less funding for specialized programming such as K&E, Cree, etc.

---

Grade 9s are not ready for a high school environment. They need another middle school year to grow and mature. The grade 7&8s would miss out on many extracurricular activities and there would not be nearly as many diverse learning opportunities. This scenario would put all parties at a great disadvantage.

---

I don't see any draw backs

---

Same as previous answer

---

Again grade 9 should be in a junior high setting. I feel like these kids aren't ready for the responsibility high school involves. They need that one more year with their peers of the same age to mature in a pace that is acceptable instead of throwing them into a high school setting where they are now introduced to so many things that they aren't ready for.

---

None

---

Bes has more students.

---

Having mixed entrys for Hythe and Beaverlodge is a huge social issue for students. Hythe utilization rates would be to low to keep school running and they would lose a lot of the programming they have now.

---

As long as the grade 7's and 8's are treated with more responsibility and are prepared for high school I don't any drawbacks. They would need a separate program for them, don't mix them in with the Elementry students.

---

I don't see a drawback. Increased student enrolment and attendance puts funding back in our public school. I am not Catholic and I am now considering a Catholic School to keep my child in my community.

---

None

---

Unfortunately, the Board (past and present) have not done their due diligence to work towards a replacement K-8 school for Beaverlodge. It's my hope they will step up and make a common sense decision for Scenario 2.

---

None

---

None

---

I do not see any drawbacks to Scenario 2

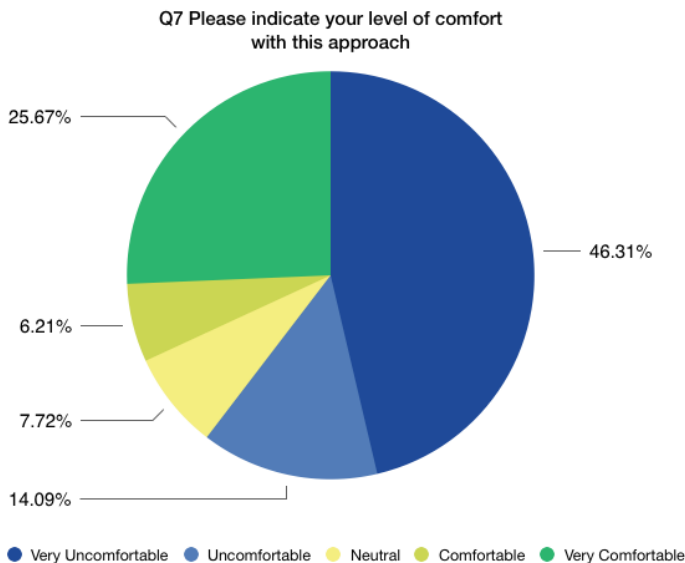
---



### Scenario 3: Leave school configuration as is

#### Please indicate your level of comfort with this approach.

In the **online survey**, respondents shared their overall comfort level with this scenario for junior high programming. It is important to note that the majority of survey respondents shared that they associate most with Beaverlodge, and also that voices in any engagement process expressing inequity will always be less than a majority. As such, it is important to understand that this quantitative data provides an incomplete story without the added context of participant stories, perspectives and experiences.



#### What are the benefits of this scenario?

None, BES would continue to lose students to the neighboring school. Continued decline in enrollment.
None
None
More kids to make up sports teams
Why fix something that is not broken!!! HRS is a thriving school that offers the best education possible to all 7-9 students as they have been doing for decades. This keeps all the 7-9's together where they can learn to embrace diversity, make new friends from other community's, specialized teachers, lots of programs and culture
There are none. They need more students to get more funding
None
Devastating for Beaverlodge Elementary and Beaverlodge Families.
This allows for ALL students to have access to the best educational experience possible. Students need to have an inclusive experience. HRS was built to accommodate the regional junior high school, and it is still a great school. I

---

understand revisiting this once a new school is needed, but I do not understand why this polarizing topic was allowed to actually become a thing when a junior school is not needed.

---

The are no benefits to leaving it the way it is, it's not working!

---

None.

---

Funding for Hythe

---

Funding to keep all the amazing educational, mental, physical and emotional programs that Hythe has to offer. New teachers and new friends is so important for many students.

---

It doesn't have any because there is already unrest about the two choices. A decision will need to be made

---

None

---

Maintain status quo

---

No benefits in this one.

---

HRS would lose students

---

Where I come from we always travelled to Jr. High in the next town and then travelled to the next town for High School. The opportunities and sense of family at HRS would be hard to beat. Grade 9's are emotionally not ready for high school!

---

no extra work involved

---

I guess everything stays the same and possibly Beaverlodge Elementary sees additionally decline in enrollment.

---

HRS is a wonderful school full of tons of possibilities for our children. I am originally from Hythe so I went through this school as a child and now I live on the Beaverlodge side so my children take the transfer bus to Hythe and they love it. My children play hockey so going to Hythe is not a big transition. They play hockey with all the kids from Hythe and these communities are 10 minutes apart, we are all intertwined in someway. These Beaverlodge kids not going to Hythe would be detrimental to HRS. HRS has specialized teachers, a larger gym to accommodate their student population, and the teachers there are absolutely amazing.

---

None

---

Not a good scenario for Beaverlodge students

---

Nothing

---

Junior high remains intact. This is a very valuable school age grouping and it provides an even playing field for entry to high school and remains comparable with the other schools in the area.

---

Utilizes existing infrastructure

---

Leave as is

---

Junior high remains together giving students a safe peer age group. BES can offer some unique classes or values to attempt to increase interest. Combined classes in elementary are acceptable and offer versatility in learning.

---

Communities remain the same. No one feels left out, bullied or taken advantage of.

---

No change. Easier for school division

---

Nothing.

---

Stability for Staff, Students and Communities! PW funding remains the same. All of the negatives from Scenarios 1 & 2 remain positives. Students from all communities that currently come together will continue to be provided with a good education, complete with flexible programming and options because student numbers will permit. Staffing remains stable in both schools (\*\*the population is decreasing and aging in Beaverlodge, so their student population may continue to decrease). Students from multiple communities (Hythe, Beaverlodge, HLFN, and Kelly Lake) will continue to develop community relationships aside from those they would experience in their own community, and will still have access to those more limited experiences within their own communities. Students will continue to experience constructive intercultural relationships that help to empower them to have empathy and respect for others. These life skills would be crucial for all students involved. Hythe, Beaverlodge, HLFN, and Kelly Lake students will all have the opportunity to bond with one another to help create a smoother, less stressful transition to high school.

Both BES and Hythe will remain status quo. Some people are comfortable with leaving things as they are.

This system is working, why are we trying to change it for the betterment of a select group of people, doesn't seem fair or make any sense at all. Excellent programming currently provided, including K&E. Opportunity to experience other cultures. Closed campus. Excellent extracurricular sports program. Junior High level students are able to create and nurture new and existing relationships.

No change and we need the current set up to be re visited.

None

Keeps HRS utilization up

-HRS maintains its utilization rate and funding

Students still get to experience Hythe's diversity. Students get to stay in their developmentally appropriate school divisions. HRS can keep its student population.

None

none

None

Continuation of growth between communities. Connection between jh students before they get to high-school  
Life long friendships Specialized subject teachers

Nothing

The system has been "working"

Allows interaction with other community's. Allow larger sports team and more opportunity for younger ages to have their own teams as well. BES and BRHS are too small of a building to be hosting the amount of students.

Introducing new people at the right times on student lives.

None. For 50 years we have bused our students out of home community.

Friendship and encouragement of multicultural interactions that go beyond school.(life)

We have a perfectly updated junior school in Hythe & transportation is normal. Transportation is more when you leave in the cities. Why would we spend more money updating the elementary school. it's a waste of tax payers dollars

---

Rural students have reasonable bus times

---

It's always worked, it will continue to always work. Students going to Hythe is not the only reason our numbers are declining. People move, Valhalla School takes some of our students, students are still choosing to online learn since the pandemic. St Mary's is taking some of our students, yes. But it's not only because they have Jr high in their school nuts because they are a young and fun staff. That school is very upbeat and always engaging their students in fun, silly activities.

---

Leaving everything as is a huge benefit to all concerned. This system has worked for decades and does not need to be "fixed".

---

Less work

---

Bringing our community's together and promoting working together

---

Government funds

---

This would be Devastating for Beaverlodge Elementary.

---

Allows student to build lasting relationships prior to being In High school. Organized school sports and no change in funding is a good thing

---

Its not broken so why change it?

---

Keeps community spirit thriving. Provides good social and cultural interaction for students. Stewardly use of financial resources.

---

Status quo is not a scenario, it is today's reality

---

None, catholic school gains 2 new students...

---

Hythe has a newer school with many facilities adapted to Junior High. This seems like a good idea. Student demographics are mixed, providing an open and dynamic school learning environment.

---

Significantly easier for educational system employees (not kids and parents though).

---

both BES and HRS will get better options as a larger body

---

Status Quo means no new planning, managing, or changing teaching assignment.

---

It just makes sense to leave as is. That is what the junior high is built for, the kids keep going to school together then high school together, why take them away now then Hythe gets bussed to beaverlodge anyways it goes both ways.

---

A balance of the kids being transferred to Beaverlodge for high school against the kids being transferred to Hythe for Jr High. Increases class size for Jr. High

---

All students will receive a high quality of education delivered by specialized teachers. Why change something that works so well. PWPSD needs to consider what is best for ALL students not just Beaverlodge students. I am very disappointed that this conflict continues to come up.

---

I don't see any benefits for my children or the community of Beaverlodge. Why would we send our children away from our community to go to school if we don't have to? I think there must be a benefit for HRS to continue this way, but I am unaware of what that would be

---

Keeps Beaverlodge kids at home

---

---

Each school would continue to receive the funding they are currently getting

---

No benefits for any one . The Hythe teachers can work in Beaverlodge . The majority of the teachers wont live in Hythe.

---

Status Quo. This system has worked for plus years. Hythe regional just got a facelift and is a marvelous school with many great teachers. Since the numbers in BES have been declining and the numbers at Beaverlodge St Mary's have been steadily increasing you may want to look at the reasons. The key reasoning for having jr high in Beaverlodge do not make much sense to me. For many many years students attending jr high in Hythe have been safe, the bus safety is a none issue as there have been next to 0 incidents. Travel time as a reason seems weird as most parents will drive there children many many miles for less things much less important than school. Extra curricular activities access is another bogus reason. If you want your children involved you get them involved no matter what. I had 3 children attend HRS. All three were involved in activities while both my husband andI worked full time. If you want it to work you make it work. Just like hockey.

---

Good for people who don't like change. Complacent.

---

None. No growth. No change.

---

None

---

best case scenario

---

NOTHING CHANGES

---

It works it's been proven to work why fix something that isn't broken

---

Beaverlodge takes a loss and so do our kids. No benefits for us My kids don't like hythe and don't want to go. They hear bad things about hythe

---

More one on one teaching, smaller class sizes, no overcrowding of schools until a new one can be built.Extracurricular activities stay abundant, Hythe still gets a good school population. Bus drivers keep their jobs

---

Students and staff get to meet and work with "new" faces, many feel they have a new start and have the opportunity to become young adults without the "baggage" they may have collected in elementary. It takes unique individuals to work with these young people- they are growing up and sometimes have to learn from consequences of their actions. The present junior high system is working - why fix something that's not broken OR rearrange something because a select few feel they are elitist and need special treatment. Often the loudest critics do the least to help facilitate change to help the present system. They would rather gripe and complain and stir up others to do their dirty work.

---

Nothing

---

None

---

None

---

I think the time has come for a change to have our own children in their own community so they don't feel the disconnect as they leave for 3 years to attend HRS, moving to another community can be very stressful for many

---

There are endless benefits to this scenario. Quality education for all. Specialized teachers, being able to offer classroom K&E classes (rather than having them embedded in regular classes with workbooks), having a variety of interesting option classes, etc. Having viable, competitive sports teams and trained coaches. The mental health of students and staff. Building friendships and connections across communities which will help facilitate the

---

transition to high school. Using public funds responsibly to support all community schools. Maintaining bussing grants. Supporting diversity and the calls to action regarding Truth and Reconciliation. Having many support staff to help our young people to be successful. Having the pooled funds and resources to offer the best possible education for all of our youth. Support given to all communities, not just one. PWPSD showing that they are impartial and support all communities, not just one. Maintaining viable usage numbers at all three schools instead of decimating one to support the others. Encourages our communities and schools to work together instead of being divisive. Allows for competitive JrHigh educational and athletic opportunities that draw students to our schools. Having diluted opportunities reduces the likelihood that parents will keep their children in our rural schools. Maintaining a strong JrHigh education system with pooled resources keeps our rural schools competitive with the bigger schools and what they can offer in Grande Prairie or at St Mary. It is evident that families are looking elsewhere with population numbers dropping in Beaverlodge. We need to work together to promote and strengthen rural education, not divide and dilute it unnecessarily. Keep the schools as they are, for the future of our young people.

There are no benefits to keeping it this way

Zero

Consistency? No real benefit, as a family we would choose other school options over the current BES/HRS/BRHS option

None from my perspective

Why fix what's not broke! Hythe and Beaverlodge have combined for junior high for many years. This is by far the best option. HRS provides an exceptional education to these junior high students. They are able to offer quality sports teams having both A and B teams for volleyball and basketball, allowing students to start to work on their skills as soon as they reach junior high. Giving them an opportunity to play with teammates that match their level. I have personally witnessed the positives of new students combining. Much needed new friendships have been formed allowing students to find "their person" and add to their friendship group.

NONE

No benefits for beaverlodge.

None for BES

No benefits

I know Hythe is an amazing school with amazing teachers

HRS would continue to offer specialized programs taught by expert teachers in those fields, sports teams would be more competitive, more opportunities for socializing, a new school would not sit empty, exposure to diversity, HRS would continue to thrive.

Kids all attend school together from grade 7-12 promoting long lasting social interaction and developing friendships. Larger grade sizes for more access to sports (ie not just one team but an A and B and even C team). The current system works great. Surely this model has to cost less than having two sets of grades 7-9.

Staffing does not need to change at HRS.

Don't have to find ways to make up \$500/student in funding loss when the funding already feels tight. Students can access K&E programming more effectively and non-K&E students gain experienced that cannot be offered in large classes. Sports teams at HRS offer A and B teams to accommodate all levels of athletic participation(competitive

---

teams and developmental teams). A richness of diversity and exposure to traditional Indigenous/Canadian experience occurs when students mix and accepting others respectfully is practiced when teachers and school culture can be more influential rather than waiting for high school when mindsets are more rigid. HRS offers far more after school or out of school experiences than BES.

---

Not really any, it is more convenient for beaverlodge parents to have their children in the same town.

---

None

---

This is the best situation for the students. They can continue to build relationships and have excellent programming that HRS provides.

---

Kids get to continue being educated with programming that meets their needs.

---

None. It's ass backwards and should never have been set up this way. Students in 7-9 in Hythe have a condensed day with limited breaks. Students within the BL catchment should not have to bus to Hythe

---

NONE. It is time for change

---

None

---

I don't see benefits to this especially for students neither the community

---

I see no benefit.

---

it's easy, don't have to change anything.

---

NONE

---

There is no benefit with this scenario, the kids should go to school in our community.

---

Students segmented by age and maturity. Introducing new people at the right times in their lives.

---

There aren't any benefits to this and after this discussion has happened and we have seen the way the teachers in Hythe act I will not send my children there. Something has got to be done because sending children to a community that has no medical (doctors are moving to Beaverlodge) and RCMP is dangerous and unnecessary. We have absolutely everything in our community that we need to keep Our kids here.

---

No point let kids go to school where they live

---

There are no benefits for our family in this scenario

---

I don't see any benefits

---

I don't have any benefits

---

It is the same

---

Kids can meet other students from different communities in grade 7

---

There aren't any benefits to sending Beaverlodge students to a neighbouring town instead of having them attend school in their own town.

---

This has worked for a long time. The decision to have a regional school was made for a reason, not based on emotions and social status. This exposes students to all times and creates an environment for ALL students to thrive, BES, HRS, and BRHS.

---

---

Brings students and communities together sooner allowing for students to make new friends, build and expand their friendships as that is the most important to children at this age; allow students to have a fresh start with new school, new teachers, new peers; access more specialized teachers and programs, more opportunities for sports & extra curricular activities

---

Having our children go to school in the community in which they live in is how it should be.

---

None for Beaverlodge Students.

---

None

---

None

---

None

---

There is none! I love BES

---

No benefits

---

I see very little benefit for the beaverlodge community. I guess the elementary kids would have the off Friday off

---

None...

---

None

---

Benefits bot Hythe and Beaverlodge. Schools remain with smaller class sizes, more one on one teaching etc. Way better scenario

---

There are no benefits for BL. Hythe retains it's K-9 which they should. Each community should school their kids in their community.

---

I don't see any.

---

Hythe status quo stays the same

---

no major changes for staffing, students, bussing

---

None

---

Hythe remains the only JR High option, classes remain the same, enrollment will even potentially increase. Specialized teachers remain in place, and can teach their assigned classes. Students are exposed to experiences, diversity, inclusion, new teachers and friends. Hythe remains a community to EVERYONE- there are kids busing from all over the place, its not just Hythe kids versus Beaverlodge. Hythe continues to serve multiple populations, and will do so. Hythe remains a community on its own as well, drawing in new families and kids to the area. Financial benefit as there won't be the costs of another school to build, transportation grants are still in place, other school grants are still applied for hot lunches for elementary students. Kids who are bullied with their peers during their BES years gain new friends out of a bigger student population, receive new teachers who are impartial to their early childhood school years, FRESH START FOR THOSE WHO DID NOT FIT IN.

---

Many, we have a strong junior high community, the students get a fresh start at two schools, we create stronger bonds between students of all of our communities (Hythe, Horselake and Beaverlodge) rather than rivalries. We keep our feederschool CTS programming. We have stronger junior sports teams.

---

None

---

N/A

---



It would be simple. Nothing changes.
Losing teachers at BES
None
No changes is easy solution
None
None
Already used to it
None we need to encourage people to come to our community and have public school available to everyone and stop busing to hythe
Teachers in jr. high are happy.
You would save sooooo much money!!
Benefits are all the drawbacks I listed previously. This is not the only reason BES is losing students. Many are going to St. Mary's in Beaverlodge over BES because of some of the decisions BES have made in recent years.
I enjoy the school experience my kids are currently offered. I believe they have access to great programs and extracurricular activities. I am satisfied with their bussing times and amount of time spent on the bus. I currently have two kids in Jr high that are very happy with their school experience and are thriving socially and academically. I attended the Hythe Jr high school when I was young and enjoyed my time there. I believe restructuring would definitely negatively impact my children. I have seen the move from elementary to Jr high make them feel more mature and excited at the new step and responsibility. While at the same time keeping them within their maturity level and common age group. Allowing them the time between little kid (elementary culture) and adult (high school) to grow and mature without exposure to the more risky adult behaviors while they are given time to learn how to make responsible decisions. They are treated more independently than elementary and not yet thrown into adult scenarios. The size of peer group allows for more development of individuality as there is more diversity in the group to find your place. And more teams available to find something you love to fill your time.
It is a broken system
Why fix something that isnt broken. Financially it makes sense
None
It's always been this way, so sometimes no change is a good thing, students don't seem to mind bussing to hythe
It's the way it's been for many many years. Every so often people try to change it and it doesn't happen. I think it has less to do with enrolment numbers for beaverlodge and more to do with them not wanting their kids to go to school with the natives.
This only benefits Hythe Regional by qualifying for more funding while BES is losing funding. Beaverlodge Kids Matter.
None
None

---

Good for the kids. Junior high age needs to stay together. They stay together for sports.

---

Good for the kids, they need to combine together as it has been. They are all going to end up in high school as it is, so they get use to each other, play sports together.

---

This would have no benefits, in fact, I believe it would be detrimental and PWPSD would loose more kids in general. The Community will not accept this. Parents are at their limit with this and will choose the other options such as home schooling, there is already plans for an information night on a charter school as another option.

---

I believe the current scenario is the best, it has been working great for 40 or more years. There has been no solid evidence shown that a change is needed or would save cost other than the group of Beaverlodge parents that seems to keep bringing up this issue for their sole gain for some underlining reason that i don't believe has been presented in their arguments.

---

No need to waste money and resources simply because Beaverlodge residents/parents are racist, and feel that they are better than people from Horselake. The current way has worked fine for years. If anything the Beaverlodge students more often than not are causing the issues. If BL don't like it that can go to ST. Marys

---

early access to their people- better options for all JH students in programming. great exposure to culture.

---

I believe HRS offers a unique experience. Many generations have showed our children thrive in a new environment. It's our first introduction to the world beyond our own community and helps prepare us and open our view of the future. It is good to leave your home town atleast once, even if it's just to the neighboring town for Jrhigh. Best friends can move away and well established friendships can fall apart. HRS offered me a second chance at making close friends. I met girls from all the surrounding towns and found the the nerdy weird girls just like myself from those towns. And if bussing was ever a problem for my children then I could always opt to put then into another well established school offering jrhigh, St.Marys. BES, HRS, and BRHS are all running at even capacities. BES may have lost quite a few families since st.marys reopened, but I think if we properly arranged 1 and 2 split classes, 3 & 4, 5 &6 that we could provide a better more stable education for our BES students.

---

None

---

There aren't any

---

Hythe just got a brand new school & why is it ok for all the students to bus to beaverlodge but Beaverlodge not have to bus. Same fight & it's getting old

---

HRS has provided an environment where students have thrived for many years. Many intelligent and kind students have enjoyed part of their educational journey at HRS and have had exposure to life experiences and relationships they would not have had within the walls of school with half the jr high population that a regional Junior High offers. Having a larger population of students for kids to mix in with creates an environment where students can experience more culture and fosters a sense of community within our region. Students have an opportunity to join more competitive sports teams, more options for clubs (afterschool computer club) While there are many social aspects that are advantageous in this scenario there are also educational advantages including access to specialized programs such as K&E and having a resources like an inclusive ed staff member.

---

Kids are within their peer groups and get to integrate before high school

---

There are no benefits of this scenario

---

None.

---

There are no benefits. Something needs to be done to reduce the decline in public education student numbers.

---

---

None! No benefits, it's time for change! Just because something worked 20 years ago doesn't mean it will today. The world is constantly changing.

---

Prefer scenario 2

---

Hythe continues to thrive at the expense of the students of Beaverlodge.

---

Nothing about the Current Situation is Benefitting Beaverlodge Elementary Students

---

Junior High is an important time in a developing brain. Keeping 12 to 14 year olds together in a safe environment where they can be themselves and free of unnecessary influences is important. A regional school increases the population of this age group allowing for more friends and opportunity to find their peers and a sense of belonging. It increases the opportunity for stronger and more sports teams. It exposes are children to more diversity which will inturn increase their understanding, acceptance and empathy for those unlike themselves. Having this age group altogether also increases opportunities and funding for special groups, classes and resources.

---

None

---

Staffing etc would remain the same. Students get to meet others and new friendships can be formed which is significant in small communities.

---

None. I would never allow my children to go to Hythe school if there is another option

---

None

---

With the current concerns brought up by parents, I don't see any benefit in leaving the scenario as is, I believe change is in order.

---

More kids will play school sports because it's easier for the parents to get them to and from practises and games

---

It's been this way for years and it has worked for years.

---

Kids get to mingle and make more friends starting in grade 7 rather than grade 10. This is IMPORTANT!!

---

Students keep their activities

---

Why disrupt what is working, are students being asked if the 12 minute bus ride is unreasonable, more students means more funding for school and extra curricular, more interaction with peers at an earlier age, being exposed to diverse cultures, there would be no initial upfront costs (building, restructuring etc) and no ongoing extra costs for operating 2 separate grade 8 and/or 9 classrooms

---

With this scenario all of PWPSD student's educational experiences and opportunities are taken into consideration and valued as equally important. Social experiences greatly impact a students education and how they are receiving that education. Students can continue to thrive with larger pools of social engagement, the possibility of a number of classes for those times when a fresh start is needed, or when students do need to be in separate classes from certain students so that their education among their peers can continue to be positive. Extracurricular teams can still continue. Teachers can continue to specialize in areas they are strongest and most passionate about, in turn passing that strength and passion onto their students.

---

I have always felt that BES students should stay in there community

---

There are no benefits

---

Can't think of any.

---

None

---

none
None.
It has worked for years
No benefits
I don't see any benefits.
stronger programming more options Access to specialized teachers for Jr. High Opportunity for a fresh start mixing of cultures and communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• less costly in the long run (no need to build a new school or add portables)</li> <li>• maintain diversity and understanding of other cultures</li> <li>• maintain athletic team standards</li> <li>• minimizes the animosity bt the communities. This issue has torn these two very integrated (familial and social) communities apart before. It took a long time to heal. The fact that this issue is being dragged to the forefront again hands little to really do with academics, and more to do with the fact that "some" people feel that their kids are too good to go to Hythe and interact w HL kids. Sad that PWSD is putting themselves in the position to reinforce this bias, even as an unintended consequence:(. HRS is a closed campus; kids cannot arbitrarily leave and wander.</li> </ul>
There are non
none
none
Proven. Great class sizes. Specialized teachers. Socializing opportunities for students. Deeper pool of kids - everyone can find a new friend. Competitive sports teams.
Proven to work. Equal funding and capacity at all 3 schools. Students are given opportunity to expand their social circles and are exposed to multicultural environments.
Hythe school benefits from higher enrollment
None
None for students forced to travel
Hythe Regional school has provided a great junior high programming for years . Students bus time is not actually any more or any less . Have we contacted those that left peace wapiti to the catholic school to know for sure it was bc of the junior high or was there other factors ? The movement is very misconstrued and many that are participating in this movement have a long standing run with competition between Hythe and Beaverlodge . The K-9 builds unity between the communities. That will continue into the further years of high school education during the switch. We can access more funding and better programming for our students . It's vital that our students access tall these programs. Peace wapiti may save money in the long run as they will not have to split the access and resources into 3 different schools. Peace wapiti also benefits from the amount of companies willing to fund a lot of extras from our programming . Changes will be detrimental to the community relationships between the two towns . We all benefit as a whole together .
None. Zero. Zilch
Time for change.
None.

---

HRS junior high maintains a critical mass of students necessary to offer specialized programs and classes

---

Mixes different community's together from 7-12 fostering great relationships

---

HRS is set up and has been accommodating this arrangement for a long time. HRS does not become disadvantaged by student shortage and loose teachers, availability to sports and programs.

---

Better education at a regional school, higher levels of competition in sports, B teams in sports, friendships made in other communities, more of a variety of students to make friendships with, great teachers already available.

---

This hasn't been working for a long time. Hard for students to be in another community for education. Logistically difficult for families to support their children at school.

---

None

---

The school has been 10-12 for decades and it is working fine.

---

Beaverlodge has another elementary school in town, send their kids there if bes closes down and if they want k-9

---

I strongly believe that the overall culture of the school and Beaverlodge as a community have resulted in this decline and it has very little to do with the jr high grades transferring to HRS. It has worked for generations, I see no reason this should change.

---

There are no benefits

---

The students do not have make changes.

---

Both municipalities keep their enrolment while both communities have equal bussing

---

Keeping the kids in a stable known environment is a win and cheaper for the district. We can keep specialist teachers and programming. The district can also save money.

---

BES is a wonderful place for children to start out their education, very community minded, comfortable class sizes,

---

Funding for schools remains as is

---

Relationships can continue to form in our Jr. high between students within the surrounding communities. Having all the surrounding communities come together for learning really does build a foundation for our future. These are friendships that last into adulthood. We need our communities to be strong, connected, and able to come together during hard times. There is a great benefit to keeping things as are. Gr. 7-9 students should remaine seperated from the k-6, and separate from gr 10-12. Hormonal preteens should not be influencing small children I believe having the children separated by their age groups is truly a safety feature.

---

The amount of programming offered in a bigger junior high would be maintained. Sports teams do better with larger populations. The maturity level of students would be similar.

---

Once again, all the information you are providing is about the affects to Beaverlodge. You suggest that the enrollment for Beaverlodge will possibly continue to decline. Unfortunately, you do not mention that the enrollment in Hythe has continued to be very stable. Nor do you mention that BES has lost many students to St. Mary's school in Beaverlodge. That has nothing to do with Hythe, but it does have mpre to do with the type of programming St. Mary's is offering its students. Mind you if you want to build a new elementary school in Beaverlodge, which would be lovely, you need a population in the school to warrant it. If some of your children are leaving BES to go to St. Mary's you will need to grab the children from somewhere.

---

The Hythe school has more enrollment.

---

None noted.
None. This will lead to a further demise of a learning environment and its teaching staff.
No Benefits for continuing to bus these Beaverlodge Students to Hythe. At some point the well being of These Beaverlodge Kids should Matter.
As a parent of a student of BES there are absolutely no benefits to this scenario
Until a school is built that ALL students From Hythe Horselake Kelly lake Beaverlodge can attend I don't see a need to change it At least tho way young ppl are exposed to each other and can break down barriers such as race and class
Communities supporting each other. Cultural diversity. Programming and funding. Junior high sports (splitting the junior high up into 3 different schools will make it very hard for extra curricular activities). This is a 30yr old argument and I believe it's the opposite of reconciliation. This is segregating communities.
None
Nothing in the current school boundaries would change, teaching assignments would not change
None
Small underutilizes elementary in Beaverlodge
Socialization, team sports ie volleyball, basketball. Independence.
Why isn't there a scenario where BES becomes a K-9? That would be my vote.
"If it ain't broke-don't fix it". There are reasons why the enrolment of BES has been declining-and it is not a problem that can be solved by pulling and forcing older students to attend different school(s), in actuality- you may just find even more students end up going to St. Mary's than the number who have already 'jumped ship'.
Hythe population remains the same, programs remain in place. There is something so positive about grade 6 kids from BES transferring to Hythe for grade 7. There is a bigger school population, their pool of friends increases. If a kid struggles being with the same kids year after year, from JK to Grade 6, they have no positive social interactions, moving to a bigger school has positive implications. They realize they can make more friends then the kids they've been stuck with, they gain confidence and skills participating in different activities. The Hythe school is new. There is no need for another small community to have a new school built, just because they WANT one. My kids attend Hythe, they have been loved and accepted. They have flourished under the attention they receive, they get help when requested. They love the Cree classes, and are making friends of all nationalities. They love being part of a mixed community, and are growing up with knowledge of different cultures.
No effort or work for people, no conflict
None
Everything is the same as always
less hassle and it keeps the brhs students happy
None.
Communities work together. High school is still a highschool.
No work or adjustment

---

Socialization between communities. More friendship opportunities. Students will have more opportunities to teach specialized classes.

---

No unnecessary spending on a new school when one of the newest and finest schools in Peace Wapiti is currently 10 minutes away in Hythe. No splitting more teachers and resources among two communities 9 minutes apart.

---

Increase in education options available. Increase in friendships. Increase in cultural diversity. (There is only a small group of people wanting to make this change and it is based on inaccurate information/gossip being spread.

---

Junior high students can continue to be able to meet new students from all communities before high school as this is a important part also for learning

---

We leave the school's as is, and although BES is having funding issues, HRS will not have to shit down, and consequently have to bus all THEIR students daily.

---

This has not been working for along time. That is why families are choosing the Catholic school district.

---

None Beaverlodge school will continue in decline

---

No benefit to residents or students of Beaverlodge

---

Highschool student are happy. Grade 9 and 8s are being exposed to a culture that they are to immature for at a young age. The students are happy as is. That is what school is about

---

Hythe regional attendance stays the same.

---

None

---

Since the pandemic, students have more complex learning and social-emotional needs. Educating these students together allows us to use our resources more efficiently and to provide specialized programming and services that could not exist in either school because of a smaller student population and a lack of adequate funding. A larger school population also creates a more diverse student population which can encourage students to appreciate different perspectives and have a better understanding and respect for others. Students have a chance to develop more meaningful friendships when they spend their days with a variety of different students. It is so amazing to see that kid who had few friends in elementary meet new people in grade 7 that they can connect with. Before becoming a K-9 regional school in Hythe, it was a separate 7-9 regional school. When the junior high moved into the newly renovated school they knew it would be important to maintain some autonomy for the 7-9 students and the building is designed to do this effectively. This space should continue to be utilized to meet the needs of all these students.

---

The school is laid out to segregate junior high and elementary. The school has developed programs and supports in place to help this vulnerable age group cope with the change from elementary to eventual high school with gradual changes. The school actively goes after 3rd party funding to support what the needs of the students are to accommodate all learning levels.

---

I don't feel there are.

---

It's worked for many many years, students get to be on better sports teams, schools get more funding as larger, diversity of students

---

None

---

Hythe doesn't lose students.

---

---

It has been this way for years

---

Hythe will remain active in the ability to provide great programs due to funding and enrolment. The bonding of friendships and other important factors in students lives will be better earlier in life due to the mix of all areas going to the same school.

---

Kids get different school experience and new kids to interact with

---

None We can't do what has been done simply because 'that's the way it's been'

---

There are no benefits to this scenario, the sad part of this is out of all the communities our thriving community loses out the most. The parents who are now having to coach sports teams in Hythe as their teachers don't want to have to give up more time. Parents lose out on family time on the highway!

---

it doesnt give our children what's best for them

---

Opportunity for more specialized courses, no combines classes, k and E option for struggling students, diversity in among students cultures, fresh start for students, competitive school sports teams, staffing stays the same, utilization of infrastructure, removes division amongst students, opportunities for new peers/ peer groups.

---

None that I can see

---

Extracurricular programs for students, such as sports team (with a larger population to draw from in HRS), more choices for options, exposure to diversity

---

In our area this has been the way for multiple generations. I feel as it has worked and it is just how us from Beaverlodge and Hythe do it. The benefits are, Beaverlodge and Hythe students get a wider range of experiences from different schools and teachers.

---

Beaverlodge kids should be able to attend all grades of school in beaverlodge

---

Hythe gets their way as usual!!

---

This would keep the Hythe Regional thriving which is a great school

---

none

---

Doesn't take students and teaching positions from Hythe

---

None that outweigh a change.

---

None for the Beaverlodge Children and Families.

---

None

---

I don't know that I overly see benefit in this option. I love beaverlodge Elementary school, and it's only drawback for our family has been the fact our kids have to transfer to hythe for jr high.

---

There is not a benefit to this as kids are spending extra hours on a bus a day just to go to junior high

---

dont have any benefits

---

None

---

Not sure

---

always that it was ridiculous to bus junior high from beaverlodge to Hythe then back for options

---



Larger student numbers equal better programming. Best for students
No large change of adjustment.
It's the way it is already and it works well.
There are NO BENEFITS. The "current" scenario is broken and is causing extreme long-lasting detriment to the BEAVERLODGE STUDENTS. PWSD needs to WAKE UP and make drastic changes IMMEDIATELY.
Nothing
I don't see many benefits, but am curious as to why we bus kids to Hythe from Beaverlodge, but not to Elmworth? Elmworths class sizes are very low.
There are no benefits to this scenario.
None-displacing our kids to a smaller community with no hospital, limited access to facilities and unsafe bussing MAKES NO SENSE. It doesn't make sense financially and actually is unethical. Why should Beaverlodge kids suffer? The school board should be doing what is most economical and the safest option
There is no benefits to Beaverlodge students in this scenario.
Kids benefit from intermingling and exposure to different people and situations. HRS provides many learning, extracurricular and social experiences that students would lose by changing the configuration. This community is unique in that the two towns and reserve are so physically close, this system has been working for decades and has the statistics to back these success rates.
Less cost
I would not be happy with this at all. I see NO BENEFITS
The schools wouldn't have to change
Not have to move things around
No benefits when in hythe there is no hospital or swimming pool clinic.
No benifits leave the same
I see none
No benefits
Pwsd will suffer with less teachers being employed at BES. Students being bussed out on the highways and not being kept local. Meaning more time spent on bussing, meaning earlier mornings where time could be spent more efficiently with better rested students.
Beaverlodge and Hythe students are mixed
Hythe junior high enrolment would not drop
None.
People are most comfortable with no change. It remains status quo and everyone is happy.
Leave school configuration as is

---

This has been tried before and never went through . Why go through all the headaches along the way to make this happen . However we live in the country so my kids all had to be bussed maybe I'd feel differently if I lived in town . I know in the past that was a concern that bussing on the hwy to hythe . I don't believe there's ever been an accident or issue . My kids had to ride to hythe then Beaverlodge when they attended high school . Just part of life . The grades in all the schools now seem to work well so why change a good thing . Hythe would be able to still Thrive if they kept the K-9 there . Even K-8 in Hythe and have BRHS 9-12 . BES leave as a elementary school k-6

---

Junior high age children should have their own peer group their age. They should not be placed in high school settings with vehicles, increased accessibility to drugs and alcohol.

---

There are no benefits in my opinion.

---

None. Safer school transportation less students on the road.

---

None

---

None - it is truly beneficial to the Hythe and Horse Lake communities only

---

No benefits, hurting both schools

---

Teacher jobs remain

---

Beaverlodge and Hythe students can make connections in jr high before they get to highschool. More students means less teasing or students feeling left out as students are able to find their group that suits them. Jr high students aren't surrounded by younger kids so their are able to mature better than if they were to be in an elementary school.

---

This approach allows the Beaverlodge kids to be exposed to cultural diversity which is very important for current and future social development. The social aspect is greatly enhanced for all children from both communities. When there are a wider range of interests and backgrounds it makes it easier for kids from small towns to find somewhere they fit in

---

Nothing, I feel if we are having issues and concerns about this already... something needs to be changed

---

BES is down in staff numbers, so having more students equals more jobs. Hythe resources remain the same, with a stable enrollment.

---

None

---

Room is available to walk to classes in the hallways, teachers can engage with students better, teachers will have the right amount of kids in classes that they are able to manage, assignments will be marked faster as teachers won't have as many assignments to mark, teachers will actually have a life instead of marking on their free time, school environment will be less chaotic.

---

Kids get to meet others from different communities which will help them develop and build socialization skills. They will have more access to resources such as sports, extra curricular, mental health resources, etc.

---

,

---

Easy

---

No benefits

---

None

---

---

I don't see too many benefits personally. Maybe teaching positions but most of the teachers/EA's might prefer working in beaverlodge anyway.

---

No benefits

---

Benefits all students to be successful

---

There are no benefits. This is why I am currently filling out this survey, we need change. This has been the school boards answer for far too long. DO SOMETHING

---

There are NO BENEFITS! If Peace Wapiti refuses to make this change AGAIN the parents will take matters in to their own hands. We are tired of Hythe board members and Peace Wapiti deciding what is best for our children!

---

None

---

I feel in order to have grade 7 and/or 8 in BES a lot of work needs to be done in how to structure the classrooms/gym/bathrooms, the time schedule, school rules and discipline. It's not simply a matter of putting the gr7/8 in the building as there are many considerations to take into account.

---

None. It does not make sense. Transportation is horrible.

---

I want to have my child go to school in my own community so I don't see any benefit to keeping it the same.

---

There are no benefits to our family. I do not want my children going to school in hythe. I have never felt comfortable with this scenario but don't have another option other then the catholic school. Our children have good friends at the elementary school and I would want to take them away from them just to put them in a catholic school that doesn't align with our families religious beliefs. We live in the country and our children already have a long bus ride. Now add on travelling all the way to hythe. That is extra time and travel and it adds a lot of stress for safety reasons too! I am so happy to hear that there are scenarios being discussed so that our children could complete school fully in Beaverlodge which is where we chose for them to go to school in the first place. Children shouldn't be switched schools and have to go to hythe just because the grades aren't available in Beaverlodge right now.

---

Hythe keeps students and funding

---

Kids going to school with other kids close to their maturity level. School sports are available for kids from grade 7-12

---

None.

---

No change to the school program

---

Strong programming Mixing of students and cultures Specialized teachers Communities working together Reinforcing years of tradition

---

More education options in a regional school, friendships made in junior high age to bring communities together, higher level of competition in sports, keep transportation grants, grade 8 and 9 students not socially pressured from high school aged students

---

Parents want kids to stay in the community. That's why st Mary's is over crowded.

---

More opportunities for options in classes. More teachers with more teaching opportunities. Socialization between communities.

---

HRS is a fantastic school that truly makes large impacts on many students lives that go there. They get funding due to the large indigenous population that attends there, therefore there are many extra curricular benefits, and supports that are in place.
I don't see any benefits to this
The situation is predictable and age appropriate. The school sports teams are not going to be impacted.
The programming is already set up for the schools the way they are.
None noted.
Large amount of students so possibly more options in classes.
Better relationships for students going into high school together, diverse culture
BES can't attract local students and has lost funding for teachers and programming. My Son in Grade 5 has to be taught by 5 separate teachers due to lack of funding for a full time teacher. We can't compete with St . Mary's. Beaverlodge Families are choosing St.Mary's because they offer grades 7-9 and their kids stay off the Highway.
N/a
Why change something that's not broke🤖
.
The kids all get to know each other and continue for 6 years together. The staff at Hythe is wonderful. I'm sorry Beaverlodge has less teachers, that's because lots of kids went to St. Marys. Why when Hythe has a wonderful school and staff do we need to make it so they don't have enough students, so its okay for them to loss out, the students benefit from going to school together, busing doesn't come into it because we bus our kids to Beaverlodge so kids can be bused here.
This will allow students to have 3 middle years to grow and develop with the guidance of teachers specialized in there age group. Students will be exposed to a more diverse learning environment that will allow for richer social and educational experiences
None
It is already set up this way. Teachers are in place. Kids already have to be bused to Beaverlodge to high school Why diminish the Hythe school by taking away junior high
Students are custom to this
HRS has been renovated to accommodate the student enrolment as it is. Having a junior high in Hythe provides an environment that accommodates Hythe, Horse Lake, and Beaverlodge students in a central position. As well, all students are the same or similar age and the mix allows for more options for students second language being one. The possibility of putting together competitive sports teams is also an added benefit for students.
None
Hythe Regional School continues as a shining example of racial tolerance and understanding for both communities. With all Jr. High students at Hythe the programming and teaching continues with diverse courses and viable sport team opportunities.
Allowing students to grow naturally and not be unnecessarily overwhelmed

---

It has worked and been successful for many years. The educational team in Hythe is phenomenal and knowledgeable about their student population, while providing the scaffolding for independence as students mature and age

---

None

---

It is as it always has been

---

None

---

The only benefit is it is less work at an administrative level not to make changes. Not the best option for students.

---

The transition to a new school for students in grade 7 is a good thing. It's a chance to make new friends, have different teachers (specifically if you had trouble with the ones in your other school), a chance at a fresh start with some new kids if you didn't fit in, and to potentially see different cultures. With a mix of Hythe, Beaverlodge and Horse Lake students means more students in the Hythe school. If there was a bully in your grade, you can be separated from them because there are 3-4 different grade 7 classes. Cree is a class that can be offered. Several grade 7, 8 and 9 classes means many option classes can be offered for students to choose from. With more students in each grade, you can also have specialized staff to teach classes such as math, science or social so students get a better education.

---

Less growing pains and changes to accommodate.

---

There are absolutely no benefits to this scenario.

---

My understanding is that BES has lost enrolment to St Marys BL.

---

None!

---

None

---

Status quo stays the same and nothing changes for Hythe.

---

No benefits at this time. The current situation is of no benefit to students or the school district, especially with the decline in student numbers at BES

---

None

---

Any change will cause stress and upheaval for some of those involved, so it avoids that. No need to reduce teaching positions in Hythe

---

There are no benefits. Not to the town of Beaverlodge, it's residents, and most of all its junior high students bussed out of town!

---

None.

---

Jr high students have a space to grow and discover themselves with students going through the same problems. More opportunities with a large group when it comes to programs and activities. Students can't really get in trouble in Hythe because there is nowhere to go. Students will learn about another culture and meet people outside of their community. I feel this decision is fueled by racism. Many of these parents see the kids at the hockey arena when they are at their worst, the students are scared to meet the others in grade 7 but within a month they have created some great relationships and see past the stereotypes. There are no major issues at Hythe so why change it

---

Smaller class sizes

---

---

No changes mean less work, but our family isn't thrilled with having to bus our children to Hythe in the future, so not much benefits personally.

---

I don't see any benefits.

---

Why is bes shrinking? Why are students transferring. Address that issue and make it an amazing k-6 that students want to attend.

---

The Jr high experience will be better as there is a larger group of students to socialize with.

---

No benefits

---

None

---

It is working, the kids are doing well, and intermingling well. It makes more sense for all schools to enter high school at the same time rather than some earlier than others

---

I see no benefits.

---

The declining enrolment numbers will keep getting lower as it's more appealing to have your children in the same community and being bussed all the way to hythe

---

There are none

---

I don't see any.

---

Leave school configuration as is

---

None

---

If it's not broken, why fix it?

---

This system has worked for years and years. Kids from various communities get to know each other in grades 7,8,9 at HRS. This provides easier transition for ALL students attending BRHS

---

That pooled resources in a regional school (HRS) can more fully benefit our youth's education. More resources and funding with larger numbers of JrHigh students allows for more interesting option classes, K&E classes being offered, classes being taught by teachers with subject specialization thereby creating better preparation for high school and post-secondary. More students allow for competitive sports teams in several different sports, along with trained coaches. This in turn helps to create the skill development necessary for college or university sports opportunities. This opens the door for our students to access scholarships and grants. HRS is set up to house the current student configuration. HRS was designed for Jr High students and their education. The school design facilitates Elementary students being separate from Jr High students unless mentorship programs are being run. They are in completely different wings of the school. HRS fosters community building and accepting others from diverse cultures. We are stronger together. HRS is welcoming and inviting. What is it doing to maintain stable numbers despite the decline in Beaverlodge? This should be another big consideration before looking at dismantling it. With greater student numbers there is the funding to have special presentations, speakers and functions. Having students from several communities together during their formative years helps to facilitate a sense of community and compassion that allows for an easier transition to high school, which can also improve high school completion rates. Many students and families are thankful for the fresh start they have received at HRS. Having new teachers and a clean slate allow for more easily establishing a new reputation and focusing on learning. If the education and well-being of our students is a priority, the school configuration should be left as it is.

---

---

None. I have a 2 year old and already know he will attend at Mary's I will not bud him to hythe. You will continue to lose students

---

It's in the best interest of student development academically and socially to keep the scenario the way it is now.

---

Bigger groups of students have more learning options

---

The only benefit I can see is the opportunity for the Beaverlodge students to socialize with students from other communities.

---

Explained in previous question.

---

Classrooms are available for each grade schools are not as crowded and it's worked for many years the way it is.

---

There isn't any

---

friends to be made from all communities, every student given the same chances once heading to high school (ie: no one group to have the upper hand of knowing the school prior to Gr.10). Entering a new school in Gr.10 is already so intimidating, let alone knowing over half your grade has already been going there for a year!!

---

The communities working together Friend ships The issue is the option of the Catholic school with a higher enrolment hythe set up has not and is not the cause of declining enrolment in Beaverlodge elementary- so I do not understand why they should suffer and their count should be effected

---

Status quo is working well

---

Hythe school continues to be fully utilized. Younger students don't get introduced to the dynamic of grades 10-12 before they're ready.

---

There is none

---

No benefits

---

Cultural awareness and compassion. More classroom choices. Greater ability for levels of classroom teaching. More classroom support. Greater mental help support. More options. Younger children do not have to enter high school any earlier.

---

This will allow the children to stay together. It will create new friendships. Teachers will keep their jobs, higher numbers of kids to participate on sports teams. All resources will be targeted to the be specific group of children instead of being spread thin between multiple schools.

---

there is no benefits

---

Hythe and Beaverlodge students are given the opportunity to learn from each other in a way that wasn't possible with the other two configurations

---

None.

---

There are NONE

---

There are NO benefits to this. If the schools stay the way they are parents will continue to move their kids to the Catholic School or to Grande Prairie. Something has to change.

---

It's been like this for years why change now, it should stay the same.

---

Thinking of the Junior High students, they have more students, more funding , therefore better education.

---

None.
Simple
No change so no issues to come up in transition
Kids need that new start and going to Junior high from either BES or HRS gives kids a new start. Chance to make new friends Chance for sports teams, extracurriculars teachers that are specialists in their areas chance to learn how to navigate a rotation schedule before getting to high school and having all different classes - JH allows them to get used to rotating when they have others with the same schedule and at times can follow the group
I do not agree with switching schools for junior high from beaverlodge just to go back to beaverlodge again for high-school.
None
I don't see any benefits to this proposal.
Zero benefits
Keeping kids local
None.
The only benefit is for the village of Hythe. But kids shouldn't be the pawns of a town trying to stay afloat.
N/A
Hythe numbers are bigger
none
The funding staying the same. I feel there are always risks of enrollment declining in any school scenario. We seem to have some students coming and going all the time.
This is optimal for all students. Students from Hythe, Beaverlodge, Vahalla, HorseLake and Kelly Lake. The students will have the opportunity to expand their learning, physical fitness, cultural awareness, and inclusion.
Easy for everyone that is not a student or parent.
None
The situation will work the same that everybody is comfortable with.
Change can be hard and by not changing, everything is status quo
There are many benefits. Staff would not need to be relocated, strong academic programming would continue at HRS, opportunities for extracurricular activities would continue, and all students would have the opportunity for cultural experiences.
Students are exposed to new people and a more diverse learning environment. More kids means more opportunities for extra curricular teams and other activities. They get the opportunity to try something new, but remain in a safe and secure environment with trained professionals that specialize in working with kids their age.
I don't see any benefits
It's been this way for years and has never been a problem I grew up going to school this way and Met some of my best friends. It's good for kids to experience the culture change as well.



---

So who exactly is wanting the change? Looks like teachers who want full time employment. Leave the school how it is. There is a progression that happens in an elementary school. To then junior high and then high school. These kids in 6th grade are ready for the switch to another school and new teachers. Then in grade 9 it's the same. They are ready emotionally and mentally for the next step into high school.

---

None

---

None

---

None

---

Funding is more evenly split between Hythe and Beaverlodge. The programs would remain the same for all students and the social and mental health side of students is better handled.

---

None

---

Class sizes remain small

---

I don't see the benefits of current situation

---

None

---

None

---

None

---

None

---

## What are the drawbacks of this scenario?

---

It doesn't make sense to transfer the majority of a student population to another community for junior high.

---

Harder to offer supplies and supports to students when enrollment continues to decline BES will more than likely move to split classes with decreasing enrollment Continue to see parents/students move to the Catholic district as they have the space and option to continue with community schooling from K-9 Increased behavior problems within the community with students Loss of some great teachers, they will be frustrated and move on We are one of the only communities within PW that does not offer Public Education from K-12 Continue to see more empty classrooms/decreased utilization at BES More families will lose faith with the public school system and move towards the charter school or Catholic district Our students will not be in our community, there is enough research done on community schooling to know that keeping them in Beaverlodge is the best option We should not be using BES students to populate other schools within our district or within our community, let's keep them local and in the public school system. BES will continue to send less students to Hythe as enrollment will more than likely continue to decrease at BES Less chance to continue the mentorship programs with the highschool (Big Brother/Big Sisters approach) Families are not moving to Beaverlodge due to not having the option for public education from K-12, they are choosing to move to other communities (talk to the realtors, this is a fact)

---

I want my kids in our community not unnecessarily busing to Hythe

---

Less opportunity for growth of at least one west county municipality

---

Busing town kids. Having them on the road when weather is bad. If they stay in Beaverlodge it will reduce the time they have to travel.

---

---

My child would spend approximately 3 hours per day on the bus.

---

There are NO drawbacks!! This have proven to work!!!

---

BES keeps losing funding.

---

If residents of the Beaverlodge area are not allowed to have their own children some will be moving, some will continue to home school and many will move their children to the Catholic even though it is not their choice of religion,. It is a cash cow for the Catholic school.

---

This would be devastating for Beaverlodge Elementary.

---

I honestly don't think there are any academic or social drawbacks. The school works. It may not be the most convenient for all but it works and works well. I honestly don't understand why a district would want to damage one of their schools in order to potentially assist another school within their district. Should the parent council not have been told that it will be revisited once a new Jr High is needed, but until then they need to promote and speak of all the great things about HRS. I am embarrassed by some of the half-truths being put out there by the one school council.

---

There are no drawbacks to this scenario, if you look at the above scenario numbers, it shows HRS will have a higher enrollment number than Beaverlodge Elementary School does now AFTER our students come back to Beaverlodge. PWPSD needs to understand that it's not about one school/town versus another; it should be what keeps all 3 schools open and operating! Beaverlodge Elementary is losing students, teachers, funding and programs. If you don't give them back their kids, you'll lose BES and then Hythe and then BRHS. You decide! How much is the Board willing to lose? The Parents in Beaverlodge are no longer letting PWPSD decide what is best for our children; we are taking back the choice as PWPSD isn't our ONLY choice anymore!

---

Trend of decreasing enrollment of BES will continue and in the future could effect the viability of BES. This drop in enrollment will trickle forward to Hythe in the coming years. BES has already lost numerous valuable programs as a result of this drop in student population. The extra math and literacy programs have already had to be cut. There is a grade 5 classroom having 5 different teachers teach these students throughout the day due to insufficient funding for a full time teacher for this class. This decrease in programming will also trickle forward to Hythe. Peace Wapiti needs to create a public education system in the town of Beaverlodge that will attract and retain students in their school system. The current model is forcing families to look for other options to educate their children in their home community; the only current option for this is the Catholic Education System. Public Education needs to be accessible for all; if this trend continues, public education in Beaverlodge is at risk of being non-existent.

---

Why on earth would anyone want their children busing down a busy highway in the middle of winter when a catholic school is nearby?

---

Inconvenient for a few parents. Why take students from one school in hopes of gaining at another. Maybe look into why BES is losing numbers and it's not only because of the new school in Beaverlodge. I am a parent that switched my child and one of the reasons was due to the welcoming atmosphere felt at St. Mary opposed to feeling very unwelcome at BES!

---

Kids being pulled from HRS to attend outlining schools in protest.

---

We should have k-9 absolutely

---

Continue to hemorrhage students to St Mary's

---

---

This configuration has been broken for along time and needed to be changed 20 years ago when the community of Beaverlodge brought this to the attention of PWPSD. A third party study was done back in 2002 and the recommendation was to "thus, the cost, safety concern, and time required to bus the Junior High students from Beaverlodge to Hythe would be eliminated." -Workun.Garrick Architects & Associates INC They proposed BES K-8 BRHS 9-12. At that time BES was on the capital plan to have a new K-8 school built because we were at full capacity. Fast forward to 2016 when the NEW catholic school was built in Beaverlodge. Families jumped ship and went to the new catholic school that offered the ONLY junior high option in Beaverlodge. Since then BES enrollment has drastically declined and because of this we are no longer on the capital plan for a new school. Rough number of calculation since 2016 is an approx. loss of \$7,000,000 of funding at BES. Familes are not moving away from the town they are moving to another school district because of the unnecessary busing and no option for Junior High in Beaverlodge. Beaverlodge is the largest community WEST of Grande Prairie to the BC border. We need to be competitive in the Public School district and offer JUNIOR HIGH in Beaverlodge.

---

Still have the same issues as before with nothing resolved.

---

Beaverlodge students have to continue to travel

---

no drawbacks in my eyes

---

the community will be reeling. Something will still need to change or BES will wither.

---

Beaverlodge Elementary and possibly BRHS see more decline in enrollment, staffing, funding etc.

---

I do not see any...my kids love HRS!! ps..and I'm from Beaverlodge...shhh!

---

Beaverlodge students have to leave their home community and family at a very velnerabke time in their social and emotional development leaving them more susceptible to negative influences and peer pressure. Less and less parents are choosing this option now that St.Mary is an option. Public school enrolment will decline to the point that it will no longer be an option in Beaverlodge for k-6 either.

---

This is a bad idea to leave as it is now

---

A decreasing rate of enrollment into Beaverlodge public school system. The emrollment losses suffered over the last 6 years have had a castcading effect on Peace Wapiti in Beaverlodge. Staffing down sizing, less one on one for our growing future childeren.

---

There is no forward thinking in this scenario and future needs are not really being considered. We need to look at technology and gear education towards the ever increasing computer age and computer programming with access to high tech options for students. Can we offer access to some virtual classes with all of the current schools? Keep the numbers/grades as us but open experiences through virtual connections out of current classrooms?

---

Bussing continues

---

Leave as is

---

The compressed school week is appreciated and offers increased family time. Bussing can be a challenge but it has not caused any major concerns over all. The system as is has been well thought out and offers variety and good experiences for students jn general. There are choices - bullying is present and having the option to change schools can be a relief

---

None.

---

---

Students are spending hours on buses or waiting due to accommodate students travelling to and from Hythe. Our children spend an hour travelling just to the elementary and then an hour and 15 minutes home. When they start attending the HRS they will be spending over 3 hours on the bus a day. This is time better spent in class or doing after school activities. The highway between Beaverlodge and Hythe is not safe. The more time spent on the bus, the more opportunity for conflict on buses.

---

Everything, this is an awful scenario.

---

There will always be some parents who, for various reasons, will protest their children attending school in Hythe. (Some of us appreciate what we have now.) Some students have extended transport time, but this is something rural Albertans live with every day – sometimes for 12 years. (The benefits outweigh the negatives.)

---

-Continued decline of BES student numbers. -Loss of staff because of declined enrollment. -School unable to provide the best educational experience because of these issues. -State of the BES school physical building continues to decline. -Students have to keep bussing between communities. -

---

I don't think there are any drawbacks, the "dangerous bus route" that is being brought up is a non-issue, as PWPSD has an excellent safety rating.

---

Our junior high kids are on a dangerous road that is not twinned.

---

Bes will shrink, kids still budding to Hythe

---

BES is losing too many kids to the Catholic school. PWSD has to get those kids back. Stop the bleed!

---

-Beaverlodge jr highs will continue to be sacrificed for the sake of transportation funding, funding to HRS, and intercommunity relationships (relationships that can easily be built other ways) -Long bus rides (my children commute for 2.5+ hours a day and we only live 10 minutes from Beaverlodge); not to mention unnecessary safety risks of the transfer route on a busy single lane highway -transitions at a young age of 12 is not healthy -12 year old children are removed from a community they are familiar with, and expected to adjust in a new community with adults and peers they have no pre-developed connections with. Looking through a VTRA lens, we are taking Beaverlodge children from an open system and relocating them in a traumatically closed system. This is undeniably difficult to counter/balance and puts Beaverlodge children at an immediate disadvantage. -parents are less engaged due to accessibility and proximity -CSWs will continue and in turn put strain on dual working parent families who will have to find childcare (when our local daycare is already max'ed with 3 year waitlists) -this will continue to be an ongoing issue that will resurface at some point, as history has already shown -the current K&E program/classroom at HRS needs review, as students struggle with the degree of change in programming when they enter high school and if they enter K&E in high school, they will not receive a diploma. HRS claims that this is a beneficial program, but it is not. -BES will likely continue to experience a decline of enrolment as people will choose the Catholic school if it means they can have their children educated in their home community; this will eventually impact HRS.

---

BES will remain to struggle.

---

Parents will continue to withdraw their students from PWPSD and enrol them in the Catholic system in order to keep them in their home communities.

---

bussing still an issue. loss of schooling in Beaverlodge

---

BES will keep declining and in 3 years we will be addressing this which splits the community again! My kids will still be riding a bus, missing out on community events, losing established relationships. It is pretty blatant and obvious!

---

The communities are at divided because of these conversations.
Everything. This system is hugely bizarre and Dysfunctional
Busing my children out of their home community to attend a school further away from our home and work.
Laying off bus drivers. Loss of grant money. Potential closing of HRS due to low numbers. Negative effects for surrounding schools.
None.
Long days, inconvenient, loss of community, possible loss of life if accident on busy highway.
Don't see any
Kids bussed out of town with unnecessary fees for bussing
there is no drawbacks
?
Beaverlodge numbers may continue to slowly go down. There will always be enough students to keep the school operating.
NONE
Kids still on a busy highway, BES will continue to degrade and lose students to the catholic school.
None
Extra bus time
This would be Devastating for Beaverlodge Elementary
None, the reasons BES enrolment is dropping is due to backwards views from some parents and residents that is causing some parents to move they're children to other options aside from BES
I don't believe there are any. I moved my kids to Hythe during their Jr. High years and was very pleased with the school.
Not all parents will be happy with this.
Way too many drawbacks to list
Transportation, logistics, cost as we both work full time. Would cause us to move both kids to catholic school
I understand why parents of Beaverlodge kids want their children schooled in their own community; however, in larger communities, this scenario of students being transported to other communities for portions of their school years is common, if not very widespread.
-increasing number of families leaving the public school system, affecting funding for public school, but also potentially causing overcrowding in the Catholic school -families refusing to bus or send children to Catholic school leaving Beaverlodge altogether, affecting the entirety of the town -causing stress/anxiety to both students and their parents -wasting fuel on unnecessary bussing -creating the possibility for accidents or injury because of unnecessary bussing -making the days longer for students and taking away some home (and homework) time
none from quality of education

Continuing loss of student population from BES to Catholic and Valhalla schools. No Drawback to HRS or BRHS
No drawbacks why change something that works.
Transferring Beaverlodge Jr High kids to Hythe
Absolutely nothing! Stop bringing this up.
I have to send my children on a bus away from the community that we live in. This increases their risk and decreases our family time and family quality of life. It will be challenging for many children, including mine, to attend extracurricular activities. The continued decline in enrollment puts our Beaverlodge community elementary school at unnecessary risk.
Currently the system isn't working and that's why peace wapiti is losing numbers, but I don't think they are losing numbers due to buying kids to hythe. I think there is a larger issue
Bus travel , Time , Room at BES for Grades 7,8. Room for Grade 9 at BRHS.
Continued reduced student base
None
More workload on existing teaching staff. More students for a single teacher. Travel time to Hythe wastes 60-90 min of the day by the time you walk to school / ride bus / unload bus / settle into school.
We are not progressing toward future by keeping the schools 'the way they are and have been for years'
Students need to spend an extra 24 minutes, at least, on a bus unnecessarily. Some students cannot participate in extracurricular activities as many have parents that work and cannot pick up from hythe by the designated pick up time.
We are still transporting Beaverlodge kids to Hythe. School sports are hard to participate in when you're a Beaverlodge family and have to go back and forth to Hythe for sports.
bes has to lock the door send kids to elmworth hythe or else where dosent bother me
COSTS FOR TRANSPORTATION IS GREATER THAN NEEDS TO BE
There is any draw back that would be necessary
none that i can see.
NONE. students get to meet other students and many new friendships are formed. They are given the opportunity to gain experiences beyond their "comfort " zone and this can prepare them for their future jobs , life etc. students gain independence within a safe environment. junior high aged students are "in between" they are not elementary and they are not high school. They get opportunities to be involved in extracurricular which will not be available to them.
Less teachers No chance for a new school
Losing a great school for our kids with good programs and teacher
Lack of funding
Lack of access to your children, lost opportunity for after school events

---

A small group of Beaverlodge parents will continue to complain and create divisions. What would happen if they put their energies to supporting HRS? To promoting what a great experience the transition there will be? How many families would continue to have their children at BES?

---

BES will continue to see a decline in enrollment, will continue to see a loss of well trained teachers (will need to be moved to other schools, will disrupt their livelihoods). Continue to see a decline in extra support for students (gone from 26 hours of literacy time to 16 hours). Will continue to see more students move to another school district, funding will not be going to PW where it should be. We continue to lose good educators to St. Mary's as well. Over the past few years we have lost at least 4 of our substitute teachers to new positions being opened at their school. As well as teachers, EA's have moved over to that school. There will be no future left at BES if we don't make a change now.

---

Forcing families to send their children to a religious based school is appalling and shameful

---

Not family friendly, hard on parents to split up locations like this, especially working parents lack of trust in HRS schooling system

---

Bussing student to a school when there is no need to is a definite safety hazard and if at anytime an bus accident was to happen and children were killed or injured the lawsuits would be astronomical because someone didn't listen to the parents who said things have to change.

---

I see no drawbacks of this scenario.

---

Future loss of Grade 1 to 8 in Beaverlodge due to movement of children to Catholic school system. The safety of busing more and more children each year out of the community is a major concern. Our children's lives are important and the govt and school boards should put more efforts into researching this. They should be looking how they would feel if their children or grandchildren were bused out of their schools for 3 years and how it will affect their lives and could be affected if there was a major bus accident.....

---

It's an extremely bad idea for students having to travel an extra 40 minutes a day for no reason. Safety, time.

---

Still losing BES

---

Unnecessary bus travel.

---

It's hard for parents to drive that extra bit to pick up and drop off kids for appts. It means that most of us have to take a half day off work. Or just don't send our kids that day due to appts and time constraints for driving. In my situation it took me over 45min one way to pick up a kid so it wasn't conducive for a working parent

---

Beaverlodge students have to ride the bus 20 extra minutes a day.

---

Kids need to be transported by bus, but there will still be the same amount of buses in the road regardless of which scenario is chosen. The busing has no bearing in the if the current system should be changed or not.

---

Students are removed from community and community events. Students are being bused additional hours to a smaller community. Continued decrease in enrolment at BES. Additional teaching positions lost from decline in enrolment. Students are combined into classroom settings that are not conducive to learning. For example, Gr 5 students currently having 4 teachers in the first half of the day.

---

Inconvenience for parents to pick up children in Hythe.

---

Sending local BL kids to Hythe for school.

---

---

Just bussing but my children and I would prefer a bus ride so that they will continue to have a quality education and extra curricular activities.

---

Some Beaverlodge parents are unhappy.

---

It's a drawback in its entirety

---

Peace Wapiti will continue to lose students and funding and teachers.

---

Continued waste of student time transferring kids to and from hythe

---

Well see less people enrolling in the public school

---

Split classes, declining k-6 numbers. Decrease funding. 7-9 still bus to hythe. Safety issues

---

beaverlodge students are still having to bus everyday away from their community..

---

Bussing time, safety and cost. Kids outside of community and away from family. Athletic programs are not in sync with current GP programs

---

Having the kids bussed to another community when we have schools here.

---

None

---

There are too many to list and I am confident they have all been listed!

---

No change no help for single parents

---

Bussing is a stressor. For children coming from Elmworth the commute becomes so long. Missed community connections as they are not present in their home community. Diversity could be better addressed by keeping locals together.

---

I will have to transfer to another school division or another school in order to keep my son local

---

More travel time

---

I would have to enroll my child at another school to keep him here locally and his culture of his friends would be hard to leave at such a pivotal age of development

---

Young Kids on buses from Beaverlodge to Hythe.

---

travel

---

Bussing is more expensive and complicated. Students are missing out on after school activities because they can't just walk home after. The infrastructure is here and being under-utilized.

---

Hurt feelings in Beaverlodge for some, not all.

---

BES IS DETERIORATING AT AN ALARMING RATE. PLEASE LISTEN. 🙏

---

Kids are traveling on the highway twice daily for no reason, too many kids from different communities in one school, poor infrastructure, issues with teachers

---

We would have to consider transferring to St. Marys or homeschooling for 8/9 as we already live out of town and it would be too long for my children on a bus. All their extra curricular activities are in Beaverlodge as well. And honestly CSW days are very inconvenient for us working parents.

---

Safety of our children

---



The draw backs is BES not being utilized.
Doesn't work
Travelling unnecessarily to another town (a town many never even visit) in their formative years, not being involved in their community, parents who work in GP and Beaverlodge having difficulty accessing their children, difficult to grab children to attend activities, longer bus times, more time on dangerous highways while having to leave their community
BES numbers continue to decline, but they will because over the past 10 years (and as a past employee) the level of commitment to the children and community has decreased.
Not repatriating Beaverlodge Grade 7-9 students. The time for change is now!
You are concerned about BES teaching staff hours being decreased but don't seem to have any concern about the HRS teaching staff having similar cutbacks if the students were to remain in BL
None
None. Why fix what isn't broken
Beaverlodge schools are under utilized at all levels. Loss of staffing and resources for all of our kids when we as a community deserve these resources based on our numbers
Enrollment declines in Beaverlodge possibly. Teaching staff reductions. The continuation of combined classes.
Children continue the mass exodus out of PW schools to the well run catholic division.
BES enrollment continued decline; Peace Wapiti continue to lose students to St. Mary's Catholic school, tension between BES and St. Mary's school
BES continues to lose students which includes a loss of staff and adds to the possibility of combined grades. Students will continue to spend more time on the bus than is needed. Parents will chose to school their students at St. Mary rather than send them out of the community to Hythe.
Public education in Beaverlodge will remain dismal
No drawbacks.
None, it's worked for years.
Bussing safety concern and continued cost of bussing. Decline of student to continue. The future of public school in Beaverlodge becomes questionable. Students keep moving to and just starting their education in the catholic system
N/A
PWPSD will continue to bleed Beaverlodge based students to St. Mary catholic school to avoid riding the bus to Hyte everyday.
Continued decline in enrolment at BES
Kids have higher risk being on the highway
Bussing times, loss of students to catholic school

---

Beaverlodge students have to take a bus to hythe (on highway every day). BES will continue to lose students because of this.

---

The closure of schools in Beaverlodge

---

Have to go o to hythe

---

Possibility of losing school as b resident do not want to bus students to hythe

---

Still problems with under-utilized BES and bullying in HRS jr. high

---

Absolutely nothing

---

The same small group of parents who want these changes will still be grumbling no matter what the outcome. Not sure why they think they should change a system that has worked well for many years. It has allowed 2 communities to work together in a great partnership. Why are these parents allowed to try and split up this partnership? Already, they are pushing for a new school in Beaverlodge in one of the scenarios.

---

When comparing scenarios I do not see any drawbacks that outweigh the benefits.

---

Too many kids are being bussed now.

---

None

---

Long days due to bussing, loss of community, less opportunity for making sport teams etc. ( two schools double sport teams, leadership groups etc)

---

We need to modernize, bring things into the new millennium. The old way is old, we need to think of Beaverlodge teachers and students. Sometimes change is a very good thing

---

Nothing. Leave it as is.

---

Peace Wapiti is losing Public Education in Beaverlodge.

---

Bussing children Taking children out of their community Dangerous travelling No established relationship with teachers or peers Less likely to make sports teams

---

I think PWSD continues to disappoint families of Beaverlodge by ignoring the request for a k-9 school in Beaverlodge. It is odd that a town of this size does not provide education for elementary students. It seems that there is a lot of blame on the catholic school in Beaverlodge resulting in dropped enrolment/funding of the Elementary school. However, the root of the problem is PWSD's lack of interest in improving their quality of education and facility within the community of Beaverlodge. If they don't show the interest in improving, residents will continue to turn to the Catholic school.

---

No drawbacks

---

No drawbacks, it is what it is. Leave as is.

---

All the kids loose. I'm sadden by the behaviour of community members in Hythe on social media and some staff at HRS. Comments made by teachers to students have been appalling; this school is already under the microscope with the arrest of one of their EAs earlier in the school year and then to hear teachers are telling students, "if Beaverlodge gets a jr. high, your parents will have custody issues" and "Beaverlodge is a racists community, they don't want to send their kids to HRS because of our Native Population" It is 2023 and we are BETTER than this. If anything I don't want to send my child to a school with teachers who think they can act like this.

---

---

While i understand that the enrolment in the Beaverlodge schools has been declining i do not believe that changing how our kids attend school is the answer to the issue. Has anyone looked at the reasons enrolment has been declining in Beaverlodge and looked at other options to solve the issue. I don't believe that there are any drawback to the current scenario.

---

More complaining by Beaverlodge, as they have for years,

---

BLG will not felt heard and continue to be racist in all school conversations and in sporting activities

---

Some beaverlodge families may be very unhappy. The battle to separate has been on going, and will continue to do so. Back when this first started it was common for racists folk to say they didn't want their kids going to school with the reservation kids. To think even in the middle of truth and reconciliation, Canadians coming together to support the fight to find these unmarked Graves, wearing orange on Canada day out of respect, and our community thinks plotting a segregation movement is a good idea.

---

People will continue to choose st Mary's.....as I did myself due to the above choice

---

BES keeps losing Students to St Mary's because they want to utilize a junior high in their home town and BES closes and therefore HRS loses Beaverlodge anyway

---

There is none

---

BES Council will be mad

---

Both Hythe and Beaberlodge students drive for 3 years between junior high and high school

---

The drawbacks of this scenario are such that our rural Beaverlodge children are spending an unreasonable amount of time being bussed to school. It is difficult to support the school sports of my child when they go to school in another town than where I live. Ask yourself how far your child lives from the school they attend? Would it seem reasonable that they travel on multiple buses a day over hundreds of kilometres a week to a distant town? Let's go, keep our kids local.

---

Continued bussing of the majority of students down a dangerous highway. Broken connection with the students community at a young age. Peace Wapiti would continue to lose students to the Catholic School system. The families that have chose to move their children are our friends and family members. Their reason for moving are strictly to utilize the junior high that is in our hometown. My daughter has experienced most of her friends moving to the Catholic school and is struggling with finding her new normal. All students who are bussed will continue to experience increased bussing times to accomodate the transfer to Hythe.

---

Everything. Change needs to happen now. Not yesterday.

---

Prefer scenario 2

---

BES would experience a sharp decline in enrollment and the quality of education at BES. Over time, public education would cease to exist in the town of Beaverlodge at the K-9 level.

---

This Scenario Negatively effects Beaverlodge Elementary Students.

---

Beaverlodge kids have to be bussed

---

Loss of funding to a non inclusive catholic school that is, for some reason, publicly funded. Thus dividing public funding as a whole and causing the education system and our children to suffer

---

---

Busing times for students would remain high. Students are leaving their home community and their sense of belonging. They may not have the same level of respect for the spaces and people. They do not have a "safe" place/person to go outside of the school if needed. Some students would not be able to join sports teams if their parents are unable to travel to pick them up after school hours. The continued decrease in enrolment at the Beaverlodge Elementary school due to the lack of a junior high option within the public board. This has already resulted in a decrease in teaching/support staff and detrimental classroom configurations having to be utilized (ie, multiple teachers for 1 single class, combining two classes for a period of the day making for a large class size)

---

Beaverlodge parents don't have enough control of what is going on with their young children

---

Beaverlodge students continue to be bused up the highway....a situation that puts them in unnecessary danger

---

As mentioned above and throughout this survey, I believe there needs to be a change to better suit our children, their families and communities and to ensure they receive the best possible education possible. If that means making some changes to the current scenario, then changes need to be made.

---

No drawbacks

---

Is none

---

I don't see any drawbacks

---

None

---

Drawback is that beaverlodge parents will revisit this issue in future years to come for reasons that are not stated as their underlying mandate (having students from a First Nations reservation attending HRS)

---

Students are still bussing and parents are still having to drive to Hythe to pick up their children.

---

Doesn't make sense to ship our students to a different community for jr high. Leave them in Beaverlodge

---

These kids should not be bussed from the town with the majority of the population to another town to go to school.

---

Too much time spent on school buses and travelling for kids. Especially at this age. Also more dangerous. I would think it must cost more as well for peace Wapiti.

---

Majority of students bused Transition between communities can be very hard on some students. Longer days due to transportation. Busy single lane highway that students needlessly must travel

---

reduction in students and staff at BES means less quality available

---

Waiting lists for St. Mary's means Beaverlodge students are forced to attend HRS for Jr. High. HRS as it is, is a toxic school and social environment, and students should have the right to alternative options.

---

No drawbacks. More options for the kids and specialized teachers

---

Local schools not being utilized, kids not in their own community, \$ leaving local community, too much times on busses for kids

---

I don't want my kids to have to bus to and from Hythe.

---

Not sure I can see a drawback for students who have access to a strong, diverse education?

---

• BL students will be bussed for three years (just the way Hythe and HL students will be bussed for their high school years).

---

---

There should be no reason that the junior high is going to another town for schooling when we are able to accommodate them here. It is better for the town and in the best interests of the kids to keep them in beaverlodge.

---

Students will not be given the option to attend public school 7-9 within their community. Many will choose to switch to the catholic school system. Many already have.

---

We will lose much of our Public School population in Beaverlodge as many families have already and will continue to flood over to the Catholic school System. Students will not be able to participate in after school programs as many do not have the option for alternate travel to Hythe.

---

None. Beaverlodge doesn't get a second new k-9 school

---

BES take the bus (like all the students from Valhalla, Horse Lake First Nation, Hythe, Elmworth, and Wembley have to when they go to BRHS)

---

Beaverlodge students miss hometown opportunities and extra-curriculars. Additional travel on highway for majority of students

---

Not working towards utilizing existing schools in BL and continuing to lose school populations due to students attending St. Mary's vs PW schools

---

Resident of Beaverlodge, unnecessary travel and scheduling requirements.

---

Travel and continued long days

---

Kids don't develop a strong sense of community, days are too long with bussing, after school jobs aren't an option, decline in enrolment means less \$\$ in our community

---

I went to hythe for school for Junior high and I resided in Beaverlodge. I felt disconnected from my family and community. It was hard to adjust to another community. My parents worked until 6pm in Beaverlodge and I couldn't play on the schools sports teams I wanted to because they couldn't pick be up. It was not easy and I feel like is missed out and so do my children now 20 years later.

---

Peace Wapiti would continue to lose students to St Mary school. Eventually the viability of both BES and HRS would be affected due to small student population. Students would also continue to spend too much time on the bus.

---

Public system will likely continue to lose students to Catholic

---

Bussing more kids to hythe and decreased enrolment in bes

---

Larger class sizes at HRS

---

Busing is a HUGE concern and makes me nervous everyday that my child rides the bus in HWY 43 twice daily. In 2021 there were over 9000 vehicles on that route daily. It's so dangerous.

---

Students continue to be bussed back and forth to Hythe.

---

Nothing. There are schools available in the area.

---

Beaverlodge will never shut up about it

---

I fail to understand the draw backs of leaving things as they are. If they are losing teachers at BES what will the implications be to the staffing at HRS if these children are sent elsewhere.

---

---

Drawbacks are no room for growth. Upsetting children's schedules and comfort with changing schools unnecessarily

---

The obvious low enrollment of students at BES.

---

None

---

Only the bussing but no matter what bussing has to happen.

---

If BES can not continue operating as is due to lowered enrollment, I feel merging BES and HRS would be detrimental to the students education due to larger class sizes, longer transportation times for younger children, less personable,

---

Beaverlodge enrollment continues to drop as more Wembley 10, 11 and 12 decide to go the Grande Prairie Composite High. Families are not moving into Beaverlodge because taxes are extremely high to own a property in town

---

Beaverlodge families will not get what they have always wanted and fought for since I was in HRS. Beaverlodge won't have the option for segregation. Their kids will be forced to choose between catholic or a mixed community school. Hythe will still receive funding that benefits preteens from hythe, hl, wembly, BL , and surrounding area.

---

None

---

Bussing ia alway expensive. Mind you if the BHS went to the compressed Fridays that would certainly save on bussing expenses.

---

I honestly was shocked when I learned of the ramifications of this scenario (bus time, lack of extracurriculars, removed from community, etc.) and I truly think this needs to be changed ASAP!

---

Increased risk to students on busses on increasingly busy 2-lane highway, considerably more time one busses, increased transportation costs where dollars could be better spent, challenge for parents/guardians for extra-curricular activities and personal care needs, fatigue on children due to extending periods of times on busses that are already excessive.

---

As stated above, the existing school BES will continue to decrease student population and teaching staff. St Mary will continue to grow beyond its infrastructure and kids will continue to have to travel more than necessary. There are all draw back in the existing configuration.

---

Beaverlodge Families are choosing against this by enrolling their Children at St.Mary's. Beaverlodge Elementary is dwindling away.

---

We continue to lose students and teachers, our kids remain on the dangerous highway. They miss out on community events, there days are longer.

---

Hythe could use more funding and continue to upgrade the facility

---

Some people will be unhappy

---

Beaverlodge students do not get the benefits of being schooled in their own community

---

Country and town kids have long bus rides on roads that are treacherous in the winter time and it decreases enrollment in BES and BRHS

---

Safety of students. Beaverlodge Elementary and Beaverlodge High continue to be initialized.

---

Time for change

---

---

Long bus rides

---

The argument is about safety. Is it busing? No. That's not an issue. The issue is racism. And that's the issue. The cowards that represent this issue will never say it but I will.

---

It isn't great for Blodge students to bus to Hythe.

---

This is a broken system and there is no need for a regional junior high. too young.

---

Both my children attended HRS for Junior High and having to retrieve them from another town for school activities was very difficult.

---

N/A. Are there drawbacks to keeping this course? Yes-however these drawbacks are not for the scenario, but rather the sad truth that there are just not enough resources, and honestly-probably poorly utilized resources-all of which are issues that I am sure almost all schools struggle with.

---

In my opinion, there are only good things if it remains the same. There will only breed resentment if BES gets a new school and will fuel a ridiculous rivalry that Beaverlodge feels towards Hythe.

---

Keep losing local students from B.E.S to St. Mary's. Loss of students for 7-9 for local Beaverlodge events throughout the school year

---

Beaverlodge junior high in hythe. It is a way smaller area and beaverlodge is a big enough town that we should not be sending junior high students to another town let alone something smaller. It is also not feasible for parents to drive 20 minutes to hythe for an emergency

---

Staying within the community would be better. Having to take bus to hythe and back is draining for kids who already have to ride a bus to Beaverlodge school first thing/after school.

---

they have to travel to hythe

---

None that I can see

---

Students leave our division to put their children in the Catholic system so they can stay in their community

---

I would say busing from Beaverlodge to Hythe and back... but Hythe & other communities with students do this when they reach high school.

---

Negligible

---

No draw backs as this is how it's been for years and no problems

---

Funding and bussing shortages for BES.

---

Still a large amount of time spent on a bus for local Jr high students

---

Busing, and broken connections from their home community. Us parents are tired of retrieving our children from after school athletics. Its not safe travelling the busy highway.

---

Beaverlodge will continue in decline, student population will continue transferring to St. Mary's Catholic until eventual closure of public system

---

Students are still being bussed to a community with less than half the population. Students still don't have extra curricular in their own community. Some of Beaverlodge rural students still are in the bus for 3+ hours a day. If the system stays the way it is you'll see more decline in population in the public system. I moved my kids to the Catholic school just to keep them in Beaverlodge....and o know a lot of parents who did the same.

---

Absolutely not a single thing
Student burnout from long bus times
More kids on buses. Underutilized space.
More bussing for some students.
BES does not care about student well being. They are not equipped nor interested in making a learning environment that is caring and inclusive. We had friends whos daughter was punished for reading in class. There are teachers at BES that are the cause of the students leaving to other schools. I DO NOT want my children being taught in a school that doesn't believe in science and had a principal that actively denied COVID and masking mandates. There are so many reasons why BES should not get these children.
Students will transfer to the community junior high. Or begin their schooling there instead of the public BES. The declining enrolment will continue. As well as possible risks of the highway bussing.
NONE
Its isnt working and the declining enrollment proves it.
Declining funding and teachers. Danger busing majority of students to another community doesn't make any sense.
THIS IS NOT WORKIN AT ALL. TIME FOR CHANGE.
Families will have kids in several schools.
Many parents are pulling their children from BES because of the bussing issue and having to uproot their kids come grade 7
None
Issue if there is bad weather or appointments/kids get sick
Why would we leave something the same if it's not working to it's maximum potential Why wouldn't we change this dynamic which has been brought up several times over the years, when it's clear there is a problem
it would not work I prefer to have my child stay in beaverlodge and not go all the way to hythe when there is not much options when my child hits grade 7 I prefer my child to stay in beaverlodge
No drawbacks at all.
Costs,
Longer bus rides
Beaverlodge is in need of a new education facility to replace BES. St. Mary's has taken a good percentage of students from BES, and with a new facility I feel we would attract some of those students back, along with the realigning of keeping K-8 in BES.
Kids would be stuck bussing to Hythe
Has been a miracle we haven't had a major accident busing kids to Hythe. Has been at least one close call!
Taking Beaverlodge students out of their community, lots of kids are unable to attend extra curricular school events, bussing the majority of the kids to Hythe from Beaverlodge just doesn't make sense, students aren't able to attend events in their own community



---

Beaverlodge will continue to lose students to St.Mary's because parents want to keep their children in Beaverlodge. Busing costs to the district have to keep coming from instructional budgets, instead of going towards instruction. Students will continue to be on a highway that has become considerably more busy with bigger and heavier traffic.

---

Bussing kids out of the community they reside doesn't make sense. Also, unnecessary risk when roads are bad. Not utilizing community resources. Makes extra curricular activities challenging for parents who reside in Beaverlodge.

---

Spending needless amounts of money bussing

---

Peace Wapiti is losing their Public Elementary School in Beaverlodge.

---

Students travelling on a busy highway to school. Students having to uproot from their own community and losing their sense of being part of our town. Missing out of community events because they aren't here.

---

My kids will have to transfer to hythe for jr high. I do not like that they are not within our community, I dislike the fact their transportation increases.

---

Kids will continue to spend extra time to travel to hythe every day and take away from their learning

---

Bussing kids unnecessarily. Lack of community connection for grade 7-9 students. Additional instructional hours for our kids.

---

harder for multiple siblings in transportation needs on families harder for extracurricular sports/school sports more expensive on school board potentially with busing kids farther away kids have to go to 3 schools, 3 seperate transitions unstead of 2

---

Not sure

---

None

---

Less funding for the school. Continued long commutes for students that only adds to the everyday pressures in our world today, leaving students tired and unable to focus on school activities.

---

Small school numbers and lack of teachers. My grade 5 student has 5 different teachers and doesn't see "his" teacher until afternoons

---

No Drawbacks.

---

-Student safety from busing on a busy highway twice a day. -Time spent busing 2/3 of the student population to another community -A sense of displacement and a feeling like a fish out of water in another community, school and staff at a very influential age and maturity. -Treated by the local students and teachers as outsiders and having a different set of rules from the local students who are already in Hythe. -Availability of parents to constantly be on the highway to Hythe numerous times per week for all sports and family support. -The current scenario is utterly FOOLISH and has NO benefits for the Students from the community of Beaverlodge. -THE TIME IS NOW TO CHANGE. THE SCENARIO IS BROKEN AND SHOULD HAVE NEVER HAPPENED IN THE FIRST PLACE. WHY WOULD YOU BUS THE MAJORITY OF STUDENTS TO ANOTHER COMMUNITY? KEEP THEM HOME!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

---

Having to pay for busing between the two communities

---

The Hythe and likely St. Mary's school are overwhelmed.

---

The student numbers would keep going down, we could possibly lose more teachers, which then will take a toll on classes and how they are grouped. We could eventually lose our school in my opinion. As a Beaverlodge community

---

---

member I do not feel comfortable with having my kids on the bus, on a single lane highway (major highway might I add) every school day. I might consider moving them to the Catholic school so they can stay within our community.

---

The entire set up is a drawback for Beaverlodge students. They have longer bussing times and shorter breaks compared to students who can remain in their community. We are seeing an impact in mental health where Beaverlodge students are displaced into another community. Teachers claiming the "bad kids" come from Beaverlodge. Parents are struggling to get their kids too and from extra curricular and are also traveling on a busy highway to do so increasing their safety risk. Driving is one of the top risks at a workplace and I imagine that translates to this scenario as well. This needs to stop. Maybe next the school board should look at bussing Grande Prairie students to Beaverlodge? It would never happen because it makes no sense financially, safety wise or for the sake of students mental health.

---

It makes absolutely no sense to bus children from a larger community to a smaller community. Keep our children in their respective communities with the least amount of transitions. The current scenario is seeing a trending decline in enrollment in the public school sector and an increase in the catholic school enrollment It is literally killing our local public school. Beaverlodge parents do not want this you can see that with the current trend. We should have more of a say in our children's future as we are a majority. It has been reported that 2/3 of Hythe regional junior high students are from Beaverlodge. The school division should be looking at the costs of buying that many students and realizing it just doesn't financially make sense and it's not safe! We have had peace waiting school busses in accidents on that busy highway-if this doesn't change I will likely look into sending my child into the Catholic School division. My child's safety is paramount and I'm a working parent that will have major challenges to deal with school activities in another community

---

If it's functioning well then why change it

---

-Continue losing students to the Catholic School. -Kids spending time on buses on a dangerous highway for no reason -inconvenient for parents of Beaverlodge kids with extra-curricular -kids miss out on community events and amenities for 3 very formative years of their youth

---

Beaverlodge kids would still have to be bused to Hythe

---

Other schools won't be filled up and 9s won't have as much freedom

---

The busing will be a missive draw back because with all this extra bussing it is a very big risk and way more money.

---

Leave as is.

---

St Mary's will continue to be too full. Students who have no interest in religious studies will continue to be forced into it. Beaverlodge elementary will continue to lose students because st Mary's will only take all students not just the junior high students. Beaverlodge students will continue to have to stand around waiting for the transfer buses.

---

It's dangerous putting kids on highway unnecessarily. Learning is disrupted by travel times. Less involved in community events. Puts a strain on family dynamic. Effects elementary school poorly.

---

Already answered above

---

None

---

I guess Beaverlodge elementary would continue to have less students than st Mary's

---

Dangerous bussing on busy highways. Under utilization of schools as catholic school continues to pull students away.

---

---

This same argument will return in 20 years. It is cyclical. There is a real possibility that BES continues to decline and suffers as a result. I don't want my community to lose its elementary school. When schools die, so do communities.

---

Leave school configuration as is

---

Only drawback are long bus rides for country kids

---

Regardless of scenario there are going to be split classes. Do you take from Hythe and give to Beaverlodge. You're just moving the problem

---

To much travel for some students and parents. There are other facilities in Beaverlodge that could be utilized more. The pool, curling rink and sports grounds.

---

Going to lose our elementary school as people want there kids in there community.so more people will go to st Mary's

---

Eventually there won't be enough student. Students don't get the opportunity to attend all their school year win their own community

---

There needs to be more support for teaching staff and more teaching staff at BES.

---

This would leave this area resistant to change, as it has been for many years, and a serious disservice to the students of these communities. They are all together socially outside of school, in sports and leisure activities so the arguing socialization is mute

---

Kids have too much bus time, BES not getting proper amount of teachers

---

Less chance for students to meet new people

---

There are no drawbacks as this system is very functional and does not need to be changed

---

I see no drawbacks

---

nothing

---

BES enrollment declines, number of staff decline, and school remains outdated. Classes remain large, EAs are spread thin.

---

More pressure on the kids in grade 7. Traveling.

---

None.

---

NA

---

,

---

Travelling on road ways in buses with many traffic hazards

---

It doesn't work for all families, kids are farther away in emergencies, dangerous roads in the winter, school on hythe isn't as good

---

Continued decline in enrollment pushing more kids to the catholic school

---

Kids bussing to hythe makes their day longer, takes them out of their hometown, makes family life abc activities harder. Our bus is often cancelled and it would make it hard for us working parents to get kids to where they need to go. With kids in hythe and not their hometown

---

---

Kids on the terrible highways, not close to home and much longer days for kids. More of an inconvenience to parents. We live in Beaverlodge and want our children going to school there from K-12

---

Road safety concern. Time wasted in buses. Not remaining in their home town for community events such as parades and festivals. Further from home for sports pick ups and if parents needed.

---

No drawbacks that I can see

---

Everything. My child has to leave the community every school day, drive a dangerous highway twice a day and if they're sick or forgot something I then have to leave work for an hour verses 10 mins. The teachers currently working in the junior high have no passion or care left for the BES students.

---

EVERYTHING! If the board leaves it the way it is, the schools will continue to decline as parents pull their kids. We have many more options now a days, schools in GP, St. Mary's, homeschooling, schooling online. Families moving to Sexsmith, Clairmont, Wembley instead.

---

All the kids should be able to stay in their own community to go to school from k-12 and this is not happening right now The Children should be first and foremost and they ARE NOT in this current situation

---

BES is losing enrollment.

---

Beaverlodge schools losing students. Teaching jobs gone. Transportation being left in a mess.

---

I don't like that kids need to be on the main highway to get bussed to Hythe and it's more difficult to run pick up sick children etc.

---

I do not want my children going to school in hythe. I have never felt comfortable with this scenario but don't have another option other then the catholic school. Our children have good friends at the elementary school and I would want to take them away from them just to put them in a catholic school that doesn't align with our families religious beliefs. We live in the country and our children already have a long bus ride. Now add on travelling all the way to hythe. That is extra time and travel and it adds a lot of stress for safety reasons too! I am so happy to hear that there are scenarios being discussed so that our children could complete school fully in Beaverlodge which is where we chose for them to go to school in the first place. Children shouldn't be switched schools and have to go to hythe just because the grades aren't available in Beaverlodge right now

---

We risk losing students to other school choices that will keep them in the community and they will not get opportunities to do things in the community (swimming lessons, skating, etc). They currently only get 1 20 minute break per day, not conducive to better learning for kids who need breaks to move around to help stay focused.

---

Students are bussed for nearly an hour on a busy highway in less than optimal conditions. Higher bussing costs, Beaverlodge losses students to the Catholic division

---

No comment

---

Student detachment to school and community. Possible horrific scenarios as the highway toward Demmit to the gas plant and to BC are incredibly busy compared to years before. The semi and truck traffic is only going to increase even more as our economy returns back to the boom cycle. This is a constant worry for parents and the community having their students/kids on the highway in horrid Albertan winters.

---

Bussing the kids back and forth

---

No drawbacks

---

None that I can think of

---

---

High school and elementary continue to lose teachers. Bigger classes and less options for classes to choose from.

---

BES has declining numbers still. But I do not understand how them having declining numbers, makes it okay to take away a large amount of HRS numbers for 7-9...

---

I think the kids suffer greatly if this continues. They should be able to stay in our community with a properly staffed school. We have considered leaving to enroll in the catholic school if this doesn't change.

---

BES enrolment is down. Maybe the school needs to look at why that is. The school can be affected greatly by the mix of staff and the way the school is run. I don't know think adding another grade to fix the problem is the answer. Maybe staff and programming needs to be reevaluated.

---

It doesn't make sense for grade 7-9 Beaverlodge students to be bussed to another town to go to school when they could stay in their own community for school.

---

Beaverlodge students having to travel to Hythe. Reduction in students in public system as parents want children to remain in the community and will transfer children to the Catholic system to avoid children attending school in Hythe. Reduced student numbers causing a reduction in staffing numbers which results in split classes. NOT ideal for students nor staff.

---

Busing to Hythe, losing kids to St Mary's because parents don't want their children to go to Hythe. Longer day for students because of transfers.

---

None

---

Travel

---

BES can't attract local students and has lost funding for teachers and programming. My Son in Grade 5 has to be taught by 5 separate teachers due to lack of funding for a full time teacher. We can't compete with St. Mary's. Beaverlodge Families are choosing St. Mary's because they offer grades 7-9 and their kids stay off the Highway. Bottom Line BES is dwindling away under the watch of Peace Wapiti.

---

Bussing children to and from hythe when there accessible facilities in Beaverlodge

---

None

---

Our kids have to keep busing on the busy highway when there's room for them in Beaverlodge

---

There are none

---

There are no draw backs

---

Cost of running the buses, safety for passengers on the bus and at the school

---

I don't see any drawbacks. These kids all go to school together from 7-12 creating life long friendships

---

Children spend less time in school and more time transporting. Loss of more children to St Mary's school

---

None

---

I see no drawbacks. If transportation to Hythe for Blodge junior high students is a concern, would that not also be a concern then for Hythe and Horse Lake students who have to be transported to Beaverlodge for High School?

---

BL public school will continue to lose enrolment and the catholic school will continue to have oversized classes

---

None

---

N/A
Bussing Beaverlodge junior highs to hythe.
Beaverlodge elementary reduced population
Dangerous roads and kids further away for events and emergencies
We continue excessive time, risk and money spent on bussing and inconvenience to families. Makes a stronger community to educate children where they live.
Beaverlodge schools are not at capacity but the growth of the community could be why enrolment is dropping.
I don't want my child traveling on highway to get to junior high
Underutilization of Beaverlodge schools. Busing times and risks. Less community participation for Beaverlodge kids. More difficult for Beaverlodge parents to attend school sports and other functions.
Need to look at lost enrolment and address that situation without increasing numbers with junior high students
-Children have the leave beaverlodge for education. -Pick up/drop offs/calls about sick children cause an issue with working parents -children have less time in a day due to unnecessary travel. -children travelling the highway during winter months when there are other schools who would accommodate them to avoid this.
Losing FTE of teachers, students leaving the district for the Catholic board to avoid bussing further
Bussing is a costly and more dangerous approach to this scenario. The less kids on the highway in any given day, the better it is.
More students going to other schools because parents don't want them travelling on the highway by bus to school
Kids have to bus to Hythe. Roads are icy in the winter and it doesn't make sense
Beaverlodge students don't get to stay in the community. Projected enrolment at BES May continue to trend down
I just typed that the box prior. To leave configuration as it is, it is all a draw back! Financially running busses to/fr Hythe filled with Beaverlodge is ridiculous Financially speaking not to mention dangerous highway when it's not necessary.
Students will still need to travel to Hythe, they shouldn't need to travel that road with that risk to attend school.
Beaverlodge parents see Hythe as a k-9 school and understandably want that in their community. If you know the school, you see that it is k-6 and 7-9 in two separate sides of a large building. This study is costing a lot of money and there will always be vocal people wanting change who do not think about what is best for the students. By many, this is seen as a racist driven proposal
Decrease in number of students Kids will miss out on events happening within the town and community involvement. Teachers will be stretched thin. Inconvenience for parents to send kids to hythe
The expansion of grades in the schools will keep more students in the peace wapiti division, leaving things as is can continue the trend of decline.
Busing for the kids, parents having to drive all the way to Hythe if their kid is sick and they work in GP, no room for expansion of Beaverlodge schools. CHANGE IS GOOD!
Peace wapiti needs to higher more teachers, the over sized classes are unacceptable. And note that st. Mary's is also facing over sized classes as well.

Lack of funding only will worsen
I will have kids in hythe and it's beaverlodge. Bussing/ scheduling will be difficult
Busing
Still transporting students on a dangerous 2 lane highway everyday.
Having unnecessary travel for our 7-9 children
Our children are forced to either leave their families and community for an education or switch to a catholic education. I am not Catholic but will switch my child to the catholic school system rather than have him go to a different town and community during his most formative emotional and social years.
My kids will have to leave the community to attend school. I don't like the idea of winter travel that isn't needed for bussing purposes.
Leave it as is
Safety of children
none
I see no drawbacks. Insane that this issue is still being debated after 30 years! Leave the schools the way they are please
Certain people will continue to complain, as has been the case for decades. As uncomfortable as it is to admit, there is a definite racial dimension to all of this. People discuss it at the hockey arena and around campfires. It is hidden beneath arguments of convenience and safety, yet is a big underlying factor. As far as true educational drawbacks, there are none.
Losing students continues
No drawbacks. This is in the best interest for all kids
None.
Beaverlodge students will remain at risk traveling to and from Hythe. Some Beaverlodge students will continue to be denied access to after school activities.
None
I like the system the way it is it's worked great for my self and my Children. Both my Children are currently in the public school system and would be affected and I feel it's been working great the way it is.
Bussing in an area that is full Of heavy truck traffic and less than ideal road conditions is unnecessary. Statistically driving is the most dangerous thing that everyone does each day. Thankfully we haven't had an incident yet..... I say yet because everyone will take this seriously when we loose a bus full Of students needlessly bussed to outlying communities
None!
None
I don't see drawbacks
I think changing things would create more problems then solve them

---

Bussing kids out of town

---

All drawbacks.

---

None. Leave as is. Is working perfectly fine now.

---

There is none.

---

loosing educators and funding because of low enrollment making it more difficult for the students that do stay

---

The drawback I understand is lack of numbers in Beaverlodge, however, I feel as though this is not only because of the junior high being in hythe

---

Our school numbers continue to dwindle and more families attend the Catholic school. This in turn would affect Hythe Regional School. Negative future for Peace Wapiti all around.

---

Beaverlodge students have to leave their own community & families which is detrimental to their development. They miss out on many important community and family events. The children & their families have to under go daily stresses of bus riding especially in poor weather conditions.

---

EVERYTHING! We will continue to lose kids and families in our community.

---

None

---

Beaverlodge will be upset but students education will remain sound.

---

Our children should not have to travel on the hiway to school when we have space to accommodate and help increase enrollment in our community.

---

Still bussing, unsafe, reduces student community involvement

---

The Catholic school growth is unsustainable on their end. The decline of enrollment in BES is at the detriment of the students

---

As mentioned numbers continue to drop at BES Not sure why there would be combined classes for non-core when other schools as able to manage a similar senario

---

A broken continuity of care and development of relationships between students and teachers.

---

Limits growth in Beaverlodge - BES will continue losing students to the separate school.

---

Loss of students to the Catholic school system. Loss of jobs in BES AND HRS. More mental health concerns with students.....changing schools to a community they are not used to can be quite traumatic for some. Broken relationships. Bussing costs. The chance of a bus accident on a major hiway. A long time spent on the bus for a lot of students. The chance of losing Peace Wapiti students to home schooling or a different school division.

---

Bussing way too many kids back and forth. Moving kids out of their home community and farther away from services and parents.

---

Space in the schools and grants. Hythe would lose students and grants

---

Continue losing existing from BES/HRS to the Catholic school. More new parents registering children in Catholic school from the beginning. Children continue to be on the bus for long hours and on unsafe Highway multiple times a day. Parents spending more time and money driving and picking up children from Hythe to get to beaverlodge in time for after school activities. Under utilization of our BES and BRHS buildings .

---



---

That highway should be a huge factor, there have been many fatal accidents over the years. The school board should be taking steps to eliminate unnecessary stress on parents and students. Utilizing the schools in Beaverlodge for Beaverlodge students should be the #1 priority

---

Bussing and student safety. Student outings remain limited while located in Hythe. Continue losing students to Catholic school

---

Children are traveling on the highway 8-10 times a week during the worst weather and busiest times of day. Add 2 more times for the shop kids. We are wasting a ton of money on bussing and putting our kids life at risk for no reason. Bussing our kids to a different community is and has been nothing but inconvenient, dangerous at times, ridiculous and unnecessary

---

Students having to go to Hythe

---

The loss of teaching staff is never a good thing. However the programming at the higher level of education is very important and so I feel we cannot afford to lose out by splitting the funding resulting in the fact we may not be able to supply all the resources the students need.

---

There are no drawbacks. I truly believe if Beaverlodge and Hythe worked together and supported and complimented all three PW schools we would quit losing students to the Catholic system and to the GP schools. The school need to promote all PW schools and speak about all the wonderful things all the schools have to offer. In discouraging and speaking against HRS and the student population and spreading of half truths all that is happening is people are feeling they need to pull their students to another district. PW is truly the best District. I have had my children in three different districts and this is by far the most compassionate, inclusive and supportive of all cultures and beliefs that I have experienced.

---

Students have to leave their community and go into an enviroment that they are very unfamiliar with. We cross this bridge in another 8-10 years.

---

More kids leave BeS

---

Enrolment continues to decline, leaving less opportunities for students.

---

Beaverlodge students will always be on the highway and it is difficult for Beaverlodge parents to pcik up their children from extra curricular activities after school.

---

Enrolment will continue to decline and we will continue to lose funding for staff, programs, etc.

---

BES would continue to be bussed.

---

No drawbacks

---

Bussing the kids out of their community for 3 years,

---

None

---

No drawback

---

BES would continue losing students to St Mary's school in Beaverlodge. Hythe school would continue losing students to St Mary's school and BRHS would continue losing programs to St. Mary's school. This scenario damages all of the schools in the Town of Beaverlodge which is an active, vibrant and independent community.

---

Travel time and costs. Longer school day.

---

BES would decline. Bussing.

---

---

Bigger class sizes, students being transported in a buss when they might not have to if they attended school in beaverlodge. Not all parents drive or transportation is limited so picking up students when I'll or getting parent teacher interviews (and such scenarios) make it hard for parents to deal with.

---

The deterioration of BES, staff and students. Obviously parents are uncomfortable with bussing if their changing their students over to St.Mary's school.

---

Current trends show parents flocking to St.Mary's catholic school to avoid busing students to another community. Resulting in the public school losing funding due to a decline in attendance/enrollment. I am a full time single working parent and having my child in another community will be very challenging for me. My child will be impacted by possibly not being able to participate in extra curricular. She will be bused on a busy highway with a history of accidents of Peace Wapiti Busses. He education continuity, mental health and confidence will be impacted by uprooting her to a new community. The current situation is me questioning sending her to the catholic school. I don't want to but prefer my child in the community I live and work in. I want my child in close proximity to a hospital. I want her to have access to more facilities (eg.swimming lessons) and feel like Hythe cannot offer that. If they did they would be busing my child more on a busy highway. It just doesn't make sense and I haven't heard of a larger community busing kids to a smaller community. I feel like Hythe can keep their students in Hythe and Beaverlodge keep their students in their community.

---

Three bus loads of students will continue to travel a busy two lane high way twice daily. When the initial arrangement to do this was made about 50 years ago, the traffic on this high way looks a lot different than it does today. When I travelled to Hythe yesterday, I met 51 vehicles and 21 of those were semi trucks. My concern is for the safety of the students.

---

Our junior high students will continue to be put at risk by being transported.

---

Kids still have to travel to school outside of their hometown on bad roads

---

Beaverlodge students are bussed and Beaverlodge schools continue to see declines.

---

## Tell us what the future might look like to you

---

I'd like to keep my kids in our community . Home school would be an option instead of busing to hythe

---

It is time to put this issue to rest. Schools should be community centred it is more important nowadays than ever before. Kids need to remain in their home communities to enable community participation and tie families closer to their children's educational experiences

---

Offer 2 options for parents, if they want their children to go to hythe have that choice, if not implement the k-8 9-12 program and utilize existing facilities

---

Leave things the way they are!

---

We already have grounds for a new school to be built in Beaverlodge. Build the new school first and then make the BES a k-8 and the BRHS 9-12.

---

In many ways our schools are the centre of our communities. As a grandparent, I know how short the time is that we can interact with our children when they are young. 12 years old is too young.

---

---

Hopefully a Viable future for Public Education in Beaverlodge . Beaverlodge could be an attractive option for Families. BES could be back on the Capital Plan. Then we could see a Future for Beaverlodge Public Education. Otherwise it's looking pretty dismal.

---

Keep the schools as they are for now and then when a new JR high is needed because the current, new Jr High in Hythe is falling apart revisit the location. But until then keep it as is. I actually know a PW parent that recently moved to Beaverlodge and put her 4 children into St Marys because she did not want the possibility of them entering the high school any sooner then need be.

---

Instead of pitting one school against the other, I really wish the PWPSD stood up and said, "hey, WE are losing enrollment numbers. If we don't figure out how to make our 3 schools work, we will lose them." Then the fantastic people in both communities could have come together and proposed ideas for all!

---

Look good with a junior high being local again

---

Beaverlodge needs a dedicated Jr High School (7-9) like PW said we'd get in the past!

---

I think that if PWPSD doesn't make a serious change. The people of Beaverlodge will build a public charter school K-12 and PWPSD will no longer have students or Teachers. This situation is vital and should have been properly addressed decades ago. We are in this mess now because the wrong decision was made.

---

Beaverlodge students staying in Beaverlodge for their education.

---

My kids staying in Beaverlodge for all of their school years

---

Is it just the Gr 9's in Beaverlodge, or would there be a move to make high school 9-12 for the whole surrounding community?

---

Scenario 2 is best option

---

I would like to see us embrace technology and try to offer world experiences from our local schools. Can we partner with larger sites to access introductory classes in other languages, cultural education by offering cooking options through virtual chefs with TA's. Universities are changing their approaches- perhaps it is time for other schools to work with higher levels if technology as well to enhance the in classroom opportunities.

---

I think we need address the underlying issue as to why this scenario keeps coming up. This is not the first instance of Beaverlodge residents wanting to distance themselves from the community of Hythe and we should examine the underlying reasons. I wonder if the Horse Lake Reserve has anything to do with people not wanting their children going to school in Hythe. I hate to think that in this day and age that racism could be a factor but I believe it is.

---

I feel that the system is working well, the public system needs to ensure that there is something being offered that families want to be part of. I appreciate how it is currently set up and my children like the system as it is. I look forwards to hearing what will be offered within the current grade allocations

---

Stop revisiting this racist, elitist suggestion every 20 years. It tears communities apart. If bes is losing students to Catholic division, offer quality innovative educational programming.

---

Beaverlodge students staying in Beaverlodge will allow for more of the child's time spent in class or at home or sports rather than travelling on buses or waiting for a bus. The CSW's would be eliminated and provide a regular schedule for the students and parents; which can be difficult to accommodate or expensive for parents that work full time. I would like to see my children stay in Beaverlodge attending classes at BES and BRHS. A new Beaverlodge elementary/junior high school school would be welcome, and from what I hear it is over due. It's time for change.

---

---

I would love to see Beaverlodge fall in line with GP by having K-8, and 9-12.

---

PW Schools need to promote themselves. Talk about the good things that are happening. Turn negative conversations into positives. Instead of whining about a new school in the community stealing kids, create more positives or stimulate conversations about the positives that exist to draw or keep families in our school.

---

I believe leaving the system status quo is the only responsible choice.

---

I like option 2.

---

I would love to see a new K-9 just up the road from current BES. That old trailer court is the perfect spot!!!!

---

It is time for change

---

The reason students choose to go the St. Mary's is because being in the Catholic sitting they have the privilege of having the funds to build a new school. BES is outdated and needs to be either renovated or rebuilt to attract families and teachers to our school and our community. I think BES should remain K-6 or become K-9 with a separate junior high area. I do not think any grades should prematurely go to BRHS unless they separate junior high and high school students. Junior high students are at an age where they experience a lot of emotions and changes they should be able to experience those changes with peers going through the same things and not have any additional stress added to that. They need that time to slowly transition from elementary learning to high school learning.

---

Students staying in their respective communities for their education.

---

My kids will stay in Beaverlodge all 4 of them weather I take them to St Mary's which means 3 less in BES!

---

If gr 9 is to move to BRHS then ALL gr 9 students should be included.. elmworth, hythe, beaverlodge, st Mary, wembley, valhalla... if "keeping up to GP" is the reason for including gr 9 in the high school, then it should be including all communities. Not just beaverlodge

---

Beaverlodge to build additions to both the elementary and the high school to accommodate the needs of the community rather than having students bussed out of town on a dangerous highway

---

Leave school situation as is.

---

Leave it as is.

---

Hopefully down the road a K to 4 and 5- 9 or a new k-8 school in Beaverlodge

---

Why move all 7-9. I'd just move all grade 9 to Beaverlodge high school. Most high schools I've been part of have been 9-12, with the 9-10 as juniors and the 11-12 as seniors especially for sports teams. It's a minor jig to rebalance enrollment and continues the benefits of the current program.

---

Keep it the same way for the healthy development of my children. Please

---

The future may be more prepared to working with the Truth and Reconciliation calls to action #63 -3 "Building student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy and mutual respect.

---

Beaverlodge students to remain in beaverlodge in a school that isn't 70 plus years old.

---

Although the ag, forestry, oil and gas industry are strong here we need to focus on bringing better jobs to our community's to help population growth and to keep our children from having to move to larger urban areas to find good paying jobs

---

Create a k-9 school at BES. Add classrooms if need be but keep Jr. high out of the high school.

---

---

If Peace Wapiti doesn't allow the Public Junior High Kids to remain in Beaverlodge I will follow the masses and Move my kids to St. Mary's.

---

I don't know the right answer to this, but i do know that this conversation between Hythe and Beaverlodge has been going on for years. I don't think through all these years that the education coming out of Hythe has been sub par. I'm pretty sure there have been 100's of students that attended Hythe that have gone on to become very successful

---

Keep the current school buildings. Do the necessary repairs to keep the buildings viable. Hire the right number of teachers and teaching assistants. Support and encourage the staff.

---

Scenario 1 or 2 is ideal

---

I like the idea of BES being a K-9, Hythe a K-9, Elmworth K-9. BRHS retains students from 10-12. I see it's not an option and I'm not sure why not

---

The ideal solution is building a middle school in Beaverlodge, however, that is very likely not feasible at this point in time.

---

Keep it as is, they keep saying it's not safe to bus the kids, so what happens when the Hythe kids get bussed to beaverlodge for high school, it's the exact same thing. Not sure why they are fighting the bussing, so should Hythe fight bussing to beaverlodge, doesn't make sense. Leave the junior high as is, it works for the kids, maybe the parents don't like it but it's what is best for the kids.

---

Build a new Jr High school in Albright. Both sets of kids get bussed 1/2 way. - not practical from the funding and small school size

---

If PWPSD continues to allow this conflict to be discussed my kids will be going to St. Mary's.

---

My children attend all of their education K-12 in the community we live, Beaverlodge.

---

The future is scary with so many ppl thinking only about themselves. Too many narrow mindedness out there. Expand your horizons expose yourself to other cultures

---

Combine long-term / continuing care facility in Hythe / Amisk Court in Beaverlodge with elementary school for community partnerships that benefit both students and seniors. Recreational activities. Reading buddies. Create opportunities to foster multi-generational learning. Increase wellness and mental health. Encourage compassion. More government funding to benefit the communities.

---

Building a new k-8 school in Beaverlodge.

---

Scenario 2 supportive

---

the future should look status quo

---

BES K-9 BHS 10-12

---

If this goes through my children's education looks like it's being broke I see huge mental stress for both hythe students and staff

---

A new high school to be built, leaving the old one for junior high and a new elementary school built with the popluation increase in the area

---

I want my future grandkids not to be bussed to Hythe like I was. I'm looking out for the future.

---

---

I think careful LONG TERM Planning should be in place before they ACT rather than a knee jerk reaction to a few negative people. I firmly believe that this request has come from a few people and I do not believe they have the best interest of their child let alone any other students'. I think the PWSD administration AND the school trustees should very seriously think about ulterior motives of the individuals who brought this proposal forward. Change always is to be considered. We are supposed be tolerant and understanding- maybe we should start with a real effort to work together with all people .

---

Have all the students stay in Beaverlodge k-12

---

We live next door to 2 Elementary aged families who have chose the Catholic School for the reason of being able to remain in the Beaverlodge community. As working parents they are not able to attend functions outside unless time off work or making arrangements for someone else to pick up their children.

---

The future would look like our schools working together and supporting each other within the current configuration. The BES school council is not showing support for our schools. This needs to change in order for all of our schools to be strong and offer the best education to our children.

---

Charter School, a school of choice. A volunteer operated board which is more economically feasible and better for tax payers. A k-12 public charter school of choice.

---

We will be absolutely considering long term enrollment options when choosing schools in the fall and picking an option with less family and location all disruption

---

Kids who want to go to their home town school should have the ability to do so which will help them accept school as it should be.

---

Students have to stay in beaverlodge. There is no alternative.

---

Charter School and Recreation Facility combined with ample Provincial Funding available ,according to our MLA, for Beaverlodge Public Students. This is Peace Wapiti's last chance before Beaverlodge walks away. Sure hope Peace Wapiti Finally make this Change. Peace Wapiti has Failed Beaverlodge.

---

HRS continuing to thrive, BES can find alternate ways to draw in a higher student population .

---

I would like to see the same system in 10 years time. It is a proven system that has worked for decades.

---

A new K-9 school in Beaverlodge to replace the dated infrastructure.

---

One where my child has increased opportunities to see the world beyond her antiquated k-6 and be exposed to new people in a safe, caring setting. Parents, including friends of mine have left BES due to its own climate and reluctance to adapt and grow, not because it's less convenient to pick up their kids after sports. The exodus from BES will not be solved by keeping 7-8s, it will be compounded as parent expectations based on what HRS offers will not be met by BES.

---

I believe that you are on the correct track in bringing k-12 to BL.

---

Having students flourish at HRS

---

Leave it the same.

---

PWPSD needs to buck up and build new and bigger school(s) in BL to accommodate population growth. Common sense

---

---

I would love to see french immersion or at least couple subjects offered in french Also montessori style classes at early stages for example in crafts or music classes

---

I prefer to put student safety first. Stop bussing children to hythe when satisfaction options are in Beaverlodge.  
kids, who won't be bussed to hythe for school

---

All children have a k-12 option in the community of Beaverlodge.

---

Close Hythe

---

Let our children go to school where they live

---

As the schools age out, resting a more central, holistic learning environment that caters to many styles of learning.

---

I would love to see a future when my child has a choice to stay local while staying with his friends and the culture he has built.

---

That's a very tough question given the world events at this time...

---

If this doesn't pass - I would have to enroll my child at another school to keep him here locally and his culture of his friends would be hard to leave at such a pivotal age of development

---

Scenario 2

---

Keeping Beaverlodge students in Beaverlodge and having three strong schools, fully staffed and utilized.

---

PWSD will have to mend the relationship between these communities after allowing this hazardous bias survey to be placed.

---

A Thriving Public School System in Beaverlodge.

---

Beaverlodge children not to be transported to a school where it is not safe

---

I have 2 children, my eldest loves BES, I want to see it blossom.

---

The kids of beaverlodge have their own K-9. With portables if needed

---

It is imperative that Grades 7-9 be returned to their home community of Beaverlodge. This scenario was introduced 25 years ago already by a group of parents who were in fact supporting the board at that time to reform the delivery of education in Beaverlodge to include junior high, of course it became political and nothing changed. If you go back in history, originally moving the junior high aged students out of Beaverlodge was opposed by the parents of the day but their wishes were totally disregarded, a gross injustice that now needs to be rectified.

---

I would like to know bottom line, what is the REAL reason there is such a decline in numbers at the BES school, that has never been revealed. That and what is actually costs PWSD for bussing students between Hythe & Beaverlodge

---

Best scenario is trying to get government funding in place to build a new school to prevent overpopulating the schools we have. The only issue is that this won't happen with the government we have in power.

---

Hometown schooling. Less bussing which is an increased risk to students. More parent involvement in all schools. Kids thrive at home where they have more opportunities to participate in activities and utilize community recreation resources

---

Option 2

---

Na
Successful Public School availability in Beaverlodge
I want my kids in Hythe to have the same consistent education that is currently being offered. No compromising in their classes by teachers being shuffled to fill in the gaps, if kids end up leaving. I want my community to flourish with maintaining the current school as it is.
Keep it the same
N/A
I can conceive no additional options.
I'm a parent whose kids grew up in Hythe. I have a child in grade 9 and another in grade 7. We recently moved to Beaverlodge because there's nothing for my Kids to do in Hythe. This doesn't affect my child in grade 9 but would directly affect my child in grade 7. It would be difficult for them to have to adjust
-
Both schools should greatly consider moving our BRHS school into a 9-12. Its way better for the sports teams and its what all the GP schools have transitioned to. Along with this, I would suggest BES move to k-7 the first year and to a K-8 the second year for a smooth transition. HRS would transition to a K-8. This has been suggested MANY times in discussions and this absolutely should be an option, even if its a few years away to complete. Especially if there needs to be an expansion of BRHS. It could also be optional for the students in Beaverlodge to choose which school they go to. Then Beaverlodge can have their grade 7-8 if parents truely want it.
There is lots of learning about life in general shipping kids to hythe for school. Let alone the great staff and brand new facility in hythe. The way it is, is working great
Leave things as they are
If the schools become separate I would wonder if the choice of school could be offered to all Hythe and Beaverlodge kids so you could look at what is offered at each school and send your kids to the school that best meets their needs and wants.
Peace Wapiti owns other land in Beaverlodge. Maybe consider adding a small alternative or charter school
Everything remaining the same
If a new build occurs whatever arrangement community feels best could be set up.
Hopefully thriving successful K-8 and 9-12 for Beaverlodge.
Having children stay within their community
K-9 within the elementary school Adding portables to accommodate Junior kindergarten should not be prioritized over grade 9 education- this is an extra program that is not required therefore should be questioned over displacing the grade 9's- with portables they really should be able to achieve all. Using school spaces in new ways- for example, libraries/music rooms are commonly now referred to as "flex spaces" allowing more classrooms to fit. With proper reconfiguration and expectations of movement within the school, they can make room for more opportunities.
It works so keep it that way for the kids. It's the kids we need to think about, they end up together in high school. They will grow together, play sports together.



---

Being new to the area, i see both sides but honestly I believe it's the parents worried about their kids going to school with kids from horse lake. They aren't thinking of their kids, why try and fix something that isn't broken. It's kids for the kids from both communities.

---

Honestly, I think the best-case scenario would be option 2 for our kids, schools, teachers and town.

---

I would rather see the time, effort and money put in to addressing the reduced enrolment in Beaverlodge and addressing that issue verses just trying to plug the hole by taking away from Hythe. We should be working together to solve issues verses two communities fighting each other.

---

People that do not want their spawn to co-mingle with the horselake kids, can kick rocks and see how St. Marys will suite them

---

the old BES school is a huge reason why families moved to St Marys. they also want high-end sports which the school presents as community and then turns teh public students. away from. funding in the community comes from high end stake holders who kids attend st marys - thus more options etc.

---

I think we would benefit at BES by adding properly split classes. 1&2, 3&4, 5&6. If we really want smaller class numbers why are we talking of overcrowding our school. I don't believe that is the true problem. Generational racism is a prominent factor in small conversation about this split, but it is hidden well in the written agenda.

---

I hope I am volunteering and educating my child in the town of Beaverlodge, where I choose to live, run a business, pay taxes, interact.

---

More collaboration between these communities with Regional Junior High and High Schools. I do agree with BES Council that community connections is important but the Community is Horse Lake First Nation, Hythe, Beaverlodge, Elmsworth, Demmit, Wembley, Valhalla, Lymburn, Goodfare, and the list goes on. We are a rural population and our students are from everywhere, and their families live in all of these communities. Segregating communities is disgusting and BES Council should be ashamed at what they are putting on social media.

---

The future to my family looks like my third child will be enrolled into Beaverlodge St.Mary School. Child one and two attended Hythe Regional and lost all sense of belonging to their community. Feeling like the outsiders when they returned for grade 10. Catholic education is not our preference but will do what is best for my child.

---

#### Thriving Public Education in the Town of Beaverlodge

---

I think Beaverlodge students should continue to go to HRS until BES can build a facility that would be able to properly accommodate all students

---

Merge the public school system into a whole non denominational unit. Dissolve the catholic and protestant schools and merge the publicly funded institutions creating one unified public school system that doesn't compete with itself. This would cause stability and consistency in our educational system for both staff and students. Using all publicly funded infrastructure for one unified purpose of providing the best (non religion based) education would greatly help with our future. This would bring in more people to rural areas not deterred by fears of a lacking educational system. If the province could make a change like this I believe that we would be able to attract more families to our province and the peace country with a well funded, balanced, top tier, educational system. Thank you for considering our views on the matter.

---

A new school built in Beaverlodge to hold k-9 similar to the surrounding communities. A large gym would be positive for school and community (club) sports teams, allowing us to participate in sporting events, bringing people into our community.

---

---

If changes aren't made there will be more children going to St. Mary's school and maybe a future expansion to high school there as well

---

No comment

---

I agree with the proposal of change and having the junior high students attend the Beaverlodge Schools.

---

Stop whining and finding problems where there isn't any. Leave things alone. Grow up

---

I have 3 young children who needs to go through alllll their school years yet. I feel leaving the schools the way they are is the absolute best for them, and all students.

---

Beaverlodge is a vibrant community that has lots to offer, as does Hythe and district

---

As a former student who rode a bus to Hythe for grades 7-9 and then attended beaverlodge for grades 10-12 I do not feel that changing anything would be beneficial. Friendships are formed early in life (students that joined together in grade 10 from other schools were the outcasts as they hadn't formed those connections early on). It will never be officially stated but many Beaverlodge parents have issues with Horselake First Nations attending school with their children. They have also stated the bus ride is unsafe but apparently it is safe for Hythe to travel to Beaverlodge? They want to cram extra students into an old dilapidated school with the hopes of getting a new school and the hopes of protecting their children from the outside world. It would be nice to see both communities to work together for the kids interests and not their personal mandates. No where has the Beaverlodge group ever stated that the quality of schooling is questionable or inadequate so it must not be the school system they are dissatisfied with, which in my opinion would really be the only reason this change should ever be considered. This scenario has worked for many many years and is still working. This should not be an issue that needs to be readdressed every time a few parents get the urge to disrupt what is tried and true - it should be something that maybe has a scheduled review date in the form of perhaps a questionnaire every 5-10 years for example. Have the students ever been questioned without parental direction how they truly feel ? The beaverlodge parent group should be financially responsible for this review, surveys, meetings and all time spent rather than pwsd and the tax payers.

---

Not sure

---

Future looks like k-8 at BES and 9-12 at BRHS

---

Look forward to staying in beaverlodge. I grew up in a community where I was able to attend school up to grade 12 and really enjoyed this.

---

Perhaps a k-5 and 6-9 stand alone schools. ( or other arrangements: 5-8/ 9-12)

---

Scenario 2

---

I truly hope Scenario 1 and 2 come to fruition. As a student who suffered in the toxic, uncompassionate, and unproductive environment at HRS, I hope Beaverlodge students are given the opportunity to avoid HRS altogether.

---

Same system that has been working for years

---

No comments

---

N/A

---

I hope to see the future remain the same. Students have access to a recently renovated school. Where the programming is specialized and meets the needs of all the students. i hope we don't mess with a good thing.

---

??

---

---

Have my babies stay in beaverlodge for schooling and not going to other towns

---

n/a

---

K-12 in Beaverlodge as per scenario 1; k-12 in Hythe as well.

---

Scenario 2 meets all current needs.

---

The future is strong at HRS . We are able to attract some of the best educators around. The divide is going to cause future implications into the high school. Hythe would remain a Regional school now that we are part of the county. Does Hythe get their own high school if the switch is implemented isn't he long run? Because it's the same scenario with Beaverlodge wanting their own junior high. I would take a serious look at the underlying whys of the movement. They serve little to no purpose and have sent false accusations. The junior highs are fully engaged within their Beaverlodge community still. It's the divide that has been ongoing between Hythe and Beaverlodge and its very sad to see this even being considered from an educational stand point. There is a lot more reasons as to why some families in the Beaverlodge community have switched to the catholic school division. Let's talk to those families that have made the switch.

---

I think scenario 2 is best case for our community

---

You could go to a charter school for grades 7-9 in beaverlodge

---

HRS accommodating it's own High School

---

I support scenario #2

---

None at this time.

---

BRHS remaining the same

---

Beaverlodge adapts and allows both Hythe and beaverlodge to have some things that flourish and some things that close down, some success for beaverlodge through businesses/schools, etc, some successes for Hythe in similar areas

---

Currently I am in Elmworth district for bussing. I drive my children to the rural bus stop earlier than most are waking up and wait at the bus stop for them to be dropped off after school, all so they can be in BES and attend HRS for Jr High. If the Elmworth school were to shut its doors perhaps that would bring in some extra students for BES. And my family would no longer be inconvenienced by bus stops and could be bussed from our home.

---

Scenario 2 is ideal

---

Ideally I would love to see the 2 communities come together and SUPPORT each other and find an option that works for both Hythe and Beaverlodge Schools. Move the schools and arenas to Albright and call it a day! I as a student from the Valhalla area loved having the stepping stones of going to 1-6 in Valhalla, 7-9 in Hythe and 10-12 in Beaverlodge! I know for a fact that I wouldn't have been ready for High School at the grade 7-9 ages (and I was a mature kid)!

---

If beaverlodge has 7-9 students attending there that would open up space in Hythe and could accommodate their own 10-12 students. Less bussing for both communities

---

So that we do not loose teachers, staff or students we really need to keep it as is.

---

BES becomes K-9 , students to BES remain in their local. Offer bussing option from other schools to open options (Elmworth)

---

Beaverlodge can have it's 7 to 9 if Hythe gets it's 10 to 12.

---

---

I am hoping things go unchanged. A parent meeting for parents of HRS would be good just to have a conversation about the funding an opportunities that hythe students receive.

---

Leave it the same

---

Leave things as they are.

---

I think either way, the Junior High students NEED to be back in their home community. Whether this happens in a roll out type manner (keep Grade 6 kids in Beaverlodge for Grade 7 and current Grade 7-8 stay at Hythe to complete Junior High) or if it's easier to just make the adjustments needed in one swoop, either works but I truly think the ball needs to get rolling ASAP!

---

Families having the luxury of Placing their Children in their Local Elementary School with Confidence.

---

The future should look like the same opportunities for all children regardless of race or class A new school that only Beaverlodge kids can attend is based off of the WANTS of the privileged in my opinion( non-indigenous ppl) is not even about the children at this point If it's really about education then build a a school that can accommodate the surrounding communities too!

---

NA

---

K to 8. 9 to 12

---

Consolidating the region. Close Elmworth, move students to K-9 in Beaverlodge. Close LaGlace, move students to Hythe K-9 (And possibly Sexsmith if they are far east). This would increase enrolment at both schools and increase opportunities that could be offered - subject specialists, programming like athletics and music. It would decrease funding needed to run 4 schools and consolidate staff.

---

Cohesiveness. Communities that actually work together like they are now. Well educated children that become productive adults care about their communities.

---

Like mentioned in the previous question, I would like to see BES become a k-9. Otherwise, I would send my kids to St. Mary's.

---

I truly hope that the future for my children, is one that shows a better allotment of resources - while maintaining the current 'status quo' in regards to junior high and high school.

---

I want my kids to remain at Hythe, as happy as they are, recieving the same consistent care they have been receiving. Hythe has been great to them, and I want to support my community by fighting for our school. I want the communities to be without bias towards each other. I want people to love their jobs in the school settings, and be happy about their work with the kids. I dont want this to be a big rivalry. I want it to be fair in terms of transportation. Everyone has to bus it at some point. But most of all, I want this to be about the kids. Not buildings. Kids are what make our future, and if they are being educated in a system with stretched resources, and limited staff, they will struggle to reach their full potential.

---

Really hoping for the change, allowing Beaverlodge students to stay in Beaverlodge for K-12

---

Building a brand new school, half k-6 and half 7-12. I'm dreaming though.

---

just extend bes to grade 9

---

I have a 3 year old who will soon be in school, I would like this change to happen before she gets to junior high. I personally went to St. Mary, I want her to go to BES, but I will switch her to St Mary for grades 7-9 rather than sending her on the road to Hythe if this change doesn't happen.

---

---

Two communities divided by a town that only looks after themselves. Parents take their HS kids to GP

---

It will stay the same.

---

Happy healthy school environment where both communities work together for continuous focus on children's needs and mental health

---

I think its important to look at the future of HRS as well as BES in this instance. With BES extending to grade 8 or 9, that then affects HRS numbers, and then they will soon be in the same situation, if not worse that BES is in now. While HRS is indeed the only Regional school in the area, the same can be said of BRHS. Regardless of what is chosen, it seems both the schools involved will suffer in one way or another. Being that Hythe is a smaller community, it should be taken into consideration of what it would do to that community should enrollment suffer. It's a possibility that HRS would just be shut down completely, which would affect the entire Hamlet of Hythe, whereas if BES were to shut down, there is still another school for K-9 as an alternative in that town.

---

New k to 9 school in beaverlodge

---

Revitalized public system with beaverlodge public. No other alternative is available

---

There's a level of frustration within the parent population of Beaverlodge. Theyre tired of bussing their kids to a different community. They're tired of having to drive to Hythe when their kids get sick, have appointments, need to get picked up early, have to stay for sports etc. It's the exact reason we moved our kids to St Mary School. It's just plain illogical. The sheer logistics of it is frustrating to say the least. I personally don't know how Peace Wapiti keeps turning a blind eye to the real problems that parents face with the system in place. The future looks pretty grim if changes don't happen soon.

---

I think leaving schools as is a perfect way to continue a tight nit community in beaverlodge. Without giving opportunity for inappropriate relationships and loss of innocence at a young age. Leaving schools as is allows for high school students to be themselves and not feel obligated to act different because of little children

---

An opportunity to have an onsite childcare within the school for before and after care With the k-8 option.

---

New K-9 school in Beaverlodge

---

It doesn't make sense to bus so many kids a greater distance. Perhaps a long term solution is to build a new 7-9 school in Beaverlodge and bus all students to this facility. This is something PWPSD could have done years ago. It is just really important to keep them together, there are so many more benefits to keeping them together. Horselake would pay for its own bussing to Beaverlodge, so there is no extra cost for PWPSD for that, and they already bus high school students to Beaverlodge from Hythe so that shouldn't increase bussing either. Maybe there is a deficit at BES that is causing students to attend St. Mary? Has BES considered trying to make their school a more welcoming and good place to be?

---

Fund classrooms and supports efficiently and effectively so that we do not have to have this conversation every 3 years. The fact that the school board is wasting time, resources, and money for this that could go into classroom supports is ludicrous.

---

Valhalla closes down, numbers in la glacé and hythe go up. Hythe goes to k-7.

---

I really like scenario #2 it sounds like a really good solution

---

My children attend school where they get all the opportunities they deserve and experience a mix of different cultures and friendships.

---

No idea
I feel the future is for Beaverlodge, it is a town that growing with young people and young families so we need to accomindate the needs of this issue with schools and keeping kids in their own communities.
I really hope my 4 children remain in my community! That is what my future SHOULD look like!
I would think that Bes K-7 and grades 8-9 through 12 BRHS would be great opportunities for the our children future more classes for them to choose and more closer for them to stay in beaverlodge
Keeping Beaverlodge students educated in their home town
I have no other alternatives.
I see scenario two happening for Beaverlodge and Hythe communities. And I am on board with that. To long it has been an argument over why Beaverlodge kids get bused to Hythe. Coming up with a solution to it is long overdue
Na
New k-8 school and new hospital brings new investment and people to town.
I would really like to see Beaverlodge students attend school in Beaverlodge. It would make my life so much easier when having to pick children up if they're sick or have volleyball/basketball practice if they we're in Beaverlodge. The amount my husband and I drive to Hythe is ridiculous.
Support and Success of Children within the Community of Beaverlodge and Surrounding area through K-12 Education.
Keeping our students in our community to build stronger community bonds.
n/a
No schools. All online
A new k-9 or K-9 school built in Beaverlodge.
KEEP THE BEAVERLODGE STUDENT HOME. BES K-8 BRHS 9-12 HRS K-9
N/A
I would like to support our Elmworth school, and I think that by offering bussing out from Beaverlodge, it may help keep the numbers up in Elmworth, and keep the school running in the future.
Please choose scenario #2. Hythe doesn't lose their school and Beaverlodge can keep their kids in their own community.
A charter school would be an option to retain children in our community
BES K-8 and BRHS 9-12 is what I want the future to look like.
A new school built for K-9, to leave the highschool as is. And as the elementary school is getting very old.
Good, less money spent on bussing and more convenient
bes is very under capacity and this would help a lot

---

All students meet up in grade 10 anyway. If they decide to make Beaverlodge a k-8 and a 9-12 no friend ships will be lost. Extra curricular activities will continue to let kids from all schools meet eachother. In the future I see less students unseat belted on buses

---

#### Scenario 2

---

Build a junior high on the designated green space in Beaverlodge. Parents want their children locally schooled not bussed out. Make arrangements for this to happen.

---

Include the Hythe students in whatever choice you make with the beaverlodge students.

---

Perhaps we need to build a K-12 school somewhere in between Hythe and Beaverlodge?

---

Closure of hythe's junior high if this goes through to kids staying in Beaverlodge

---

Beaverlodge needs a new elementary school. That is the main reason most have gone to St Mary's. The other reason is racism. They do not want their children with natives and so instead of teaching them to respect and get along you remove them. Large cities have all races. A new 7-9 should have been built in Hythe and both communities share.

---

We need a new K to 9 school in Beaverlodge. The existing building was constructed in the 1950s.

---

The future of public education is in dire need of change, and this is one way to hopefully address issues of staffing/ programming and successful education, otherwise any more parents will be forced to chose catholic school or private schools.

---

#### Scenario 2

---

I think that the future will look like the past in which the school system will stay the same which is a good thing

---

Hythe stays k-8 which Beaverlodge and Hythe attend. Grade 9 from both communities move to BRHS. Even though I'm not 100% comfortable with a grade 9 student attending a high school I feel that exposure to cultural diversity and psycho social aspects are more important

---

I think having the BES becoming a K-8 school would benefit a lot of the grade 6 students having been in the BES school since kindergarten and now having to go to a whole new school with a lot of other students they don't know all at the age of 12. I think it would cause a lot less anxiety and stress for those kids having to be away at such a young age. Also it would benefit us parents having our kids closer to home in case of an emergency and transportation

---

Best case is K-8 elementary. 9-12 Highschool. Those have been my thoughts for years. I had one child go through the elementary school and junior high then to grad at the Highschool. Now I have one in grade 7 in hythe and I'm still not a fan of the situation.

---

All schools will remain the same because it works and there has not been a problem, so why change it now?

---

NA

---

,

---

My kids in their local schools only and not having to be bussed to another town

---

If you have junior high in Beaverlodge we will move our daughter out of St.Mary to the Beaverlodge elementary

---

I'd prefer the kids stay in the elementary K-9, if possible. The highschool at highschool age. I don't wish to have my kids based in beaverlodge bussed to hythe if there is an alternative

---

---

I am fine with scenario 1 or 2. I disagree very much with how it currently is in scenario 3. My 2 oldest attended an elementary school that went from K-8 and was not bad.

---

Two not yet school age children. We live just outside of Beaverlodge. We would love for our children to stay in Beaverlodge public school through k-12

---

Hythe and Beaverlodge working together in the future to keep our students successful.

---

I want a future where my child gets to utilize their own community and not have a bus ride fill most of their school year memories.

---

I think making BES K-8, BRHS 9-12, and HRS K-12 would be the best for both communities. I'm sure the Hythe parents don't want to bus their kids either, especially since the Hwy is getting insanely busy with the industries around our area.

---

Hoping my kids can go to school together

---

Scenario 1 or 2 are implemented before we are forced to have our children attend Hythe for school. This really makes NO sense when Beaverlodge is completely capable of teaching these grades in the schools we already have.

---

I believe it should stay the same. I myself went through the school system of Hythe jr high and then Beaverlodge and it was just fine. Why is it just changing now? I think we're lucky to have 2 great communities so close together. Our family actually lives closer to Hythe and our kids go to school in Beaverlodge riding the 'dangerous highway' as stated in the survey. I have had no thoughts of switching them to the catholic school as I want them to build friendships with their own maturity level that they can carry with them into gr 10 where high school should begin.

---

None. It is wonderful to see an outside objective look at the situation, the amount of wasted money on bussing when bussing is already so expensive and the low number of drivers. From an economic and safety standpoint Scenario 2 makes absolute sense. I understand that the Hythe community may be sour in their process, however change comes with growing pains. Already the town has been absorbed by the county and isn't even considered a hamlet. The town is not growing and the population is in a continual decline. It's time to make realistic and logical moves to better the education of our kids/students, enforce the importance of safety, and invest in communities that show promise.

---

The system is working as us. Don't mess with it

---

Schools in each community Sports programs in Beaverlodge Better funding

---

N/a

---

I look forward to hearing the reasons that people will give for why HRS should lose its 7-9 Beaverlodge population. Because I do not know what reasons people will come up with, outside of the fact that some people do not want their children to go to school with Horselake children.

---

I don't know what any other options would be, but if changes are not made to discontinue the bussing our kids to Hythe we will possibly switch to the catholic school before they reach the age where they have to bus .

---

If Beaverlodge added grade 8 or 9 to the high school I would not send my child. I would send them to Hythe. Currently St Mary's Beaverlodge has a growing population of students and I hear nothing but praise about the school and staff. BES on the other hand sounds like it's staff can be toxic to one another and the kids. I've heard numerous issues of bullying not being addressed and kids have been moved to other schools. I also have been told the focus on literacy and extra "fun" activities to engage students is poor and lacking. Maybe the school needs an overhaul of attitude and environment and not adding additional grades...

---



---

A stand alone grade 7-9 school in Hythe was and still is a viable choice. That is what should have happened when they redid the school so many years ago.

---

I strongly prefer scenarios 1 or 2. Thank you.

---

Build a new K-9 school in Beaverlodge. It is time for an upgrade here. The school is getting very old and outdated. Hythe has been upgraded. St Mary's got a new school.

---

Peace Wapiti would foster education and safety for Beaverlodge and Surrounding area Students by offering Education K-12 within the community they reside. Beaverlodge has the space available. Why are we busing our kids out of town.

---

I would just like all parties who make this decision to keep child safety at their top priority. That means both considering mental health, road safety, young impressionable students enrolling alongside socially developed teens etc. all areas need to be considered

---

Keeping it the same and maybe if the population grows, try get a new school built

---

Our kids staying in Beaverlodge from jk to grade 12

---

Beaverlodge has been complaining about this for ages, those same parents went to Hythe, not sure what the problem is.

---

All students 7-9 remain in hythe

---

The two communities need to be connected or the schools Will End up too small And not sustainable

---

BES can go K-9 like the other schools if you want to change things up.

---

I feel that this issue is one that has been around for so long, I'm not sure it will ever be resolved to please everyone.

---

Remain as is. The wonderful staff in Hythe should continue to use the building that is most appropriate for the junior high students. The sports teams are competing, the opportunity to meet new students and provide appropriate separation and space is available. Diversity (ex. Cree Programming) is offered to all students. Options with skilled teachers like Art, Outdoor Ed, Coding, cooking, are all provided to students in the HRS building. Changing this, would be a disservice to many students and limit their opportunities.

---

Leave K to 8 in Hythe. Attract the kids that went to Catholic school back and 9 to 12 at highschool

---

My preferred option is #2 or #1. I fear if we don't make this change we will continue to lose students to the new St. Mary's which hurts us long term as we will not ever get a new school with decreasing enrolment.

---

Same as now.

---

I am not sure but i think the benefits to HRJH , BES, HRS need to be looked at rather than concerns with the 2 Beaverlodge schools mentioned

---

Keeping 7-9 in Beaverlodge is very positive

---

Build a new school at Albright and take all junior high students from both areas to that location. It was an idea years ago. Doesn't work as well, in my opinion and the bussing costs plus the safety factor would not be optimum. However, it's neutral ground and neither town would have the benefits.

---

BES is LONG overdue for a new building. Build a new school. Add grades 7 and 8 to it. Merge grade 9 into BRHS. Millions of money saved in bussing as well as opportunity for safer less highway time. It would also draw newcomers to town. We lose many because there's no public elementary school!

---

---

All students living in Beaverlodge, attend school IN BEAVERLODGE.

---

Build a separate 7-9 school that all students can attend, like the old HRJHS. Think about what is best for the students

---

I would love to have all my kids going to school in Beaverlodge. Our town is growing more and more, the fact we do not offer junior high in Beaverlodge is very sad

---

I'm happy with option 2; this makes the most sense and our family would benefit greatly from this change if implemented. I know we've discussed transporting kids to Hythe and are not too excited about it. Expanding the school grades creates a better community both in the school system and keeping families close. I know from family experience, having to drive to Hythe to pickup kids when sick or when they have dental appointments is an inconvenience and it would be nice to keep kids in the community that we live.

---

I would love to see scenario #2 happen. Would most definitely help out my family.

---

Hopefully the next government sees the value of the education system and will increase the budgets for school districts to manage oversized classes.

---

Prefer scenario 2

---

Keep it the same as it is

---

Could develop a real K & E program that students could participate in from Grades 7 to 12. Retain students in Peace Wapiti schools instead of losing them to Catholic system.

---

I think senecio 1 is the most logical option but senecio 2 is obviously a good option as well.

---

The future would look like BES doing a sincere inventory about why students are leaving their school. Looking at things like not having the doors open for students to enter until just before school starts, even on extremely cold days. Is this an inconvenience to parents that they would sooner not have? Looking at what could be done to make their school more inviting and welcoming would be a big, important step to take before dismantling what we currently have. We are stronger together. Would families want their students at smaller schools with reduced programming and resources? Or, would they look elsewhere to ensure their child(ren) is/are getting the best education available? The future would support HRS as much as the Beaverlodge schools. It is interesting that the Hythe community and area never push to have their high school students stay in their community and not have to travel to Beaverlodge. The future would look like all of us working together to build a sense of cohesiveness and support. A network of people generating creative ideas about how to attract students back to BES. HRS numbers are stable. Working together we are stronger. We have more to offer. The future would eliminate this divisiveness and focus on what is best for our students' education and well-being.

---

Keep it the same as it is now.

---

Status quo.

---

That Scenario 2, which should have already been in place years ago, be put in place.

---

As the communities grow so will enrollment

---

N/A

---

If this is such a huge deal to Beaverlodge parents (keep in mind, this is a fight that has been on going for the better part of 40 years...) then why not start High School for ALL OUR CHILDREN at Gr.9. Keep the Jr. High in Hythe for

---

---

a few years, then send them to Beaverlodge for High School in Gr.9. The whole reason its been set up this way was because it was FAIR for all parties. 3 years of Jr. High in Hythe, 3 years of High School in Beaverlodge.

---

Is don't see the need for change and maybe the elementary school in Beaverlodge or even hythe review why the Catholic school has increased and what they can do to make their school be the better option

---

I believe combing services is the best way to remain fiscally responsible while offering the best services to school children

---

N/A

---

We will look at different schools if we have to bus to Hythe

---

BES K-8

---

I think it is important to keep the school as is as it offers the best educational system and most support possible as that limited if population is divided.

---

One day I'd love to see a K-8 in Beaverlodge attached to a new sports complex and skating rink. Our swimming pool is amazing, we need to bring our other facilities up to par! Dare to dream!

---

I think it is imperative to let Beaverlodge families keep their children in their own community. I will not be sending my child to Hythe for his junior high education. I will switch him to ST.Mary Catholic school in order to keep him in our own community. He is currently Beaverlodge Elementary School student. I Love the elementary & am very happy with that school. But I will switch him into the Catholic school in order to keep him in my community.

---

You have given great scenarios! Scenario 2 is the most beneficial to me and my family.

---

As a Board, Peace Wapiti needs to quit allowing the childish game between Hythe and Beaverlodge and get on with education the children as they have been doing.

---

N/A - scenario 2 is best

---

9-12 at BRHS, K-8 at BES

---

I like everything about option 2!

---

I have one child at BRHS, one child at BES and I work in Beaverlodge. It was very difficult for me to have to travel to Hythe to pick up my child if she happened to get sick. I had to plan all our appointments around the travel to and from Hythe. I am seriously considering switching my BES student so we can all be in the same community. I worry about my child's mental health if she is sent out of the community for her Junior high years.

---

Building a new school to provide for the growth in Beaverlodge that will follow with adding the new hospital.

---

The best future in my opinion is scenario 2 and you will see the revitalization of our public schools in Beaverlodge with the opportunity for growth and hopefully PWSB's commitment to our elementary / jr high improvements building structure and student development wise.

---

All kids should remain local until High school, when special programs and options require more specialized instruction and bigger class sizes

---

Enrolling my children in a school system that has their best interests at the forefront. we need to ensure we're not losing sight of what is most important with this potential change and that is our kids. We need to keep our feelings and emotions aside, and truly look at what is BEST for the kids.

---

---

Having my kids, friends kids, cousins and neighbors kids take all their schooling in their own community which is Beaverlodge.

---

My kids go k-12 in beaverlodge

---

I think our students future is in serious jeopardy and we can't afford to go backwards.

---

Support and promote all PW schools and help the rural PW schools be the schools that people want to attend.

---

I think the future could handle a new K-9 school in Beaverlodge. Considering how outdated the current Elementary and its modulars that are past their expiration date, I wouldn't be surprised if we are exposing our kids to extra health risks such as mold and asbestos.

---

The future is having K to 12 in the town of Beaverlodge. Families will then have a proper chance to choose where they want their kids to go to school - because of the school - not because of them not wanting their kids to be bussed to and from another town.

---

I would like to see the current scenario stay in the future.

---

Staying the same as it is now.

---

I believe option 2 is the best scenario, I don't have any other suggestions

---

Maybe if beaverlodge doesn't want to lose numbers then they should actually be catholic to go to the catholic school that's why they are losing. If this change is made then I will have some very sad kids that won't be getting to go to school with their friends for 3 more years and will also lose the teachers they've been so excited to have in the years to come. Why change something that's worked for years now. Also if this change does go through then I would hope our county taxes in the hythe area also go down

---

Build a new elementary/junior high school in Beaverlodge. That is what is wanted by so many. The current elementary school is so old, musty, ceiling leaks. It's a dump. Do you know how many teachers wish the thing would just burn down. If you built a new school that housed the elementary kids and a wing for junior high much like what the catholic school did it would be a better environment for everyone. You lost so many kids to the catholic school only because it was new and advanced.

---

The future looks like communities being able to educate their children in their own community in order to develop a sense of belonging, ownership and active living in the community where they were raised. It would be responsible not to have to put students on busses daily and move an entire group of adolescents to another community. It would allow students to be able to participate in sports in their home communities without having to travel on a busy highway for practices and games. It would give every citizen, young and old, a way to communicate, participate and educate in their home community.

---

Keep students close to home for as long as possible

---

Moved my child from BES because I didn't want to send to Hythe

---

No matter what scenario is picked someone will have to lose some or all of what they have now. This debate has been ongoing for many years and every time it ends up being left with the same scenario. BES needs to figure out why they are declining, whether it be a programming, or maybe its a teaching issue I don't know but maybe their is better solution to this problem. Scenario 1 and 2 both leave Hythe with too low of a utilization rate but scenario 3 is bussing and classroom sizes. If BES was K-8 and HRS was k-8 then all went BRHS for 9 to 12 and parents from the whole county area had a choice as to which school they would like to send their children to, that might keep both

---

---

BES and HRS running and save funding. I would like to know what the utilization rates would be for this scenario. The problem could be bussing but might be able to be sorted as long as students are not on for more than an hour.

---

What about a school for just then jr high in beaverlodge, instead of adding jr high to the already existing schools.

---

Our students back in Beaverlodge for entire education

---

Putting scenario two in place as a plan for the near future. Plan for the building of a K-8 school in the long term to replace the aging Beaverlodge Elementary School

---

A no brainer - Scenario 2.

---

BES K-8 looks good to me! BRHS 9-12 looks good also!!

---

Better utilization in the Beaverlodge schools could promote the idea of building a new better suited school in Beaverlodge.

---

## **Is there anything else that you would like us to consider as we create a plan for junior high programming in Beaverlodge and Hythe?**

---

Change is okay Change is good Take a look at how our communities have changed, which community would best support the students of Beaverlodge, this is not a competition about which school is best, they are both great, what is best for BES students and the future of BES public education Listen to the BES community, we have not been heard before Too many false accusations have been made toward BES, I hope these are not taken into consideration within the report and discussions (ask the Teachers/Admin at BES if you need clarification) I'd like the district to look into how many students have transferred to Hythe from 2016 to 2022 from BES, has this number increased, decreased, or stayed the same How many students have enrolled at St. Mary's (starting in JK/ECS) from the years 2016-2022. What type of enrollment increases/decreases are we seeing There is lots of space that can be utilized at BES to accommodate Junior high students The study done in 2002 already states that moving the Junior High students to the Beaverlodge community was more beneficial than sending them to Hythe. This has already been proved before How will the Board of Trustees help to improve or support Beaverlodge Elementary if they choose not to move forward with junior high programming in Beaverlodge? Teachers' livelihood should be considered, but not at the expense of students' wellbeing and mental health. PW thrives on their "wellness" approach. How are we helping these students by transferring them to a NEW community and NEW environment. Lots of misleading information regarding possible split classes that would happen if the junior high students come to BES. Ask admin at BES, this is prob not true Misleading information regarding the space that would need to be freed up at BES, yet again, talk to the Admin. There is plenty of room in the gym for scheduling extra classes, the fine arts room will remain. There are 5 empty classrooms that are not being used for programming The last time this topic was discussed 20 years ago, parents were not able to choose between school districts in Beaverlodge. This is not the case now. PW should want to stay competitive with the neighboring school/Catholic school district

---

No

---

Make the right decision with consideration to what the reality of the future looks like. This is accountable governance

---

This is not about teachers or faculty it's about the children and their parents

---

---

PW needs to remember why they built the new school in Hythe in 2009!! It is what has proven to be the BEST doe ALL students.

---

There are alot of people who only have 1 vehicle, so when there kids get sick in hythe or an emergency happens they can't get there without a lot of difficulty.

---

Thinking of the schools at Sexsmith. I wonder how they would feel in it was mandated they should to send their Jr High children to Clairmont?

---

Beaverlodge is it's own Community. Please Give us our Kids Back.

---

Yes, it is vital that this decision is made for academic reasons, and with consideration for Truth and Reconciliation. I am terrified that this is going to set back the growth I have seen between the two communities. I am saddened by the damage I have already seen happen, for a reason that is not even an academic reason.

---

I'll scream it from the rooftops if you need it. Look at the scenario enrollment numbers, it is showing HRS will have a higher enrollment number than Beaverlodge Elementary School does now, AFTER our students come back to Beaverlodge. PWPSD needs to understand that it's not about one school/town versus another; it should be what keeps all 3 schools open and operating! Beaverlodge Elementary is losing students, teachers, funding and programs. If you don't give them back their kids, you'll lose BES and then Hythe and then BRHS. You decide! How much is the Board willing to lose? The Parents in Beaverlodge are no longer letting PWPSD decide what is best for our children; we are taking back the choice as PWPSD isn't our ONLY choice anymore!

---

In the end, I feel that this is a business decision that Peace Wapiti must look long and hard at. There are many families who's actions have spoke louder than words by moving their children from the public education system to the Catholic system. As I look at the small class sizes of the younger grade levels at BES it is also evident that families are now choosing to start their children's education at the Catholic school, rather than moving then when they near junior high age. People are ready for change. Just because this has been done for 50 years, doesn't make it right. Times have changed and so have peoples perspectives of what is important; the community is speaking loud and clear: public education in Beaverlodge is a must!

---

Of course in the future a new facility

---

See above.

---

If the WRONG decision is made again this time and there is NO change. PWPSD will see another DRASTIC decline at BES and will ripple through the HRS overtime. The Catholic school in Beaverlodge has ordered 3 more potables and a washroom portable and will be happily accepting student from the Beverlodge public school division. PWPSD needs to wake up and make proper decision for the FUTURE.

---

This is the second time this issue has come up in Beaverlodge, since I have lived here. Why not do what the parents are asking AGAIN? Scenario #2 seems to be the best.

---

No

---

Something good needs to happen in Beaverlodge or many more students will move to St. Mary and our school will continue to have to work with the losses that creates.

---

I (and many others) find it ridiculous that I have to go through such an ordeal and practically beg to keep my own children in a school that has room for them to easily, comfortably continue their educationin their own community. I completely don't understand why you're taking children from their homes and families to help support a community other than their own. Why is another community's well being even being considered over that if my

---

---

child? I am disgusted with the public health system because of this and will be looking into the Catholic system as an option. They seem to put the children FIRST!

---

Safety of students being bussed to Hythe for no good reason

---

This is a critical age and being given more responsibility in a protected environment is vital for personal growth and development of teenagers. Moving to highschool too soon is not the answer to helping foster this growth and development. Jr high needs the opportunity to be the role models for the younger grades and to be given the opportunity to be teenagers without the stress of driving/semesters and high exam stresses associated with high school

---

Combating preconceived ideas that people may have about indigenous people and the struggle that they have had

---

Having a junior high experience offers a safe environment for them to offer leadership and enhanced learning. Adding grades to elementary diminishes this experience and adding too many younger grades to high school changes the focus from learning/ preparing for post high school to younger behaviours. Younger ages in high school takes away from the "high school" atmosphere/experience

---

I attended Mayerthorpe JR/SR high school. Grades 7-12 were in the same school and it worked well. If it works for Hythe elementary students to stay in the same school for junior high, it would work for Beaverlodge students to do the same.

---

I feel like everyone is overthinking this. It has never made sense to bus kids for 3yrs to Hythe. Beaverlodge continues to grow and needs to step up for its community. Senario 2 needs to be done.

---

Consider promoting the great things that exist instead of putting out biased surveys that talk only about the negatives for one community and share none of the positives that exist in the current structure. Trustees, you clearly have your own biases and you should all be ashamed of yourselves!

---

Please consider the students when casting your vote, they have already said what they want( as per survey in Spring of 2022), because isn't this who we should be thinking of, not a few disgruntled parents. Thank You

---

Possibly keeping grade nine in elementary school and accessing funds for a new school eventually.

---

Will BES have the room in the future to accommodate K-9 kids in the future?

---

-Consider expanding BRHS to include all the regional grade 9s, to better prepare them for high school life. -Offer junior high in both Hythe and Beaverlodge and reconfigure school boundaries, so that children are simply bussed to the school nearest to their homes. -revise K&E programming in HRS to align better with high school programming. -focus on trauma informed practices at HRS. -consider implementing more initiatives to raise cultural awareness among Beaverlodge students at BES, whether they are educated in Beaverlodge for jr high or continue to be transported to Hythe. PWPSD has an amazing Indigenous Ed team that could better bridge this gap.

---

Consider the fact that doing something to benefit Beaverlodge should not negatively affect another small community. Why should Beaverlodge benefit themselves at the expense of Hythe when they will just be swapping which community is effected and not trying to benefit both communities.

---

No

---

Please consider the children! Consider our community and our school, it is very important to us!!!!

---

Make sure you as a school board are legitimately looking at facts and not just listening to the ones complaining the loudest

---



---

The dangerous bus ride between beaverlodge and hythe. Considering the winters we have in this province, it is scary sending kids on that highway.

---

I appreciate the opportunity to have this conversation and share my opinion.

---

Beaverlodge parents have been trying for this for years. Even when I was in school In The 90s.

---

The exodus of students to st Mary will continue as parents have a great alternative to sending students out of community. Two mor portables are being added this summer. I personally know of new residents to town who do not have Canadian drivers lisense and vehicles and have no way of commuting to pick up children.

---

Diversity is a strength for every school and should be a high priority after health and safety

---

I am curious if and by how much both drug and pregnancy rates go up by introducing younger children to a high school atmosphere before they are mentally and in some cases physically reading.

---

Please consider the long standing racial discrimination in Beaverlodge as the fact is that the parents of this debacle does not want their children attending a school that has Indigenous students.

---

Keep mental health a priority, give them access to sports, healthy environments and keep them safe off the highway.

---

No

---

If Peace Wapiti doesn't allow the Public Junior High Kids to remain in Beaverlodge I will follow the masses and Move my kids to St. Mary's.

---

?

---

Make the best plan for the students. Be inclusive of the 3 major communities and the residual effects of change.

---

I was a trustee on the PWSD the school board for 10 years. This has never been a Beaverlodge versus Hythe scenario. Every time vehicles are on the road there is a risk. Beaverlodge is the largest municipality in the province of Alberta without its on public junior high school outside of the Catholic division. Over 40 years ago a decision was made to move the Beaverlodge junior high students to Hythe during the construction of the Beaverlodge high school. This was to be a temporary fix until Beaverlodge built their own standalone 7 to 9 school. Over the years stories, I've been told that have missed lead school boards, school trustees, an executive of the school division. This has never been more true, than today. This is not a political stand. This is more of a jealousy stand towards you have this you have that? The funding model that the provincial government set out for the school divisions needs to be looked at for this to take place. I am out of town for these three meeting but if there is somewhere, I can present to the group of individuals that are considering any one of the three scenarios I would love to be able to speak directly to them.

---

Current rates of students leaving public for the Catholic school will continue to increase if this isn't changed

---

The demographics if Hythe loses the Beaverlodge students will change. That could be to advantage as more specialized programming could potentially become an option. It could also lead to greater segregation in high school for the children as they mix at that time.

---

Nothing that hasn't been mentioned. But I will reiterate that the longer a change is delayed, more families will leave the public school system in Beaverlodge, or Beaverlodge as a whole. We want to grow our community.

---

quality of education is better with larger student body - if you main priority is to help one communities building utilization, you hurt the other communities building utilization

---



---

The plan was already created, the junior high was created in Hythe, it's a junior high. Why take it away. It works for the kids, it's made for the kids so leave it as is.

---

If the enrollment of kids in Jr High is reducing in Beaverlodge, why is there a push to make their class size smaller and hurt both Beaverlodge and Hythe Kids? This is the age where kids get to start options, to see what they want to be. The more kids in this group the better. Moving the Jr High to Beaverlodge to keep them together harms Hythe by making them commute for 3 more years. The current arrangement balances out the travel for both groups. Keeping in mind the Hythe catchment area includes Demmit and Horse Lake, and Beaverlodge includes farms close to it. it is not just the 15 minute bus ride to be considered. When discussing the number of students in school, just look at the kids in jr high in the school, not total. Total does not even work for 'is there a room available'. Does moving the grade 7's to BES make a class at both locations, or is Hythe or Beaverlodge going to have a split class?

---

Keep everything the way it is and instead of pouring all of this money into doing research give it to the schools to improve the education for their students.

---

I have heard people accusing, ridiculous things, such as racism for those that want to keep their children in beaverlodge. That is the most ridiculous thing I've ever heard, who would want to send their children away from where they live, if they didn't have to? To me, that is the main Issue at point here

---

I think you need to reach out to the 146 students that have left the school and find out the reason why they left. And if there was a K-8 school would they come back to peace wapiti or is there more reasons for not coming back

---

Possibly having all junior/senior high students attend BRHS and BES.

---

Focus on something more important

---

Incorporate indigenous partnerships and multicultural inclusion for learning opportunities. Lack of options for students in remote communities. Consider sharing music / art / drama / dance instructors within the district so that options are available to multiple schools for shared staffing costs ..... stretching the budget.

---

It should be considered that is time for change and progression for the Beaverlodge community with respect to the surrounding areas

---

if you look in the history books we have been through this many times in the last fifty plus years and what have we learned..., in my opinion if you change any thing it wont be long and there will be no children going to bes i will home school if necessary

---

COST OF TRANSPORT/ TIME AND STRESS FOR KIDS TO TRAVEL

---

Make a school in between the 2 communities why should beaverlodge be catered to

---

Keep pushing to change Albertas government and in exchange there would be more funding for schools/hospitals. With the government in power now, there won't be any money for this.

---

Nope just get the children back to Beaverlodge

---

More support for the present system of HRS. Recognizing the successes and CONSTRUCTIVE effort to make improvements. Recognize that population demographics are always in flux and it is impossible to predict. Consider what the students themselves want-have you asked them. They should be consulted.

---

No

---

They say it takes a community to raise a child, I think Beaverlodge should be given that opportunity & not have a disconnect from such children for 3 years!

---

---

To look at what is truly best educationally for our young people instead of what is politically motivated. To look at what is fiscally responsible and what will support all schools and communities. To look at why BES is losing students and put a plan into place to address that before any further changes are made. If that problem isn't addressed and fixed, artificially adding more students is not going to solve anything. Plus it will damage HRS and Hythe beyond repair to no avail. To consider that the current system is working well in a declining population demographic. All of our area schools have reasonable numbers and excellent educational programs. Consider working with the Catholic system so that they are only taking Catholic families and stop telling people they won't accept a child unless the entire family goes to their school. The unethical practices of the Catholic division are part of the problem that needs to be addressed.

---

Do the research on community schooling and the benefits. Take a look at the drastic enrollment decline, and the increasing enrollment at St. Marys. How much money is PW losing per year due to students moving school districts in Beaverlodge? Listen to the community. This has been a fight for many years, but never have we ever seen this amount of students being registered in a different school district. Forget about the past fights regarding this issue, these concerns are NEW and valid. PW does a great job about putting "kids first", let's continue to do that, and make the best decision for Beaverlodge students and the Beaverlodge Elementary School.

---

Choice.

---

Separation of space, allowing junior high kids their own corridors and not just making them big elementary kids

---

Listen to the students and their parents and accept common sense to ensure better utilization of existing resources in the community they live in and the safety of those students.

---

I would like you to consider the detriment to Hythe students if you were to go ahead with splitting up the communities. Hythe is a small community and taking away the Beaverlodge students will highly affect Hythe students academically, socially, and mentally. You need to consider what is BEST for ALL STUDENTS!! Why would we even consider harming one community just for another one to have what they want. The Regional School was developed for a reason!!

---

Just Give Beaverlodge their kids Back.

---

After spending time in the arena and with people who are in favour of this change, I can confidently say that this is truly a racial driven agenda. Segregating Hythe students and essentially Horselake students is a step back from reconciliation that we as a society are striving for with Indigenous people. Furthermore, taking students from HRS to BES would take students from a thriving school and send them to a school that the community is unhappy with. BES is struggling because a new school was built in their community and the BES staff is known to follow traditional and inflexible teaching practices, both factors are causing parents to move their children. My child currently attends BES. I am a Beaverlodge resident and I look forward to the opportunities that HRS can offer my child. If there is a change to the current junior high situation, I will be enrolling my child and their younger siblings in St. Mary.

---

As with many years ago when this same idea was tossed around and when the previous school board wasted years of trying to get a new 7-9 school built in Beaverlodge, This doesn't feel like it is about keeping kids schooled in their own community. If that were the case the group should also be fighting hard to keep kids in Wembley, high school kids in Hythe or all kids to be educated in Horselake. This feels more like a certain faction of BL parents do not want their kids being in the same school as kids from Horselake. And in today's day and age where we have learned so much about the poor treatment of our indigenous children in schools in the past, it feels like this new plan is just an extension of decisions made in the past.

---

---

Consider how it impacts the morale of HRS students and families, including the influx of junior highs that come from Valhalla. Allowing a vocal minority of BES parents to essentially segregate their children sets a dangerous precedent in a time where Canadians should be seeking reconciliation and togetherness. Divisiveness is hurtful and will not stem the flow out of BES, that is a climate and dynamic that must be addressed before adding more children.

---

Leave woke ideology out of the curriculum.

---

My child was in the public school system, which was great, but when we found out they had to go to Hythe for junior high we opted to swap him to St. Marys. It is a long day and a lot of hiway travel for no gain.

---

I really think that Beaverlodge Elementary needs to research about why they are losing so many students. I can guarantee through talk in town and our own concerns that there are many reasons that students are leaving BES and its way more than just St Mary School. Instead of trying to take other school students BES needs to improve and fix the problems they have. If they gain junior high students PWSD will continue to lose more students because the issues at BES are not being fixed.

---

That students needs are met educationally, emotionally and physically.

---

Can't think of anything at the moment

---

Safety of our children.

---

thinking of the community members in their specific community.

---

No

---

Elmworth has there own school

---

No

---

Safety of our children.

---

Keep the students in mind first and what would be best for them.

---

Yes! Consider how this impacts Hythe Students. How can a survey be made that will impact Hythe, Horse Lake, High School and Beaverlodge Elementary students be made that only focuses on ONE WINNER. I am disappointed and disgusted. I sure hope that the presentation to the PWPSD Board will not be as biased as this survey is.

---

Stop dividing the communities apart and start to think of it as a whole and what is best for all the children in whole community.

---

Please Listen to this Request. Time for Change as the Current Situation in Not "working" for Beaverlodge Elementary School.

---

No

---

Utilize BES and keep all the amazing staff!

---

The communities deserve to have their own schools, I'd register both my kids in peace Wapiti if this changes

---

Keep young influential aged children in their home communities to be educated and nurtured by their family, friends and community just as other communities have the opportunity to do.

---

Funding for new school

---

---

Please bring our kids home. It's been over 50 years that we have not educated our kids in their own community. They deserve better. Time for a positive change

---

Changes to Beaverlodge High School so kids do not have to ride transfer busses and attend a different school in a different town.

---

It took parents.....parents. Not PWSB management to initiate this obvious change. Leadership at the superintendent level must be scrutinized. Tens of children leaving the public school for years should have been the trigger for these proposals. That job is difficult and requires someone who has the necessary schools to make challenging decisions. Yet parents had to spend way too much time doing the superintendent's job, there are many other areas where PWSB is deficient and being consistently out performed by the Catholic school division. The next person should NOT be a lifer from the PWSB, outside voices are desperately needed. The impressive management and growth of the catholic school district speaks for itself. The community in general sees it and appreciates it. The survey and ideas are generally insulting and years too late, for heavens sakes you guys make a decision and get on with it. Look in the mirror at yourself and be better. Next step appoint a new superintendent as soon as possible.

---

Beaverlodge continues to be turned down in their pursuit of quality education for the junior high students of their community in Beaverlodge. The population base is large enough in Beaverlodge to make it feasible and practical to house our grade 7 to 9 students. At some point the benefits offered our Beaverlodge students need to be considered instead of conforming to the status quo. If we continue down the road of a regionalized junior high in Hythe soon we will have lost much of our student population to St. Mary which will negatively impact both Beaverlodge Elementary and Hythe Junior High.

---

Sounds like Beaverlodge community members just won't stand for this current situation any longer. If Peace Wapiti won't change than Beaverlodge will push for CHARTER.

---

Racism will become a big problem if the change goes forward, communities will be segregated if we don't do our part to be inclusive. Let Hythe keep its Jr High and Beaverlodge its High School.

---

No

---

N/A

---

Yes equal treatment for all students in HRS

---

I moved 2 of my 3 kids from Hythe to st Mary because of the bussing and the atmosphere difference between the 2 jr highs. St Mary staff seem to go the extra mile and offer more extra curricular for students

---

I went to and Hythe jr. high as a teenager and I did not enjoy it. I was from Hythe and I got split up from my friends and was forced to integrate into Beaverlodge's student body. However, I was able to play sports which I did enjoy very much. I think its better for the students mental health to be with their elementary groups in jr. high, but its much better for the teachers and for sports to be together for better programming.

---

If your worried about bullies, teach your kids to stand up for themselves not run from them

---

No

---

No

---

St Mary has already added r portables and two more are planned for summer of 2023.

---

---

Strongly suggest Peace Wapiti remain viable in Beaverlodge. Time for Change The situation is much different than 50 Years ago when this started. It was meant to be Temporary when it began so I'm told from our forefathers.

---

The overall safety of children

---

N/A

---

Just think we need to think of the Kids and not parents wanting to avoid Hythe because of horse lake. It's a great school, good teachers, both sets of kids would suffer if it's changed.

---

Two small communities, the kids end up all together in high school, why try and take them apart in junior high.

---

I would like the board to consider the future of community schooling in Beaverlodge as a whole. I personally believe if this change doesn't happen now, that the public schools in Beaverlodge will continue to lose students to schools with more options and better programs. The schools in Grande Prairie have mostly all been replaced, and many parents, either both or one, work in Grande Prairie. Parents, after covid, realize how important extracurricular activities are and how much more kids are getting in the city. If we do not have the benefit of having our kids in our own community and all that comes with that, if we do not have the benefit of having our kid's enrollment numbers at our own schools so that we can receive the proper funding for the teachers, programs, amenities and extracurricular activities, then there is no benefit for our kids. Our kids don't benefit from going to school in Hythe, Hythe benefits from our kids, and that is no longer acceptable.

---

There needs to be an honest, open and respectful conversation as to the real reason Beaverlodge parents want these changes. I firmly believe that the issue is related to these parents trying to reduce the amount of time (Years) that their kids attend school with kids from Horse Lake and Kelly Lake. We would be better off working together with all four communities and finding ways to be inclusive, to embrace the differences of all kids and let them be kids, making friends from the different communities and cultures.

---

Consider not being bullied by the residents of Beaverlodge. 90% of them are bored housewives that need something to be mad about.

---

request that only current parents of children reply... the hatred and racism in BLG towards Hythe and HL students is ridiculous.. it is the BLG kids that are most involved with drugs and risky behaviour, ask the admin for stats. whatever the decision this conversation will not stop... unless JH and HS are in between each town... if a change is made I think it has to be immediate for Sept 2023.. waiting a full year would be harmful to our community. The conversations at the stores, at the arenas etc. is killing relationships and creating hostility- if a change is determined then make it immediate

---

If we remove our Beaverlodge students from HRS I believe both groups of Jrhigh students will be robbed of opportunities. To make friends, experience a new culture at school (jr high is a big change for hythe students because they are the minority in the school) that integration of our communities is very important at the ages of 12-15 when our children are really starting to understand the world around them, relationships, communication, what's right/wrong/fair.

---

Yes - consider the damage that this kind of change would do to Hythe Regional. I am shocked and disturbed that the entire focus of this study is on Beaverlodge and how a change would benefit that community. There are many communities involved and ultimately the quality of programming needs to be the number one concern. Bussing has not been an issue and should not be considered a talking point in this discussion as all students are bussed at one point or another. It is unreasonable to say it is "dangerous" for one group and then tell the other 4 or 5 communities to hop on the bus to go to BRHS. The populations in rural alberta fluctuate and BES may see growth with that population as it has recently seen a decline, which is inline with the population. While some parents are opting for

---

---

Catholic schools BES should do more investigating into why students are leaving - there might be more to it than "bussing" since I'm sure the kids who have transferred do not all walk to school. Consider funding for education in the upcoming election - which parties prioritizing funding for schools - an increase in funding can help with staffing to alleviate oversized classes, this may be a solution to some of the issues BES is facing rather than devastating a partner schools population.

---

This has always been an issue. However what Beaverlodge seems to forget, they are not special. Kids need to bus either from Hythe or Beaverlodge and every parent and child needs to be aware of this. Working between the two places should be a non start issue. I went to school in both Hythe and Beaverlodge, and I got to make good long lasting friendships. If kids only have 3 years of high school together those relationships in our community are not going to be fostered.

---

Peace Wapiti needs to do what is best for the majority of students while also considering their need to be an attractive option for education in the town of Beaverlodge. I believe they can do this by offering all grade levels of education in Beaverlodge.

---

Please weigh out the pros and cons      The numbers will continue to decline for children attending either Beaverlodge Elementary school and Hythe regional school. It's better to act than to react.

---

As having been a community member for 30 years, I can't believe the decline of students at BES. I attended that school and now my children attend that school. If we have the available infrastructure to have junior high programming in Beaverlodge why wouldn't we be offered that, instead of losing students to the Catholic system. I don't want my kids on that insanely busy stretch of highway. I want my kids in my town and not being bussed 20mins away to a different area. I want what's best for my kids. Period. That's all this boils down to. Not a Hythe vs Beaverlodge matter. Just what's best for my child's education.

---

The Peace Wapiti School Board is responsible for the provision and maintenance of an educational environment that enables ALL students to achieve their potential. A decision against Beaverlodge retaining their Junior High would be a direct denial of this opportunity for Beaverlodge students.

---

Please think of our Beaverlodge Public Students, this transporting our children has gone on for so long and now Beaverlodge Families are just not choosing BES because of it.

---

In the population scenarios are the Catholic Student numbers being taken into consideration? The BES numbers are down because a large number of students have chosen to attend the Catholic School to avoid going to Hythe. If this change happens, are both the BES and BRHS prepared to accommodate the influx of students that will want to switch back to or just to the Peace Wapiti Schools because either they were never really Catholic or their Junior High Student just wants to go to the High School sooner.

---

Not at this time. I believe the current plans are good steps toward a better educational future in our area. Thank you.

---

It is time for change. There are too many problems at Hythe Junior High School

---

Keep the Beaverlodge students home and off the highway

---

Nothing at this time.

---

What is the best for ALL students. Not just Beaverlodge parents.

---

This survey seems very one sided, almost as if it was drawn up to direct us that there is only one option,

---

---

Put a plan in place to prevent this issue from being revisited every few years by a small group of parents who feel they are entitled to change the world to suit their own needs. The school system needs to be considered first and foremost in this situation and not the feelings of a few parents. Does beaverlodge need a new K-6 school - yes - it is old and has been old for many years. Is this how it should be obtained by changing the structure to overcrowd it - NO ! Should the current structure change so some of the students can attend the "art walk" festivities or the street performers festivities as stated by the parent group as a reason to change the current situation- NO ! Are buses travelling West more dangerous than those travelling East on the same highway - NO ! The reasons being presented for the change are not due to curriculum, teachers, pwsd, or even the HRS itself, they are for the parents who don't want their kids leaving Beaverlodge for schooling. Hythe has never once advocated for grades 10-12 to be migrated to Hythe to protect their children other communities, races, and life in general. Growing up, learning, and becoming an adult will involve going to new places, meeting new people, learning new things, and all the ups and downs that go with it, and causing more separation between two communities that are do close together will not be beneficial to anyone, especially the kids

---

The underlying issue of racism does need to be addressed. So when coming up with a plan it would be wonderful if there were a way to bring all these communities together more and not further separate, create animosities, and dismiss teaching diversity and inclusion.

---

No

---

None

---

Hopefully the outcome is what is best for the kids.

---

Bring kids home. Sending them away for over 50 years is way too long.

---

As a former student of HRS, the best thing you can do for Beaverlodge students is to give them alternatives to HRS. Bullying, abuse, and favouritism run rampant, and have run rampant, for 10+ years.

---

Why must this be brought up every few years? Huge expense incurred to do surveys etc and larger expense if the changes came to be. We don't need to bring this up every few years. Causes anymosity between the communities when present system has shown successful.

---

No

---

No

---

I think that it is important that we work together and do what is best for all students. We have a Regional High school that is very effective and we wouldn't consider changing it, because it is the best way to deliver the educational programming for the students. If the Regional JR High operates on the same basis as the High School, then how can we not support the Regional Jr High as the best way to deliver educational programming to the students. Why are we wasting time and money on this issue, when the money should be used to directly aid in the students education?

---

Really understand the implications for ALL communities! As mentioned before, this issue has created huge tensions between these communities before. It's really a shame that this has come up again. Whatever happens, the resentment and antagonism has been reignited, and like before, it will take years to mend. Maybe look at studies done when the decision was made before and see what reasons were behind having the JH remain in Hythe.

---

Na

---

no

---



---

Leave it alone. Don't waste tax payer money on unnecessary school enhancements.

---

This engagement survey and consultation process is a waste of tax payer money. Just like it would be to build a new school 11 km away from one that has capacity and has proven to work.

---

According to further research, this has been an ongoing issue for 50+ years and pits community against community.

---

If possible creating Jr Hg schools in mind with students being closer to home - helps with parents maybe being more involved in school activities and supportive of staff when issues arrive

---

Nothing as of now.

---

Consider that there is a long standing run with both communities . The earlier the divvied is conquered the earlier all our students can benefit . Including students from surrounding areas Horse lake , Kelly Lake , Dennis and Valhalla areas. As all communities come together we can offer an inclusive education system . This change will be detrimental to the unity of all communities .

---

More options and opportunities. Kids are travelling to GP to play sports and take in more opportunities for blended learning

---

Please look at the bigger picture. This change is about doing what is best for Peace Wapiti. The number of families that have already moved their children to St Mary school have spoke volumes about what is lacking in Peace Wapitis education system. This is a small town, we are all well aware that all of these families still reside in and around this community but are simply refusing to bust their children to another community for junior high. In order to keep the student population that BES has and persuade families to enroll their children in the public school system, Peace Wapiti must offer junior high education in Beaverlodge.

---

Impact to HRS does not seem to be mentioned or considered

---

None at this time.

---

Leave it as is

---

Consider building a new high school in Hythe that everyone can attend and converting the older high school in Beaverlodge into elder care housing/facilities, or maybe a drug and alcohol treatment facility or low income housing.

---

Hythe Regional School is such a loving environment and it would break my heart to see that school and it's teachers suffer in anyway. I honestly believe that the bringing together of our communities benefits the children immensely.

---

Scenario 2 is ideal as soon as possible to keep children comfortable with their schooling

---

I feel the idea that the bussing is an issue (that's what I keep hearing) is ridiculous! It is the same stretch of road that any Hythe High School student is going to have to travel to get to BRHS so the argument is mute! AND, I can guarantee that a high number of all those Beaverlodge students ride or drive all kinds of road conditions to get to hockey or any other sport game or practice! I feel the mental & emotional state of the junior high students needs to be taken into a higher consideration - these students are not even close to being ready to be in a High School environment! I also feel all this has more to do with teaching style and leadership within both Hythe and BES, not to mention some prejudice families. Be real people! All these suggested changes are not going to stop an accident from happening and how many have there actually been in the last 50 -100 years? And, do we really feel that keeping our kids away from native kids or troubled kids is actually going to solve the issues? Our kids need to learn to live with all of these things when they hit the real world! Take a higher perspective on the whole and see how crazy this all is. A waste of lots of time and energy!

---



---

High school programming for students in Hythe available in Hythe

---

Please consider what is best for the kids!!

---

No

---

The loss of contact with our indigenous groups, would make it even harder for Horse lake students to go to high school.

---

Yes, I would like you to consider the perspective of the junior high students that are in Hythe right now. I believe, Mrs. Gould, talked to all the junior high students and they wanted the schools to stay the way they are.

---

I just want to applaud the district for how the information was shared. Clearly you have a scenario of choice, however, I appreciated how you encouraged those giving feedback to consider the potential GOOD before expressing their hesitations. I also appreciated how you are allowing people to contribute their thoughts online, through email, through mail and in person as well. The community and ALL stakeholders must feel very grateful for the opportunity to be heard! I would be curious to know what the STUDENTS feel!

---

Beaverlodge just Won't Stand for This Any Longer. It is Time for Change. Our Kids Matter Too.

---

I really hope that you think of the students!

---

Don't segregate! lead with love! Equal opportunity's for ALL students Continue to learn and build relationships that will grow our communities mind set

---

How the teachers feel about this (not just BES teachers, but HRS and BRHS). How HYTHE students feel about this

---

Consider the children. Children who have missed 2 years of strong schooling because of Covid. These children need the support of their own communities

---

Yes. Instead of demanding resources for new hires, and everything that would entail if these ridiculous changes occur, I would like to see: -The hot lunch program free for Jr. High kids in Hythe, I don't believe that children should 'age out' of something that can benefit them so greatly, and I'm sure there are a lot of families who would struggle to pay \$4/day/child for them to partake in the program. -I would like a mental health program that is actually going to be practical, and utilized. I would love to see an actual licenses psychologist (or two) that is mandatory for each child to meet with. If, after 'x' amount sessions, the psychologist determines that the student could be seen less frequently (instead of monthly) GREAT. I firmly believe that a counsellor is not trained in the ways to truly benefit our youth, nor do I believe that students are as comfortable speaking to them than they would be someone they don't see at school on a regular basis. I keep hearing and seeing how important it is to focus on the mental health of our children-yet the resources that go towards this goal seem to be throwing good money after bad. All good intentions, but the execution is lacking, redundant, or just something that won't be utilized.

---

No

---

Add psychology to the curriculum

---

bes k-9

---

How many opportunities students will miss out on due to having less students and less teachers. The extra-curricular activities, the specialized classes, and so many more things will be lost with less students.

---

Stop having this conversation every 5 years and capitulating to whiny racist parents in Beaverlodge who don't want their kids going to the same school as horselake kids.

---

---

Regionalization at the high school for better education makes sense. This also makes sense for keeping the schools the way they are for the regionalization of the junior high as well.

---

Ask student's as they should have a voice as well.

---

It would make more sense to keep the Junior High as it is. While BES is obviously suffering, there is an alternative educational option I Beaverlodge for K-9 education, there is NO alternative option in Hythe.

---

No

---

I am in grade 11 and my brother is in grade 8 I could not imagine going to school with him and his friends as there is a big maturity difference. Putting younger grades in the high school will only create problems

---

Onsite childcare. Smaller class sizes . Indigenous supports is there isn't anything already in place

---

I know some of the people who go to St. Mary to be elitist, homophobic racists and it wouldn't matter if there was a 7-9 option in Beaverlodge because they don't want their kids to be educated in an inclusive environment. They like to be "better" than everyone else and St. Mary uses some unethical tactics to increase their student population. What ever happened to needing to be Catholic to go to a Catholic school? There is no guarantee that student population size in Beaverlodge would increase if 7-9 students stayed in Beaverlodge. Some might actually consider going to St. Mary to avoid going to BRHS for grade 8/9.

---

It would be amazing if people in Beaverlodge weren't so worried about their children going to school with Horse Lake kids and hide it with bussing concerns. Bussing will not go away for the children that live in the County. We are looking at affecting the many to appease the few. Peace Wapiti should take an honest look at why people are leaving BES and you will find it is more than "people want to be in a new school" Changing this situation and moving children around is not going to help if the problem truly is that people want their kids in a new school or no busses as neither of these things change for the majority.

---

Don't drag out the inevitable, limping schools along on poor funding and low numbers makes for a terrible learning environment for the students. Hythe needs a school, but Beaverlodge is a better option for junior high and high school. We won't consider sending our kids to Beaverlodge as they would attend 3 schools. Please just streamline the process.

---

A full proposal of where the additional grades would go in Beaverlodge would help parents who may be on the fence

---

Don't forget about the people you would be hurting by pulling Beaverlodge out of Hythe. Teachers, students, parents, etc.

---

Not that I can think of

---

Yes, it should be considered that within a few years the numbers are very likely to rise within the public school. Our new Catholic school is already stuffed full and adding portables. What will the plan be when the community wishes to keep their children in their own towns and BES doesn't have the capacity to host a K-8 school anymore? It should also be seriously considered that the issue of a junior high in Beaverlodge has been brought to the table numerous times over the years with no result for that community. Why does this conversation/ issue continue to take place with no result for the town of Beaverlodge. This community continues to be denied while we have watched multiple schools over the years be built within Gp. Most of which run a 9-12 program. When it comes to sports, our BRHS combines grades 10-12 while other schools run a junior and senior sports program. A 9-12 school would enable more kids to play and help develop more competitive stronger teams compatible on the junior and senior levels.

---

---

Take the time and really consider the facts and information. It blatantly tells you what the best scenario is here.

---

not at this time I could think of

---

N/a

---

Why is enrollment at BES decreasing? Is enrollment at St. Mary's in Beaverlodge increasing? If so, what are the reasons for students switching schools?

---

Na

---

Please consider the importance of not bussing our children everyday when it's not necessary

---

The ability to allow successful education from K-12 within the Beaverlodge Community.

---

n/a

---

BES K-8 BRHS 9-12 HRS K-9

---

Keep our kids in our community so we can grow more whole

---

I attended an assembly the other day at the Beaverlodge Elementary School. You could fit all the students, the teachers and the guests in HALF of the school gym. I attended the Beaverlodge Elementary School when I was a child and I remember that gym being full, sometimes standing room only. I was shocked at how much our numbers are down. Which is why I think it is so important for Peace Wapiti School Board to take notice at the current situation in Beaverlodge.

---

Listen to the parents; evaluate and do whT best for students safety, mental health and what is financially viable.

---

It is difficult to convey the feelings of Hythe and Horselake communities in a politically correct way. Racism has and continues to be a major part of this discussion and the hidden force behind the platform to change the school configurations. It should not and cannot be ignored.

---

Junior High extracurricular sports would have another team for the area! Elmworth, St. Mary, Wembley, Hythe, BES. I think that is a bonus!

---

No

---

No

---

Please move the schools

---

I've said enough haha

---

No

---

Maybe Horselake could house their students on the reserve and keep their culture local. They have a beautiful arena maybe they could spend our govt money effectively and build a school. Culture solved

---

The Hythe students should not be left behind for their social and educational profaning to suffer

---

As long as Hythe can continue to Have enough students for their sports teams (that's really all they have)

---

This needs to be carefully executed. There is a lot of history between these two communities and there is potential for either something really great or really bad.

---

Keep as is

---

---

No

---

Unfortunately the division of the schools, opens up the battle between communities once again. Our children play sports together, school and otherwise which has helped to reunite the communities. There would be no teams from Hythe left that would be competitive with the rest of the school division. The whole situation breaks my heart .

---

The whole community benefits from having all our students attending school in their home town.

---

I think Beaverlodge should Chose what's best for Beaverlodge students and Hythe should chose what's best for Hythe's students. Public consultation for each others students creates nothing but animosity and Ill will.

---

No

---

Nope

---

By kids have benefitted greatly in regards to mental health when they were able to join Beaverlodge as they then found their niche of friends and people they have things in common with. The social aspect of these schools joining is insurmountable and I feel it would be a huge detriment to the children from smaller communities to lose that exposure

---

Just making sure there is enough class room space for the students and to make sure it isn't to over crowded

---

Sooner then later for change.

---

Teachers and staff members will have an insane amount of stress on them. These schools are way too small for that amount of students attending. If we had the size of schools that are in Grande Prairie, like the new Composite Highschool, and St. Joes, scenario 1 and 2 could potentially be an option.

---

I think creating a new plan will disrupt the strong connections between communities and will decrease the opportunity for students.

---

,

---

Most parents I've spoken to would like their children to be taught in their home town and prefer the schooling be taught in beaverlodgr for the beaverlodge kids

---

I think the program has been very lucky to have not had a disaster on the highways with loss of life. I believe your on borrowed time until it happens. There is so much more traffic and reckless drivers. I pray this never ever happens.

---

Have you surveyed the students to see what they think of the K to 9 in Hythe vs Beaverlodge scenario?

---

Just know that we parents have been trying to have something like this for years and have always got the response we don't have the room blah blah blah. We are losing so many families to St Mary's and now we have the room. Our building needs to be utilized and we need our kids in our own community.

---

I want you to consider being a parent working full time and having children in a school outside of their community. Be the parent that has to say sorry, honey; you can't play basketball b/c I can't pick you up after practice. Sorry honey, I know you're sick, but you have to stay at school b/c there is no one to pick you up. Sorry honey, you must be on the bus for another 1/2 hr. even though you have been on the bus for an hour already. You be that parent and tell me what the benefits are for your child to be going to Hythe.

---

Think of the children

---

No

---

---

I think you should consider the impact moving kids out to hythe for a few grades of school has on children and families. Why is it fair to bounce the kids around to a different school in a different community just because BL doesn't cover those grades right now, but seem perfectly capable of doing so. I know my children are going to be very anxious and nervous attending a new school, now add that it's in Hythe and it's only temporary before they have to move back to Beaverlodge for high school into another school with more new teachers.

---

Beaverlodge is the only community that buses it's students to a smaller community for junior high. This results in kids being on the bus for long periods of time that would not be necessary if they stayed in Beaverlodge. Adding bussing times and lack of breaks can lead to decreased learning and behavior problems for certain students. While it may make extracurricular teams less competitive it would give students who have a desire to play a better opportunity if there are less students trying out for the teams. It also would open the opportunity for other students who do not have the ability to participate in extracurricular due to it being outside of their community they live in and inability of parents being able to pick them up.

---

No comment

---

Please give it an objective point of view and do not allow personal emotions come into the decision making. This is a moment that could have real positive change on so many lives and it could be the beginning of something great! The slogan in Beaverlodge is "A Place to Build Dreams", let's live up to it.

---

Parents need to be informed of the facts. The false information and unsupported rumours and comments need to be refuted

---

No

---

N/a

---

You are encouraging other schools to branch out to schools (grovedale, Grande prairie, etc) but are discouraging Beaverlodge students to branch to other communities? This lowers their opportunities.

---

N/A

---

There will be alot of people that do not want their kids with grade 10-12s that will not send them at that age to BRHS. I think it's a terrible idea and many people in the community think if there is a plan a completely separate junior high for 7-9 needs to be built. Not added to either school. That is unlikely. Why reinvent the wheel. Maybe fix it instead.

---

Beaverlodge Residents will Push for Charter School if the current situation doesn't Change.

---

As much as I want to support any and all decisions for the future of BES, I believe that there needs to be some "restructuring" within the school. I had my child (as well as my upcoming children to be enrolled) in BES and will never step foot back to that school again due to one of the teachers, Tara Alde. Many students have been pulled from that school due to her but she is still there. So, even if there's busing concerns and other issues, the people putting this together need to look at other issues that have caused a decline in enrolment. Valhalla has had a rapid increase in numbers as well, not just St Mary's. Considering hythe has been where the kids have been going to school for years now, you need to look at it from a different view and realize that it may be within the school that's the reason that there's a decline in enrolment.

---

Consider the poor horse lake kids, too big of class sizes in Beaverlodge and trying to get extracurricular activities in Beaverlodge is like pulling teeth. In Hythe they do that willingly. Hythe school is way better than any in Beaverlodge except the elementary

---

---

Bring our junior high kids back to Beaverlodge

---

The kids are what's important, look at the high school, and all the kids coming in, they've had a wonderful education.

---

No

---

Why change something that's not broken and if it's cause attendance is down, then maybe consider little changes first, such as why makes kids stand outside? Let them come in 20 to 15 mins before school starts. That would probably help lots to with the terrible congestion of parents standing around, parking like idiots and kids running around. Now that is something that should change!

---

I just hope that parents who are pushing for change are considering what really is best for their child(ren) and their educational experience.

---

This has been an ongoing debate since the 1980's and much earlier. Some folks are less tolerant and understanding of other cultures and have been so since their families came here in the early part of the last century. Ask long time residents of Hythe how long this has been going on. Is creating more division between these communities in the best interests of the students?

---

N/a

---

Hythe is not a bad school. Bussing is not far. This complaint seems silly from a past resident of the area

---

It really is time to put this issue to rest, every few years the flame is fanned and everyone is up in arms, taking emotion out of the situation it is sensible to educate children in their own communities. Thank you.

---

Ask students at the Hythe school their thoughts. Many students love it there. Hythe Regional School polled students to see their thoughts and it was a positive response.

---

I think you should consider all the other schools in the area and if they put their children on buses and head up the highway to a village 15 mins away!

---

No

---

No

---

As long as the options continued to be offered for all junior high students I feel that keeping the kids in our own communities is the absolute best answer for everyone.

---

Why not think about what's best for the students, their parents, the community, safety, reality... instead of only what's easiest or cheapest.

---

No.

---

Our kids were surveyed last year about the school. I hope that those results are being looked at seeing as a lot of the new surveys will be tainted by parent persuasion. Please consider what is best for the students and Peace Wapiti staff and budget, and not what people who are not familiar with the schools want

---

Having some of the Hythe school teachers transfer to Beaverlodge to continue teaching

---

No.

---

You guys have done a great job! Thank you for doing this and wanting to better our community. Fingers crossed change is coming.

---

---

Please carefully consider the social consequences of this choice. Removing students from a multicultural environment will increase the amount of racism in these communities

---

No

---

The Beaverlodge school is already at capacity. A new building would be needed to house more students. The school budgets are stretched. I feel it would be better to try to reduce class sizes of the BES school, rather than try to stuff more kids into a full system.

---

Safety of students is the number one concern. Consider the biggest issue of dividing students by religion and get rid of 2 separate school divisions in Alberta. In this day of inclusion and equality, we should not be dividing our children based on religion, location, or ANY thing else.

---

No I think you're doing a great job!

---

Leave it as is it has been working just fine for many years

---

The Hythe JrHigh students are happy together. They are building friendships across communities, enjoying sports teams together and enhancing their learning. They are receiving a quality education that is made all the more rich from being able to pool resources, thereby having subject specialized teachers, varied and interesting option classes along with K&E classes. The students have not been complaining. Is decimating one school in the hopes of building up another really the best decision? Is it guaranteed to work? Is it in the best educational interest of all students? Staffing at HRS would be greatly reduced. With the demanding work load of teaching small groups of Jr High students (possibly split grades) several different subject areas that teachers may not be trained for, with reduced resources, attract good teachers? Would it attract teachers at all when they could work at Grande Prairie schools in subject specialty areas with greater resources, the conveniences of a city, along with no commute? Is this the best way to serve our students? Would this be in their best educational interest? I would also, respectfully like you to seriously consider the unspoken racial dimensions behind this push from the BES school council. Is that what we want to be involved with and seen to be supporting? In a time of Truth and Reconciliation the optics of this could be devastating. With this type of underlying messaging will Horse Lake see this as the impetus to build their own school? Is this best for our district and students? We are stronger together. HRS is already built to accommodate Jr High students. I could go on indefinitely about the educational and social/emotional benefits of maintaining the configuration we currently have. We are better together. Will families want their children going to schools with reduced educational and sports options? Will they go to other schools that are just as convenient and offer more? Weakening our educational offerings does not make us stronger. We are stronger together. Our students deserve the best educational experiences we can offer. Irregardless of bus rides or convenience.

---

Please stop bussing our kids to Hythe. All these kids do not need to be out on the road unnecessarily.

---

Think about the children and their best interest and benefits of staying the same.

---

Shut down St Mary school. Improve your building utilization

---

No

---

N/A

---

Its an outdated system that we are living in. It needs to change

---

Take into consideration the affects that will come to the JH and brhs teachers too, not just the students/parents. As a parent of a Hythe elementary grade 6 student, I'm really looking forward to her meeting new friends in junior high. I highly oppose any changes.

---

---

Hythe is a dieing town. If kids stay in Beaverlodge it will attract more people to go to school here

---

How much money could be put into school system such as ea support mental health support instead of trying to separate the schools

---

I think this is long overdue and should have been done long time ago..

---

Truth and reconciliation. I believe that this conversation, historically has been rooted in racism, whether that has changed or not, I'm unsure. But I believe there is beautiful value in having our indigenous population and our students from Beaverlodge within the same building in junior high.

---

This is not meant to be a division between Beaverlodge and Hythe. We are only looking out for the best interest of OUR kids, which any parent would do. Any outsider looking in has got to see that it is absurd that we still bus Beaverlodge kids to Hythe!

---

How terrible it is to rip children away from their families during such a crucial time in their emotional and social development.

---

I feel now that Hythe is part of the County of Grande Prairie, there is no longer a reason to hijack our children. It's 2023 and we have a lot more options then we did 50 years ago, lets figure this out once and for all and give Beaverlodge back their kids!

---

If this happens it will be very hard in HRS, the staff , students. The sports teams in HRS will also be impacted. I do not think grade 8 should be in the highschool at all.

---

No

---

No.

---

Not at this time

---

If you split the Junior High - Specialized Junior High teachers would be split or moved completely to one place or another and students will miss out on what those teachers can offer.

---

We have been so lucky to have not had an accident on the travel to and from Hythe.....it would be utterly devastating if one were to happen especially knowing it could have been avoided by keeping our children in their own community.

---

N/a

---

Just the basis of demographics in our area Beaverlodge is a vibrant growing community and the only one of its size in the PWSD that doesn't host its Jr high population. We have a population that is going to continue to grow and parents want children to stay educated in the community for K-12, so if public education doesn't provide all grades in the town Beaverlodge more and more families are going to switch to the Catholic school.

---

This should have never been an issue, the school board should have never started taking kids out of their community at such a young age

---

School layout, class sizes need to be considered and again, ensuring safety of children should be at the forefront.

---

If the Beaverlodge kids stayed in Beaverlodge for their middle schooling, I bet more families would keep their kids in the public school system instead of sending their kids to the st Mary school in beaverlodge. Our numbers would go up and it would keep our kids together. Siblings wouldn't be separated. It would be so convenient and much

---



---

safer. It would also be more cost effective. Hythe has enough numbers to keep their community together so let us because we have the numbers

---

This has been an ongoing battle for many years and it needs to stop. The board made decisions in the past taking everything into consideration and we should trust that the right decisions were made as a whole. The decision was made the Junior High come to Hythe and then we in turn send the High School to Beaverlodge and there are more beneficial programs offered as a result.

---

I find it very sad that people don't understand the importance and the value of a larger junior high, merging communities, and encouraging your children to be compassionate and understanding of all people.

---

Consider the kids that are getting on the bus before 7:30am to attend school at 8:45. The kids that are coded with learning plans in place being uprooted several times. The ones that want to play school sports but can't get a ride.

---

Utilize the community around you. School shouldn't be just sitting in a classroom the whole time. We have wonderful places in our community - pool, gym, cultural center, Research Centre, museums, etc. Jr high students should not be denied being a part of that. Beaverlodge students are missing out on a lot that their Elementary and High school siblings/friends are a part of. Jr High students are not given enough time to get a break through the day. Add in extra bussing ... it's taxing on their mental and physical health. No matter what happens, this is a key concern by many Jr high parents and students.

---

I look forward to my child who is enrolled at BES attending junior high at HRS. If this was to change, I would consider enrolling my child elsewhere.

---

The importance of 7-9 remaining in Hythe.

---

Think about the kids and not the parents that don't want to be inconvenienced. Also I hope this snag change isn't a racist move as I've heard many comments made

---

Are there enough kids in the hythe area to run the school elementary to junior high? If so then let that be what happens and build the new school in Beaverlodge to do the same thing. It would make smaller class sizes for both schools and the learning and interaction with students and teachers should be positive.

---

Please consider the damage that has been done to our current schools. Please consider the community activities that have been misses by our children. Please consider how families have been affected by having their children in another community. Please consider that it takes a village to raise a child and we, in Beaverlodge, have not been allowed this opportunity or right for our own children.

---

The students well being and health are the most important when considering any scenarios. If you don't have students you don't need staff or programs. When looking at all of this it is not about losing staff, or funding, it is about the student. Are they still getting the same experience no matter what building they are in? Why does one town have to sacrifice for another town? I think there is a solution no one has come up with yet that does not worry about funding or staff but really it should be about their learning experience and environment. If the staff you do have are passionate and trying new ways to teach, and the school offers some really neat programming that will actually teach them skills they need for their future then that's all that matters. Every time I had to switch to a new school it was a little scary but also felt like a new start too. School is something that every child has to do to grow up and be successful. Having a change sometimes is a good thing.

---

Consider the population, the infrastructure of beaverlodge, the access of Beaverlodge and the robust economy and growth of Beaverlodge. Our public school is dying and resulting in a SPIKE in growth of the Catholic school. Our programming and funding in Beaverlodge is suffering as a result

---

---

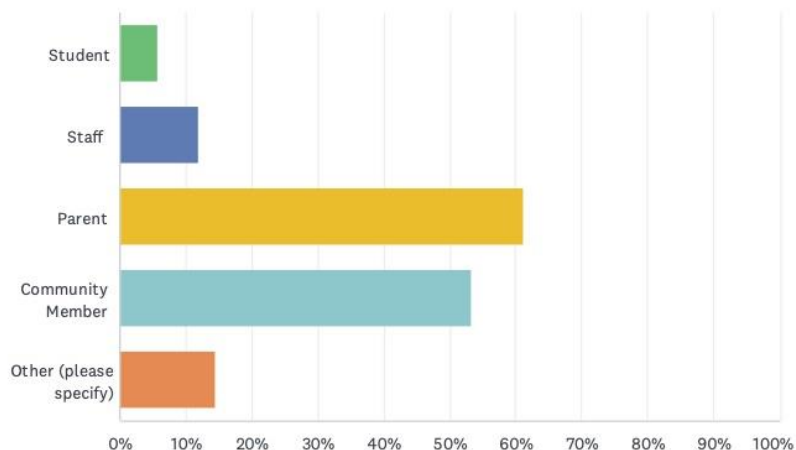
Peace Wapiti needs to stay competitive by offering junior high education in Beaverlodge. A vast majority of the student population that has been lost is families choosing the Catholic School system for the simple fact that they do offer junior high in Beaverlodge. I am a strong believer that by Peace Wapiti offering junior high, they would overcome this obstacle of losing students.

---

No

---

**What is your connection to this conversation? Please select all that apply:**



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Student	5.68% 34
Staff	11.85% 71
Parent	61.10% 366
Community Member	53.26% 319
Other (please specify)	14.52% 87
Total Respondents: 599	

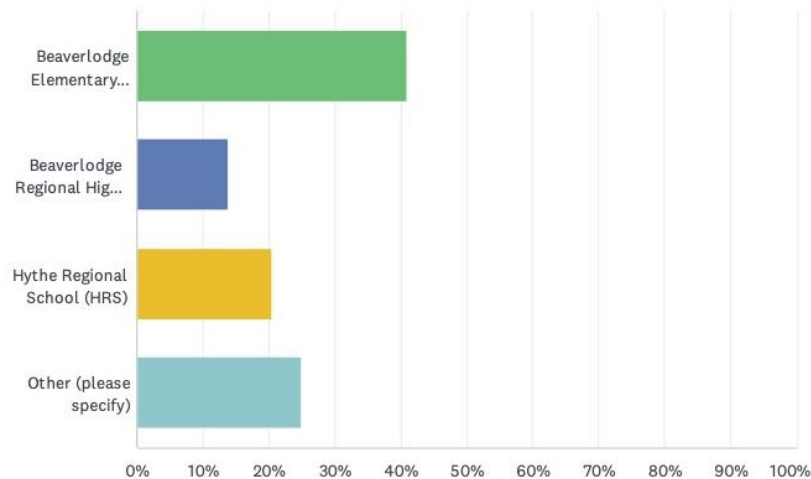
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Former parent of students and parent council member bes and hrjh	2/24/2023 10:09 AM
2	Grand parent	2/23/2023 7:52 PM
3	Grandparent	2/22/2023 11:36 AM
4	Currently not working teacher	2/17/2023 2:33 PM
5	Past Elmworth and BRHS student	2/16/2023 8:32 PM
6	Grandparent	2/16/2023 10:24 AM
7	I've gone through this current system and have made lifelong friends from hythe beaverlodge elmworth Wembley Valhalla and would probably have never met them other wise	2/16/2023 10:15 AM
8	Grandparent with grandchildren in the system & community member	2/15/2023 4:38 PM
9	Past trustee	2/15/2023 4:08 PM

10	Grand parent	2/14/2023 8:00 PM
11	Grand parent	2/14/2023 7:47 PM
12	Grandparent	2/14/2023 1:00 PM
13	Grandparent and will be future great grandparents of the children	2/13/2023 8:02 PM
14	part of a family that has five generations in the beaverlodge	2/13/2023 5:56 PM
15	Grandparent and former employee	2/13/2023 10:37 AM
16	Grandparent	2/12/2023 11:20 PM
17	Past parent, & community member	2/12/2023 4:28 PM
18	Tax payer. Beaverlodge resident. Concerned citizen.	2/12/2023 11:33 AM
19	Grandparent	2/11/2023 8:58 PM
20	Grandparent to the bused children	2/11/2023 8:41 PM
21	Past student	2/10/2023 6:39 PM
22	Resident of Beaverlodge	2/10/2023 4:56 PM
23	Grand parent. My children had to go to hythe Jr high.	2/10/2023 8:07 AM
24	Previous hythe transfer bus rider.	2/10/2023 7:36 AM
25	former resident of beaverlodge and attended all 3 schools	2/10/2023 6:45 AM
26	Grandparent	2/9/2023 11:45 PM
27	Friends daughter	2/8/2023 2:09 PM
28	Former staff (10 years at BES)	2/8/2023 6:23 AM
29	Parent of former BES/HRS students	2/7/2023 1:18 PM
30	My Mom is Elouise Johnson. This change in the schools was her passion during her whole career on the Peace Wapiti School Board. It would be amazing to see her passion finally fulfilled.	2/5/2023 1:15 PM
31	Future junior high/high school parent	2/3/2023 11:18 PM
32	Ex -Student	2/3/2023 11:13 PM
33	Auntie and uncle to children in Beaverlodge	2/3/2023 10:48 PM
34	Parent of young children who will soon be enrolled in kindergarten. Previous teacher as St Mary's Catholic School	2/3/2023 10:46 PM
35	Choices A, C; D	2/3/2023 1:38 PM
36	Auntie to many children in all communities	2/3/2023 9:54 AM
37	Former community member	2/3/2023 8:03 AM
38	Previous student, parent and community member of the current scenario.	2/3/2023 8:00 AM
39	Grand parents raising a jr. student	2/2/2023 9:30 PM
40	Former student	2/2/2023 8:56 PM
41	Grandparent/former parent	2/2/2023 7:43 PM
42	Grandparent and community member that has attended both bes and hrjhs	2/2/2023 5:10 PM
43	Former student, siblings are students.	2/2/2023 4:36 PM
44	Grandparent	2/1/2023 7:15 AM
45	Grand parent	1/31/2023 5:20 PM
46	Use to live in hythe with school age children	1/31/2023 10:56 AM

47	I am a teacher and will be moving to Beaverlodge this summer and hope to be able to contribute to BES school community!	1/30/2023 11:16 PM
48	Grandparent	1/30/2023 10:54 PM
49	Former student/ former parent/ Aunty & community member	1/30/2023 8:23 PM
50	I have been all four at both schools	1/30/2023 8:02 PM
51	Grandparent	1/30/2023 7:33 PM
52	Bus driver and community member	1/30/2023 5:57 PM
53	Grandparent	1/30/2023 2:53 PM
54	Alumni of the current system. I went to HES, then HRJHS, and then BRHS. I was a bus student for most of those years, and honestly-it isn't the kids complaining about the bus rides, it's the parents.	1/30/2023 12:36 PM
55	Local business owner	1/29/2023 8:32 AM
56	Future Grandparent and former student	1/27/2023 8:11 PM
57	Former student and will be a grandparent to future enrolled students	1/27/2023 7:20 PM
58	Family members attend the schools and I used to attend the schools	1/26/2023 8:11 PM
59	Bus Driver for PWPSD	1/26/2023 5:37 PM
60	Former student	1/26/2023 2:14 PM
61	And grandparent	1/26/2023 7:32 AM
62	Grandparent to students and parents of former students	1/26/2023 12:14 AM
63	Past student of BES, HRS,BRHS	1/25/2023 10:01 PM
64	Former student to BES, HRS, and BRHS	1/25/2023 9:46 PM
65	Past student who attended HRS for Jr.high and had a phenomenal experience (playing sports, access to resources, meeting friends,etc)	1/25/2023 4:43 PM
66	Future Parent	1/25/2023 2:38 PM
67	Grandparent	1/25/2023 10:36 AM
68	Human	1/25/2023 12:16 AM
69	Grandparent of Beaverlodge students	1/24/2023 10:56 PM
70	Family	1/24/2023 10:00 PM
71	Proud parent of Hythe school kids and live in beaverlodge	1/24/2023 9:28 PM
72	Grandparent	1/24/2023 9:24 PM
73	Relative of students	1/24/2023 8:16 PM
74	School tax payer	1/24/2023 8:10 PM
75	I was a Jr high needlessly shipped to Hythe daily. It creates hard ships on many levels.	1/24/2023 7:52 PM
76	Retired Teacher with grandkids unnecessarily being bussed on dangerous highway. This was a temporary solution made 50 years ago and it no longer works because of the drastic change in our environment and economy.	1/24/2023 7:18 PM
77	Grandparent who had children in the current schooling scenario	1/24/2023 7:02 PM
78	Grand parent	1/24/2023 6:47 PM
79	Beaverlodge resident.	1/24/2023 6:47 PM
80	Past student of both Hythe Elementary, Junior High and Beaverlodge High School	1/24/2023 6:09 PM

81	Grew up in the communities and still have investments in the areas financial and in seeing the growth of both hythe and Beaverlodge	1/24/2023 6:04 PM
82	Grandparent	1/24/2023 5:56 PM
83	Previous student of HRS	1/24/2023 5:39 PM
84	Aunt of elementary kids	1/24/2023 4:20 PM
85	Former resident of Beaverlodge	1/24/2023 3:41 PM
86	future parent	1/24/2023 3:37 PM
87	Grandparents	1/24/2023 12:59 PM

## What school(s) are you affiliated with?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Beaverlodge Elementary School (BES)	40.90%	245
Beaverlodge Regional High School (BRHS)	13.86%	83
Hythe Regional School (HRS)	20.37%	122
Other (please specify)	24.87%	149
TOTAL		599

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	HRS and BRHS.	2/24/2023 4:09 PM
2	Have been with all three over 40 yrs	2/24/2023 10:09 AM
3	All of them	2/23/2023 8:10 PM
4	BES and HRS (children at both)	2/23/2023 3:02 PM
5	Tax payer in the County south of Beaverlodge	2/23/2023 1:11 PM
6	My children have attended all schools at some point.	2/23/2023 12:44 PM
7	I have children in each school mention above and also went to school at all 3.	2/23/2023 11:22 AM
8	BES and HRS	2/23/2023 9:23 AM
9	All three	2/23/2023 8:36 AM
10	St Mary	2/23/2023 1:48 AM
11	Your survey should allow more than one option. i.e. choose Bvlg. Elm. AND Hythe	2/20/2023 8:40 AM



12	St Mary's, attended Bes and HRS	2/17/2023 8:14 PM
13	None	2/17/2023 4:35 PM
14	All three schools	2/17/2023 4:20 PM
15	All	2/17/2023 2:33 PM
16	Elmworth	2/17/2023 12:53 PM
17	none	2/17/2023 11:51 AM
18	This should not matter	2/16/2023 10:56 PM
19	The whole community	2/16/2023 11:37 AM
20	Valhalla Community School	2/16/2023 10:49 AM
21	All 3 schools	2/16/2023 10:41 AM
22	Both hythe and beaverlodge I have children and grandkids in both	2/16/2023 10:15 AM
23	My kids are adults, they attended St. Mary, HRS, and BRHS. My granddaughter is in St. Mary	2/15/2023 7:08 PM
24	I'm not affiliated with any school. I just support community-based schooling.	2/15/2023 4:08 PM
25	I was affiliated with Elmworth and BRHS	2/15/2023 1:56 PM
26	all of the above	2/15/2023 11:45 AM
27	BRHS and BES	2/14/2023 1:00 PM
28	St. Mary	2/14/2023 12:59 PM
29	None	2/14/2023 11:06 AM
30	All schools	2/13/2023 8:02 PM
31	All of the above	2/13/2023 6:34 PM
32	why does this matter	2/13/2023 5:56 PM
33	ST. MARY	2/13/2023 4:00 PM
34	All the above	2/13/2023 11:45 AM
35	my kids have all graduated	2/13/2023 11:40 AM
36	Beaverlodge resident & former parent of 2 school aged children	2/12/2023 4:28 PM
37	St Marys	2/11/2023 11:10 PM
38	My kids have attended all three schools over the years	2/11/2023 10:01 AM
39	No school children in family	2/10/2023 9:52 PM
40	St. Marys - Used to be BES	2/10/2023 10:25 AM
41	Have a toddler that will attend in Beaverlodge in near future	2/10/2023 8:32 AM
42	Beaverlodge St Mary	2/10/2023 7:12 AM
43	attended all 3 schools growing up	2/10/2023 6:45 AM
44	St Mary's	2/9/2023 9:46 PM
45	St Mary	2/9/2023 1:03 PM
46	All of them	2/9/2023 4:37 AM
47	Mom of children that I plan to have attend the school in the future	2/8/2023 10:33 PM
48	n/a	2/8/2023 2:09 PM
49	St. Mary's	2/8/2023 12:49 PM

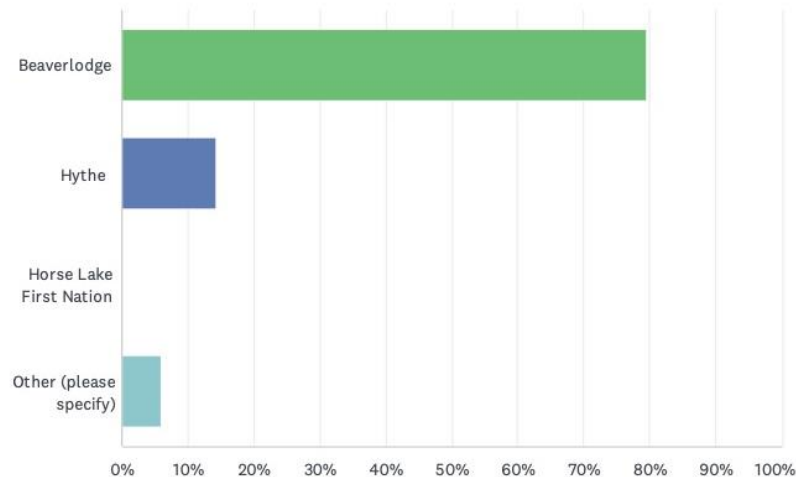


50	All 3 schools	2/7/2023 11:24 AM
51	HRS and BES	2/6/2023 10:59 AM
52	HRS AND BES	2/5/2023 11:18 PM
53	St Mary	2/5/2023 5:56 PM
54	All 3	2/5/2023 1:15 PM
55	None	2/4/2023 11:43 AM
56	Both bes and brhs	2/4/2023 8:20 AM
57	I've had children in all 3 schools, and my daughter and daughter-in-law are both teachers who are hoping to teach in Beaverlodge	2/4/2023 6:45 AM
58	None technically yet	2/3/2023 11:18 PM
59	BES & ST MARYS	2/3/2023 10:46 PM
60	both Beaverlodge and Hythe	2/3/2023 3:59 PM
61	ALL grandchildren in all both schools	2/3/2023 1:52 PM
62	I have been affiliated with all and will most likely be affiliated with all in the future, unless this is passed and the children stay in Beaverlodge.	2/3/2023 1:38 PM
63	St Marys	2/3/2023 12:28 PM
64	This should not matter	2/3/2023 11:13 AM
65	Children at BES and HRS	2/3/2023 10:22 AM
66	Concerned member of the Community	2/3/2023 9:52 AM
67	Presently none	2/3/2023 8:03 AM
68	I was affiliated with all three schools.	2/3/2023 8:00 AM
69	Past parent who has gone through these meetings several times	2/2/2023 4:17 PM
70	Presently home schooling	2/2/2023 4:00 PM
71	None	2/1/2023 3:33 PM
72	Wembley	2/1/2023 9:34 AM
73	BES and HRS, I have children in both schools	1/31/2023 11:03 PM
74	My children attend both BES and HRS	1/31/2023 2:36 PM
75	St Mary School	1/31/2023 2:08 PM
76	Elmworth School	1/31/2023 12:01 PM
77	ALL OF THE ABOVE	1/31/2023 9:08 AM
78	None yet! But looking forward to the possibilities!	1/30/2023 11:16 PM
79	St Mary	1/30/2023 10:35 PM
80	My kids have graduated	1/30/2023 7:01 PM
81	Both HES and BRHS	1/30/2023 5:57 PM
82	Currently hythe but moving	1/30/2023 4:15 PM
83	Valhalla Community School	1/30/2023 4:05 PM
84	BRHS and HRS (grandchildren go)	1/30/2023 2:53 PM
85	PARENT AT HYTHE, STAFF AT BES	1/30/2023 10:12 AM
86	I went to school at St Mary and BRHS, my child will soon be going into school in Beaverlodge.	1/29/2023 5:43 PM

87	All	1/29/2023 3:55 PM
88	I have been a support worker at both Hythe Regional and Hythe Elementary schools and have seen the benefits and quality of love and support given to students and know it works as is	1/29/2023 2:01 PM
89	St Mary's school	1/29/2023 8:32 AM
90	St Mary	1/28/2023 11:42 PM
91	Goodfare	1/28/2023 4:55 PM
92	St Mary	1/28/2023 1:50 PM
93	Live in BL. Attended Hythe jr high and brhs	1/28/2023 12:01 PM
94	I have children in ALL 3 schools. And I also attended these schools when I was a student.	1/28/2023 11:56 AM
95	Our kids are 2&3, but we plan to send them to Hythe.	1/28/2023 10:51 AM
96	St. Mary as I wanted to keep my child in their own community.	1/27/2023 8:11 PM
97	I have been affiliated with all the schools and will be a parent of a BRHS student in the near future	1/27/2023 7:20 PM
98	St Mary	1/27/2023 11:58 AM
99	St. Mary	1/26/2023 11:16 PM
100	Moved my kids for BES and Hythe to st Mary in bl to avoid bussing	1/26/2023 8:06 PM
101	Not important	1/26/2023 7:56 PM
102	None	1/26/2023 6:12 PM
103	ALL SCHOOLS BES, BRHS, HRS	1/26/2023 6:02 PM
104	Elmworth School, but have driven a Beaverlodge route in the past	1/26/2023 5:37 PM
105	Both HRS and BHRS	1/26/2023 2:14 PM
106	St marys	1/26/2023 10:44 AM
107	All three	1/26/2023 12:14 AM
108	Past student	1/25/2023 10:01 PM
109	All	1/25/2023 9:46 PM
110	Wembley	1/25/2023 6:02 PM
111	Staff at BES, kids attend HRS	1/25/2023 5:44 PM
112	NA	1/25/2023 4:43 PM
113	all	1/25/2023 4:03 PM
114	All the above	1/25/2023 2:36 PM
115	Not yet school age children	1/25/2023 12:42 PM
116	Children are not school age yet	1/25/2023 12:15 PM
117	Community member	1/25/2023 11:26 AM
118	Hythe and Beaverlodge as a Sub	1/25/2023 9:25 AM
119	Community member	1/25/2023 7:39 AM
120	I think it is obvious	1/25/2023 12:16 AM
121	St Mary's	1/24/2023 11:10 PM
122	BES and HRS	1/24/2023 11:08 PM
123	St Mary's	1/24/2023 9:50 PM

124	St. Mary's Beaverlodge was at BES	1/24/2023 9:14 PM
125	St Marys	1/24/2023 9:01 PM
126	All of them	1/24/2023 8:50 PM
127	WES	1/24/2023 8:36 PM
128	Grandchildren in BES	1/24/2023 8:30 PM
129	Both Hythe and Beaverlodge Elementary	1/24/2023 8:30 PM
130	Attended 2 if the schools and have students and staff at all	1/24/2023 8:21 PM
131	My kids have attended all three schools	1/24/2023 8:13 PM
132	My child will be attending Kindergarten in the Fall of 2024	1/24/2023 7:51 PM
133	I have a child in each school, I sub at BES and hythe	1/24/2023 7:19 PM
134	BES and HRS	1/24/2023 6:47 PM
135	None	1/24/2023 6:20 PM
136	I have Children in both Hythe JR High and the Beaverlodge High School.	1/24/2023 6:19 PM
137	Prior student of how the school system is	1/24/2023 6:04 PM
138	No children in school at this time	1/24/2023 6:02 PM
139	Community	1/24/2023 4:48 PM
140	St. Mary's	1/24/2023 4:21 PM
141	I have 1 kid in Hythe jr high and another in BHS	1/24/2023 3:37 PM
142	BES & HRS	1/24/2023 2:52 PM
143	All three schools in the community of Beaverlodge.	1/24/2023 1:02 PM
144	Both bes and brhs	1/24/2023 12:59 PM
145	I have had 3 children all go through all 3 and now I have 2 in Valhalla Community School	1/24/2023 12:50 PM
146	All three	1/24/2023 12:46 PM
147	I have students in BES and HRS	1/24/2023 10:49 AM
148	Both BES and HRS	1/24/2023 9:58 AM
149	community	1/20/2023 3:54 PM

## What community do you most associate with?



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Beaverlodge	79.47%	476
Hythe	14.36%	86
Horse Lake First Nation	0.17%	1
Other (please specify)	6.01%	36
TOTAL		599

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Wembley	2/17/2023 4:35 PM
2	both Hythe & Beaverlodge	2/16/2023 11:37 AM
3	Valhalla	2/16/2023 10:49 AM
4	Beaverlodge and Hythe equally	2/16/2023 10:41 AM
5	Kelly Lake BC	2/16/2023 10:24 AM
6	The entire community of the west county	2/16/2023 10:15 AM
7	Both Beaverlodge and Hythe	2/15/2023 7:08 PM
8	why does this matter	2/13/2023 5:56 PM
9	All communities	2/13/2023 10:37 AM
10	Goodfare	2/12/2023 8:05 PM
11	Both Beaverlodge and Hythe having grown up, had community and involvement and worked in both communities	2/10/2023 6:39 PM

12	Beaverlodge, Hythe & Horse Lake. They are one.	2/9/2023 12:55 PM
13	All of them	2/9/2023 4:37 AM
14	n/a	2/8/2023 2:09 PM
15	both	2/7/2023 1:18 PM
16	County GP	2/3/2023 11:13 AM
17	Both BL and Hythe	2/2/2023 11:52 AM
18	Both! Hythe and Beaverlodge work together and I associate with them equally	2/1/2023 4:37 PM
19	Both Hythe and Beaverlodge. We had lived outside of Hythe for 14 years and moved southwest of Beaverlodge in 2020, there are deep connections with both towns.	1/31/2023 2:36 PM
20	Grande Prairie currently, but Beaverlodge at the end of this school year!	1/30/2023 11:16 PM
21	BRSB, Hythe and Horseshoe	1/30/2023 5:57 PM
22	Valhalla	1/30/2023 4:05 PM
23	All	1/29/2023 3:55 PM
24	Not important	1/26/2023 7:56 PM
25	These areas make up one large community we are all a part of	1/26/2023 2:14 PM
26	Wembley	1/25/2023 6:02 PM
27	Hythe and Beaverlodge	1/25/2023 4:03 PM
28	Goodfare	1/25/2023 2:38 PM
29	Grande prairie	1/25/2023 7:10 AM
30	Does it matter?	1/25/2023 12:16 AM
31	Both Hythe and Beaverlodge. I have kids in extracurricular in both communities	1/24/2023 8:30 PM
32	Beaverlodge and hythe	1/24/2023 8:21 PM
33	I associate with all the above options. There has not been an instance where I haven't shared a life without all of these communities. (Hockey, school, baseball, swimming)	1/24/2023 5:39 PM
34	Both Beaverlodge and Hythe	1/24/2023 4:20 PM
35	We moved away to avoid bussing our kids down that highway	1/24/2023 3:41 PM
36	Community	1/20/2023 3:54 PM

## All Our Ideas

Using a crowd-sourcing survey tool called All Our Ideas, we brainstormed ideas for junior high programming together with the community and asked participants to share which ideas aligned most with them. 15178 votes were received on a wide range of submissions between January 24 and February 3, 2023.

**Thinking about junior high programming, which statement best aligns with you? Add your own idea here:**

---

Many parents at Sy Mary's support The move for another Junior High in the Beaverlodge Community.

---

The Junior High issue was brought to light 25 years ago already.. B'lodge can accommodate their own students.. now is the time for change!

---

Numbers don't lie. PWSD is losing its student to another School District - BECAUSE THERE IS NO PUBLIC JUNIOR HIGH OPTION IN BEAVERLODGE!

---

Healthy interactions between Beaverlodge K to 8 and St Mary's will make for a vibrant, active and interesting community.

---

St.Mary offers the ONLY Junior High education in Beaverlodge. That is why families are leaving BES. PWSD needs to offer an option for us!

---

50 years ago things were different. 25 years ago PWPSD tried to change things up. You need to change with the times. BES K-8 BRHS 9-12

---

BEAVERLODGE HAS ROOM TO EDUCATE THEIR OWN CHILDREN. WHY ARE WE SENDING THEM OUT OF TOWN?

---

Some teachers and parents from St Mary's School support a public school in Beaverlodge. They want their nice little school back.

---

Beaverlodge Hospital, police, ambulance, are resources the I want near by for my child throughout their school years. Keep our kids home

---

UNNECESSARY BUSSING TO ANOTHER COMMUNITY IS DANGEROUS AND COSTLY. KEEP KIDS IN THEIR HOMETOWN. STABILITY IS IMPORTANT!

---

Busing students down a busy two lane high way does not make sense when there is room in the school in Beaverlodge

---

Busing three bus loads of students down a busy high way twice daily, when there is room in the community's schools, does not make sense.

---

BES teachers are amazing and have always created a flourishing school environment for my children. I would love to keep them at BES

---

Beaverlodge deserves a Junior High the same as Elmworth, La Glacé, Hythe, Wembley, And every other place in Peace Wapiti.

---

The traffic on the single lane highway to Hythe is increasing each year, which makes me nervous to send my kids on the bus to/from Hythe.

---

100 students being moved to the Catholic system to avoid bussing speaks volumes about what is wanted by Beaverlodge citizens

---

Beaverlodge is the largest community west of GP. We should be able to educate our children in our community. They are OUR children.

---

I have many friends who have moved their children to St Mary school simply to avoid bussing.

---

SCENARIO 2: BES K-8 and BRHS 9-12, HRS remains K-9

---

Beaverlodge should have their Junior High students in their own community just like Elmworth,Hythe,Wembley, La Glacé and Sexsmith.

---



---

Peace Wapiti needs to make a change. We are losing students at BES! Which means eventually numbers will decline at HRS. It's time for action

---

Peace Wapiti, this is a business decision. Offer junior high in Beaverlodge to stay competitive

---

St.Mary's has added 4 portables since 2016 when it was built. Most of those student were at one time at PWSD. We need to OFFER Junior High.

---

It is not fair for Beaverlodge Students to transfer to Hythe for Grades 7-9 when we have the available infrastructure in Beaverlodge.

---

We Beaverlodge parents who were forced to another community for Junior High do not wish the same scenario for our children. Time for Change!

---

Parents are choosing St Mary's because they want their junior high kids to go there so all of the family must go.

---

Numbers don't lie, public school students are moving to the Catholic school system. It is time to make a change

---

Beaverlodge is a LARGER community and, in turn, should have a K-12 public education option.

---

Time is valuable and I would rather see my child spending more time being educated and less time on a bus.

---

Continuing junior high education in Beaverlodge allows students to maintain relationships and connectedness with their community

---

This is not about Hythe vs Blodge. It's about PWPSD being competitive in attracting and retaining students. 100 have already left

---

Research shows that fewer school transitions is directly correlated to higher academic success and better mental health.

---

The extra busing for Beaverlodge students is exhausting. Keeping Beaverlodge students home will allow ALL students less time on the bus.

---

Creation of a junior high program in Beaverlodge allows students to benefit from increased family time and removes them from dangerous roads

---

There is 1 regional junior high in all of PWSD, obviously it is not a optimal option. Educated young children in their home community.

---

The People that are voting for Junior High in Beaverlodge are made up of more than two generations of former students. Please listen.

---

PWSD needs to be competitive in attracting and retaining its students by offering a junior high option in Beaverlodge.

---

There is diversity and different Cultures in EVERY school. It is NOT necessary or SAFE to travel to another community for these experiences.

---

Research shows less school transitions for students has a positive impact on graduation rates and achievement.

---

The formative years of 12 to 15 should be spent in a persons home community. It takes a village to raise a child.

---

The costs of busing alone is a good reason to keep my child in my community. Put that funding into their education.

---

My child leaving the community for junior high doesn't benefit them, it benefits the junior high.

---

---

Hythe should keep their students and Beaverlodge should keep theirs. That's fair.

---

I'm tired of Beaverlodge children being used to populate a school in Hythe. Let us keep our children home. We are the majority.

---

Beaverlodge junior high students are at a disadvantage in Hythe 7-9 . Hythe students already have a familiar established environment K-9.

---

BES K-8 and BRHS 9-12 offers job opportunities for Beaverlodge and surrounding communities.

---

HRS K-9. BES K-8. BRHS 9-12.

---

Bus is Long and UNSAFE TRAVEL ON A SINGLE LANE ALASKA HIGHWAY!!!!

---

Beaverlodge students have a right to stay in their home community for Junior High.

---

Beaverlodge is a vibrant town full of thriving businesses and community events. I want my child to be part of this community for Jr High.

---

Peace Wapiti needs to offer junior high education in Beaverlodge to stay competitive with the Catholic school system

---

I have witnessed no added benefits to our children being bussed to Hythe. Keep them at home

---

There is a negative impact on kids, being torn away from their hometown at a young & influential age. It's stressful to transition in Gr.7

---

Why is Hythe Junior High the only 7-9 REGIONAL school within the entire PWSO? Because its not the OPTIMAL option for students.

---

Beaverlodge is a vibrant community full of thriving businesses and community events. I want my kids to be part of this community for Jr High

---

A Junior high in Beaverlodge would allow the students to interact with family, seniors that they know and younger and older siblings

---

Sadly, Beaverlodge families are increasingly choosing the Catholic School over BES because of their Junior High option in Beaverlodge.

---

My child having the stability of their school and community from K to Grade 8 better prepared them for their transition to high school.

---

This is NOT about Hythe vs. Beaverlodge. This is ONLY about the students and giving current BES students the best possible education!

---

"Friendship"scenarios should not dictate my child's education.It's unreasonable to think this is not possible by educating in your community

---

Majority of the High Schools in Grande Prairie are Grades 9-12, so it is not unheard of to propose the scenario of a Grade 9-12 High School.

---

RAPID DECLINING ENROLLMENT = EVENTUALLY NO BES OR HRS SCHOOLS.

---

Hythe should continue to educate their students. Beaverlodge has room to educate their students and should.

---

Beaverlodge's population alone should be able to offer public K-12 education being a large centre and has the infrastructure to do so.

---



---

Kids do not need a fresh start. They need continuity, programming and follow through in their own communities with their own teachers.

---

Spending and extra 40-60 mins on a bus on a dangerous highway helps no one.

---

It is not financially responsible to bus children to Hythe nor is it safe

---

Hythe should keep their students and Beaverlodge should keep theirs. That's fair.

---

Busing 2/3 of junior high student population just doesn't make sense

---

HRS stays K-9 Beaverlodge has BES K-8 BRHS 9-12

---

Bussing the majority of a student population just does not make sense.

---

If we don't make a change to keep junior high at BES there will eventually be no public education in the town of Beaverlodge.

---

Beaverlodge Children are exhausted from having to ride the bus to another community daily. This needs to STOP.

---

It is detrimental to Beaverlodge students socially and emotionally having to transition to another community for education at a young age.

---

Hythe is Not the Larger School. You are Busing the majority of its Students from Beaverlodge to Hythe.

---

I think we need to stop thinking about the past. We need to think about what is best for our kids now and the future. Change is needed.

---

My children and myself have all attended Junior High in Hythe and I did not see more learning opportunities

---

The schools in Beaverlodge ALSO offer diversity

---

I feel like my kids at BES are currently at a disadvantage as there is not enough funding. Grade 5 students having 5 teachers is ridiculous

---

There are plenty of kids for extracurricular in Elmworth and LaGlance. Why would it be different in Hythe.

---

Grade 7 is way too young to transition to another community. Keep Beaverlodge children in their hometown, with family support close by.

---

Children leaving grade 6 with special needs and programs can better have their needs met in their home community of Beaverlodge.

---

Funding has already been impacted with the decline in BES students. Peace Wapiti needs to do all that they can to attract and retain students

---

Research over the past 4 decades has found that school transitions have a negative impact on student success.

---

The loss of students to the St Mary's school has directly affected classes at Beaverlodge Elementary School and possibly Hythe School as well

---

HRS is no longer a junior high, it is a K-9 school. Doesn't make sense to bus student to another elementary school

---

Tired children from busing back and forth to Hythe for Junior High daily is detrimental to their education.

---

KEEP BEAVERLODGE STUDENTS IN THEIR COMMUNITY.

---

---

Loss of teachers is making for ridiculous classes with grade fives having more than 5 teachers. It is time to think of the kids

---

The communities need to work towards supporting and promoting all PW schools over negatizing. Maybe less would switch to Catholic.

---

Keep student and families together in their community.

---

Reduce the stagnant, unteachable time that students are on the bus by eliminating that transfer to an outside community.

---

My child is exhausted from riding the bus daily for 3+hr to Junior High. When we only live 5 min from Beaverlodge. Let alone the danger!

---

Beaverlodge students have a disadvantage transferring to HYTHE for junior H. Hythe children get to keep an established school environment.

---

There can be opportunities for rich electives in Beaverlodge

---

Think about what is best for Peace Wapiti. Losing students all together or educating students in their home community.

---

Beaverlodge area families are tired of the travel to another community for their children for sports, appointments etc.

---

Studies show that being able to participating in community programs result in higher grades and overall mental health and wellness.

---

Educating students in their home community would allow them to attend community functions such as art walks, Olympian parades, etc.

---

Age 12 BES students are moved to a New School, a New Community, Experience Broken Connections and are placed in Unfamiliar Surroundings. :(

---

Keeping Junior High Students in Beaverlodge allows them to have higher levels of Programming and Teachers.

---

Beaverlodge students need to be able to create and experience our active fine arts community.

---

Beaverlodge students deserve to continue their education in the community in which they reside.

---

Busing Beaverlodge junior high students to a K-9 school doesn't make sense. Hythe is no longer a regional junior high.

---

Educating junior high students in their home community would allow for shorter bus ride times for all grade levels of students

---

Beaverlodge can offer an excellent fine arts program with music and art and access to the Beaverlodge Cultural Centre.

---

Continuing down the path we are on, there will not be students to teach at BES & HRS. Stay competitive with offering jr high in Blodge

---

Educate students in their Home Community. It is the key to success

---

Junior High programming in Beaverlodge would provide my child with learning opportunities in their home community

---

---

By students staying in the Beaverlodge community, they will have easier access to extracurricular activities

---

JR High kids get 1- 20min break every day. Sure they get diverse classes but at what cost? Mental health matters. Something has to change

---

Most provinces across Canada have schools K-8 and 9-12.

---

CSW S ARE NOT THE PRIORITY. The children learning in their home community is important.

---

Too much busing for our children. Keep them in their hometown safe.

---

There is no bussing of Junior High students in any Peace Wapiti School. Why are we then bussing Beaverlodge students?

---

We are already losing students, funding and teachers. Change needs to happen or this will continue.

---

Hythe parents are allowed to keep their children in their community. Beaverlodge parents should have the same right.

---

Transitioning schools and travelling to another community daily at the age of 11/12 is traumatic for students and their well-being.

---

There is a huge diversity for learning experiences in the town of Beaverlodge.

---

Every school is diverse, no need to go to another town for those experiences.

---

Put the kids first and let them experience the activities and connections in their own communities.

---

Students in Hythe don't get a fresh start and students from Beaverlodge don't need a fresh start.

---

Beaverlodge students have a disadvantage transferring to HYTHE for junior H. Hythe children get to keep an established school environment.

---

Junior high students don't need extra programming or a fresh start. They need healthy connections and less transitions.

---

This is only about PWPSD keeping students. No action will result in continued declining numbers at BES & HRS

---

Longevity, success and participation is a reason for having a junior high in Beaverlodge

---

I don't believe that Elmworth would want their students bussed to Beaverlodge so why should Beaverlodge students be bussed to Hythe.

---

Beaverlodge Teachers are ALSO subject matter experts

---

The consistent existence of education within a community in which the majority resides is fundamental to student success and resources.

---

If St.Mary school wasn't at full capacity. More PWSD student would jump ship to stay in their home community for Junior high.

---

My child attends HRS. They have not experienced any specialized programming. They have not left the school for any activities.

---

The people that are voting to leave it the same are made up of more than 2 generations of former students. Please listen!

---

Splitting grade levels into K-8 and 9-12 is very prevalent

---

---

JuniorHigh in Beaverlodge would allow students to curl,skate, swim,use thecross country ski, snow show, go skiing and participate in

---

Peace Wapiti would be able to offer electives at BES if we had the student numbers and therefore funding. Hythe is NOT larger.

---

Regional Junior High model is NOT working. Time for CHANGE!

---

The current decline in student population at BES has decreased funding and; therefore, the number of teachers

---

Beaverlodge students should get to experience Beaverlodge activities.

---

Keeping Beaverlodge Junior High Students at home allows them the same opportunities that St Mary's students are getting now.

---

Beaverlodge will build a charter school if PWSO cannot offer public education in their community. We have enough population to do so.

---

Grade 7 is too young to transition to another community.

---

Keeping students in Beaverlodge would allow them to take advantage of the town's ammenities (pool, curling rink, weight room, etc)

---

Students could get after school jobs, pick up siblings and participate in activities if they stayed at home.

---

Incorporating additional grades into Beaverlodge Elementary and Beaverlodge High School will allow teachers to become subject specialists

---

Transporting 14-18 yr olds to a regional school is different than transporting 11-14 yr olds. Keep the younger students in their community.

---

There are many schools in our province that are Grade 7 to 12 schools.

---

The students should be the number one priority not the teachers or the programs but community, family and kids.

---

Beaverlodge junior high students will still have access to CTS courses at the high school without the busing.

---

Keeping students in Beaverlodge would allow easier access to CTS courses that they currently take at Beaverlodge Regional High School

---

Transportation is a huge cost. Perhaps 2 small schools would be the answer.

---

My child doesn't want to go to a different community for school

---

There are more opportunities for electives in the larger community of Beaverlodge.

---

Students foster better relationships with their community when they attend community schooling.

---

Peace Wapiti should have already realized the Decline in their Beaverlodge Elementary School and made this change Years Ago.

---

There is diversity in Beaverlodge as well as Hythe

---

our children should have the same privileges in the public system as the separate school now enjoys

---

Peace Wapiti must realize that the people who want their children educated in their own community are the same people who attended HRJHS.

---

Special programming can and is ALSO offered in Beaverlodge.
Community enhancement would flourish and grow with our own active and bright students at home
More mentorship opportunities between junior high/highschool if students stay in Beaverlodge.
Having my child closer to home would allow more time for us as a family
Community environment is important for student learning and fostering relationships and behavior. Best to learn from community influencers.
Students do not need a fresh start. Special needs students must be programmed for in a continuous way.
My child wants to stay in our community for junior high
My child has complained about feeling rushed from when the bus gets to HRS to when the bus leaves. Lack of breaks is mentally draining
Gr.9 at BRHS allow higher level of sports and a semester system.
Friendships between students of different communities will be fostered through activities outside of the school (hockey, volleyball, etc)
Junior High students should get to experience their community the same
Having so many junior high teachers allows HRS to have very specialized instructors teaching content that they have a lot of expertise in.
Current Peace Wapiti Schools by Grade: (8) K-8'S, (4) K-12'S, (3) K-9'S, (2) K-6'S and (1) of each 10-12, 9-12, 7-12, 4-9, K-3. A Variety.
Current Peace Wapiti Schools by Grade:
open doors earlier is a huge factor
swimming pool can be accessed when JH classes come for options.
getting home too late is not a concern, busses arrive at same time as BES gets out
buses arrive at BLG when BES gets out... same same
our st marys school needs to stop hoarding all resources, and limited participation and dividing our kids
st marys opportunities are generated through community funding... while advertising as a community not just the school :(
Our programming drastically improves for special needs due to the flexibility with student numbers
No impact of extra curricular, if Elmworth and St. Marys can put forth strong sports, all schools can if they committ
Our succes of transitioning special ed students is excellent. Many of our special ed students do not want to leave HRS after attending there
it is interesting that St Marys can take who they choose and at a detriment, have classes housed in the library and foyer room- over cap
Perhaps Administration in BES is influencing student numbers.

---

Offering Junior High in Hythe allows for collaboration with a larger number of students, thus more programming and engagement

---

Beaverlodge deserves its own grade 7-9 Jr High (in its own building) as was promised years ago.

---

My child deserves to be educated in their own community.

---

This push is all about segregation

---

Why does Hythe want Beaverlodge kids So Bad?

---

The Way Hythe Residents and Teachers are reacting to this Makes me Never want my Child to go There. So Unfortunate.

---

Sadly , Hythe supporter's are Slandering Beaverlodge Families for Advocating for Themselves.

---

This is actually a Community of Beaverlodge concern. Not a Hythe concern.

---

BEAVERLODGE HAS ROOM TO EDUCATE THEIR OWN CHILDREN. WHY ARE WE SENDING THEM OUT OF TOWN.

---

In the 3 yrs my child went to HRS for jr high, they did not once go use local Hythe amenities, let alone go on a field trip!

---

Teachers, if the decline in student population continues, your job may be at risk. Offering jr high in Beaverlodge could save your job!

---

These are both the same option, do better

---

Two generations of former HRJHS want this to stay the same. Stop spreading misinformation.

---

The Beaverlodge population has decreased since 2016 which is why BES population has gone down. Do your research.

---

Everyone has to travel to outside communities for appts, or shopping. Don't make the highway such a terrible thing. School buses are safe!!!

---

If parents are tired of commuting to a different community for things, why bother going to GP three times a week for THEIR programs?

---

Maybe BES is losing students because it can't offer any extra curriculars. We do not need two Jr Highs. Let Hythe keep their programs

---

If Hythe loses their students, what will happen to the school? And community?

---

Bussing is an excuse. We should be focusing on the programs that Hythe offers that BES will never offer. Cooking, Cree, Computers etc.

---

This issue is pitting the communities against each other and has been for many years

---

If we have our GR.7&8 at BES it will springboard us to getting BES back on the CAPITAL PLAN for a new school. We need enrollment #'s up!

---

School transitions decrease student success. Hythe students are set up for success. Beaverlodge students deserve the same.

---

Beaverlodge students are able to experience different culture and communities right in Beaverlodge

---

---

The Board can not make decisions that benefit Hythe students at the expense of Beaverlodge students.

---

Beaverlodge 7-9 students feel like outsiders in HRS K-9, because they are! Its Hythe's environment with hythe students and teachers.

---

I am excited for the Junior High culture that BES would create for my children!!

---

In the end the school board is a business. If the students continue to move to the Catholic school board, they will no longer be in business

---

BES teachers are amazing and have always created a flourishing school environment for my children. I would love to keep them at BES

---

Hythe K-9 without the BES students would not be "destroyed" it would carry on with numbers similar to other County Schools like it. Just Fine

---

Bussing so many children out of a community for school when there is room in the existing community school is Blasphemy.

---

Hythe Residents/Teachers aren't getting the Point and their Ignorance shouldn't affect My Children's Well Being/Education in Beaverlodge.

---

In 2021, 9500+ vehicles were on HWY 43 daily. Why put Beaverlodge students in danger, If the town has space to educate without the busing?

---

Could the superintendent ask former BES moms why they left BES? Way more reasons than just buses to Hythe

---

Numbers don't lie. BES has lost kids, NOT HRS. Fix the BES problem before dismantling a well-rounded school like HRS 7-9

---

Please do not criticize BES. it is a wonderful school. Please get your facts straight before you criticize

---

100 students have left BES, HRS population has remained stable(3 or more classes per grade) BES should improve their school not decimate HRS

---

Next to no crossover exists between HRS K-6 & 7-9. BES students are NOT at a disadvantage entering junior high- all are cared for & respected

---

BES assigning 5 teachers to share one elementary class is their own fault, other options existed that the principle bypassed.

---

If BES doesn't have special swimming programs for special needs kids now, how does that change with adding Junior highs?

---

BES won't open their doors 10 minutes earlier to increase safety or support families, how will adding teenagers there help?

---

BES offers no extra-curriculars now, why would anyone expect that to change by adding MORE students?

---

HRS numbers are or declining. Students are finding their way back after leaving BES

---

Recent snowfall warnings are an excellent reminder that bussing students is a dangerous unwarranted act

---

LOOK AT THE BIGGER PICTURE. THIS IS NOT ABOUT HRS AND BES INDIVIDUALLY, THIS IS ABOUT WHAT IS BEST FOR PWPSD. NO STUDENTS=NO SCHOOLS

---

---

Hythe Jr high kids lose out on nutrition/bathroom break time to account for the loss of teaching time from being transferred.

---

I am curious as to who is picking the questions as they appear to be very biased towards BES K-8. With limited academic reasoning.

---

Where has the adult democratic discussion gone? All ideas from both sides are gone?

---

I am curious as to who made these questions; many appear to be based on conveniences, few appear to be based on what is academically best.

---

Dialogue Partners, Why are there only 24 Ideas Now?

---

Dialogue Partners: Why is there Only 24 Ideas Now.

---

There is access to mental health counselling in Beaverlodge which would meet vulnerable students mental health needs at home.

---

There is access to.

---

This is a racial issue, it has nothing to do with transportation, enrolment or keeping kids in their community.

---

These both support blodge.

---

BES has an admirable fine arts program. Students could continue to benefit from this program if they could continue their education at BES

---

Transitioning to Hythe for Junior High is too young.

---

I sure hope that those worried about the dangers of bussing to Hythe are getting rid of other dangerous vehicles like ATVs, snowmobiles, etc

---

Adding grade 9 to the high school will give more opportunities for more players and opens junior and senior opportunities

---

Let our kids have the same privileged

---

This is about the Beaverlodge vs. Hythe "feud" and not about what is best for the students.

---

Waiting for the admin to post unbiased ideas in this vote.

---

Being exposed to a diverse student populations wh

---

My children would develop friendships through extra curriculums that they could have access to if they didn't ride the bus 3 hours a day

---

Please explain why a board full of members that don't represent the Beaverlodge Community are making the decision for our children's future?

---

Peace Wapiti is obviously against putting forth any Effort in Benefitting the Beaverlodge Students.

---

Wow, is this Survey ever Skewed in favor of Hythe Regional.

---

One Option Here is a Duplicate from Previous Selection.

---

Having a junior high in each town would allow for more opportunity for students to play on a sports teams.

---

Keep schools the same as is now!

---



---

I live in Hythe and do not care for the regional school set up. I would like to see Hythe and Beaverlodge each have their own junior high.

---

Separating the students means less students, which means less specialized opportunities due to less teachers.

---

Dividing the schools will result in the less funding and the loss of important programming for our students.

---

There is little or no continuity from Beaverlodge to Hythe for students with special needs and IEPs. These students do not need a fresh sta

---

My child loved meeting new people in grade 7 and has so many more meaningful friendships than they did in elementary.

---

More students in a K to 8 allows for more teachers, more opportunities and a better learning experience

---

Junior High Students would be able to get their swimming lessons and even go farther to get lifesaving and lifeguard courses during the day

---

BRHS has a lot to offer grade 9. Sports and programming.

---

This is not the same scenario as it was 15 or 50 years ago. Peace Wapiti needs to get with the times

---

Students of all ages with special physical needs are able to access and utilize the Beaverlodge pool for special programming.

---

I/my child get(s) home too late to do any extracurricular activities

---

Beaverlodge children have the opportunity to use Beaverlodge amenities (pool, arena, etc) after school. Keep it the way it is now.

---

This debate being brought up again after a new school has already been built is selfish and does not make sense.

---

Being exposed to a diverse student population with students from different cultural backgrounds benefits all students.

---

My child enjoys socializing with kids from other communities rather than staying with the same students for 9 years.

---

I'm from Hythe and I wouldn't choose to Bus my Kids to Beaverlodge for Education.

---

There are too many transitions for me/my child

---

Higher student populations for jr high allows for stronger programming, which we see at HRS.

---

St. Mary 7-9 students get to go to Toronto, skiing in jasper and camping trips. Beaverlodge public deserves these experiences as well.

---

Combining junior high students from HRS and BES provides increased quality of education, options for sports and social connections.

---

Kids gain experience through EXPOSURE. Keeping them with the same kids in the same school doesn't do them justice

---

I am concerned about the lack of opportunities my child will have staying at BES. Nothing extra is offered.

---

Students gain important social connections when they attend a regional school.

---

Move the HRS portables to Beaverlodge. Problem solved.

---

---

Some parents do not drive. These kids would not be able to participate in after school activities in Hythe as they have no way to get home.

---

Grade 7's are not mature enough to transition to a Regional Junior High in another community.

---

The level of education, diversity, and educational opportunities should be the priority.

---

More time with Family is Wonderful but is Not the Basis of the BES Council Proposal. Parents of Beaverlodge are choosing the Local Catholic.

---

HRS does just fine K-6. Why do they need our Beaverlodge students for 7-9? We need to educate in our own hometown.

---

More programming opportunities is what gives students a quality education.

---

There is little or no continuity for students with special needs or IEPs. They do not need a fresh start but need follow th

---

2 Programs which we could also offer at BES if we had the students and the funding. The local Beaverlodge Catholic School also offers Cree.

---

Access to dance is available for Junior High School students in Beaverlodge.

---

My child wants to meet more friends when they reach grade 7. Leave it the way it is.

---

School culture for 7-9 students at HRS provides them with opportunities to socialize and mature before high school.

---

Absolutely inappropriate to mix grade 8/9 students with high school students.

---

My kid loves meeting new kids in Hythe for Gr. 7. He was bullied every year until he made new friends.

---

As a former HRJHS student, I am just pointing out that there are many of us in favour of keeping HRS the same.

---

More Students would mean longevity and success of our school like any other school strives for!!!!

---

I live in Beaverlodge and my kids loved having the Regional school for all students. Keep it a regional school

---

A larger jr high provides more learning opportunities for students.

---

It is so amazing to see that kid who had few friends in elementary meet NEW people in grade 7 that they can connect with.

---

It takes a long time for me/my child to get home after school

---

The bus takes too long to get to school

---

Being concerned about busing down the "busy" highway is inconsiderate considering that Hythe buses to BRHS in high school.

---

The extra finances that are needed to bus students to Hutterian should be a major factor and concern to tax payers and PWSD

---

Junior High students with special needs are able to access the pool in.

---

I worry that grade 9s are not mature enough to attend BRHS.

---

Splitting the jr high students up will negatively impact the competitiveness of extracurricular sports

---

---

Keeping students at BES does not mean that they will have the same opportunities as St Mary. It has different teachers, admin and priorities

---

BES students can meet regional students in HIGH SCHOOL like every other surrounding community. Beaverlodge is the HUB.

---

Both Statements here are aligning with Continuing to Bus the children to Hythe. Families of Beaverlodge just aren't choosing this option.

---

The change should not happen. This would split resources and children too thin, causing more teacher and resource shortfalls.

---

Taking kids away from HRS will limit the options and extra curricular chooses for all the students.

---

Beaverlodge parents are choosing St. Mary's over BES due to BES.

---

Separating the children out of HRS would lead to a shortage of kids for extra-curricular activities.

---

Not having a public option is not the reason BES is losing all of their students. Many families choose Catholic because they open sooner

---

A regional high school helps friendships made in junior high carry on into high school

---

Junior High programming in Hythe would provide my child with additional learning opportunities along with more children in the region.

---

Hythe has a fully functional school, great as it is. Two close communities do NOT both NEED one.

---

Busing is an excuse. Lots of Jr H kids can still make hockey practices as they're in the evening.....

---

Traffic is safe

---

K&E programs at HRS provide make it easier for all students to succeed. K&E students come from both towns, separating kids means no more K&E

---

PWPSD offers incredible mental health supports for all students in both BES & HRS, no increased support at BES over HRS

---

I don't want my 13yr old daughter/9th grader at BRHS with 17-18yr old boys. Keep it the same with their own ages.

---

The bus ride to HRS is much shorter than the majority of city schools bussing.

---

Adding grade 9 to the high school

---

Why are we trying to destroy a thriving school in hopes of reviving another. KEEP IT THE SAME.

---

Keeping junior high students coming to Hythe allows them to have higher levels of programming and teachers

---

This issue has been looked at over and over again. It's time for Beaverlodge and Hythe to come together and complement each other.

---

Meeting new kids in Jr High allows new friendships, growth, and experience while preparing for High School.

---

Diversity and exposure to all cultures is important. Segregation is the last thing that should be happening.

---

It is not a good idea to add jr high to the high school, they want to grow up too soon and participate in risky behaviours

---

Keep all students together
HRS is a county school. Many Beaverlodge students reside in the county. By attending HRS, they will be in their community.
Having students remain in Beaverlodge for Jr High will not allow my child to be prepared for high school.
Knowledge and Employability classes would not exist for grades 8 & 9 if they were in Beaverlodge because class sizes would be too small.
If bussing is the big concern than each town should have their own K-12
My child from Beaverlodge loves HRS!!
Hythe is already a new building and offers so many opportunities. There is no need for two jr high schools so close together.
I would like to see Peace Wapiti elaborate on these wonderful learning opportunities offered at Hythe Regional
As a parent of a child in St. Mary, it was not about Jr High in Hythe. St. Mary welcomed my children in the am while BES locked them out
Smaller communities that are close in proximity can achieve a lot by working together having common goals for the betterment of the children
BES not having JH is not the reason they are losing kids to St. Mary.
A regional junior high school fosters more understanding of diversity in our communities
Lots of students are bussed to and from Beaverlodge and surrounding communities, not just from Beaverlodge
Keep it as it is. My children love attending Hythe and have fostered many positive relationships.
St. Mary's is a better school than BES. They are doing more for their students than BES does. It has nothing to do with Jr. High in HRS.
Having my child with more students in jr high gives them an opportunity to make new friends
My child will only be socialized with the same kids throughout school until high school if they attend Jr High in Beaverlodge.
Junior High programming in Hythe provides my child a variety of learning opportunities
Students currently can get jobs, pick up siblings, etc. as the elementary school is let out as the HRS students arrive in town
Keep it the way it is now
I have had nothing but a great experience for my kids at HRS. The teachers care, they try, they are good at what the do. Don't change it.
Larger junior high school student numbers allows for teachers to be subject specialists
When I went to Junior High in Hythe many of my friends were cut from volleyball and basketball teams.
Keeping our children in Beaverlodge for all of their lives would not help prepare them for life after high school.
Keep BES as K-6 and Hythe K-9.

Larger junior high school numbers allow for more extra-curricular activities
6-7 busses travel to BRHS as it is proven that regional schools allow for more academic choices for all students. This is same at jr high.
If BES has lost 100 kids, they should look for ways to make their own school more attractive to families(intramurals, open their doors, etc)
With the schools dividing, there may not be enough interest in extracurricular sports to run a program.
Keeping things as they are supports all three area public schools. It supports both communities. Shouldn't we work together?
City kids in GP ride the bus longer to get to school than kids riding from Beaverlodge to Hythe. ITS NOT A BIG DEAL.
Transitioning to junior high in Hythe offers students a fresh start
My child enjoys making new friends from different communities
Grade 9 students shouldn't go to school with grade 12 students. They are not socially or emotionally mature enough and are easily influenced
If BES has lost 100 students, maybe they should wonder what St Mary's offers that they don't(intramurals, open doors earlier, etc)
A regional jr high, wherever it is, is the best option
Beaverlodge students can still take advantage of the town's amenities after school and get to enjoy the amenities of Hythe while at school.
Hythe's enrolment has continued to trend upwards regardless of the decline at BES. Families are still choosing HRS.
Are parents choosing St Mary's over HRS or over BES is the question. If the latter is true, having them keep 7-8 kids isn't the solution
There are numerous electives at Hythe Regional School [Cooking in Cree, Knowledge and Employability]
Putting 8th & 9th graders in a high school will lead to pressured relationships. Between 13 year olds and 18 year olds.
HRS K-9, BES K-6, BRHS 10-12
Transitioning to a larger junior high school in Hythe better prepares my child for transition to High School
The HRS Cree program is the is the ONLY Cree program offered in all of PWSD and GPPSD combined. The local School offers a word of the week.
Being part of a new community for three formative years fosters independence, and the child gains new experiences.
I don't want my child staying in the old BES building any longer than they have to. I can't wait for them to experience HRS.
There is only one girls bball team at HRS. Female sports will become non-existent along with other opportunities with lack of students.

---

Beaverlodge has the regional high school. Why is it fair for them to have junior high as well?

---

Bussing is an excuse.... unsafe highways are an excuse. People drive that highway all the time for less important reasons than school.

---

There is no room for growth in Beaverlodge. Maybe parents are sending kids to st Mary's because they prefer the religious teaching.

---

Maybe Beaverlodge should bus their kids to Elmworth. It could be a regional school and that hi-way is safer and less busy.

---

Could the superintendent ask former BES moms why they left BES? Way more reasons than just buses to Hythe

---

People who say new friendships, and mental health, don't matter in jr high, don't understand this dynamic and their needs

---

HRS offers daily hot lunch program, as a working mom, this can be a lifesaver so we can prioritize extra-curriculars in the evening.

---

BES currently does not provide extracurricular opportunities- there is not guarantee this will change if the 7s and 8s go there.

---

junior high in Hythe is optimal for the students, just as it is optimal for the highschool to be regional.

---

Beaverlodge will lose their CSW days with this change! It is not worth it to make this change, once you consider this.

---

My child/ I sometimes miss morning classes because the bus is delayed

---

HRS would happily participate in community events in both Hythe and Beaverlodge such as the Art Walk. There just needs to be an invite.

---

Combing all students allows for competitive sports teams, elective classes. Separation will dissolve many options.

---

They get healthy connections as it is. They already have easy access to CTS at the High School

---

My child switched to HRS and loves it.

---

Losing CSW days would work well for our family as both parents work.

---

Keep it the same!!

---

Beaverlodge is loosing students to other school because it's a news school not because of jr high going to Hythe.

---

HRS teachers are specialists in their fields because of the high jr high population that exists there.

---

This change would be devastating to HRS students.

---

PWSD has one of the safest transportation records and busing is not unsafe. This is not a factor.

---

Let our kids have the same privileged

---

Students can benefit from experiencing different cultures and communities, instead of remaining in their own "backyard" everyday

---

Build a Peace Wapiti public Beaverlodge Composite Jr high/SR high school 7-12

---

My child feels rushed and anxious in the morning at BES because they don't open the doors early enough.

---

---

Beaverlodge would lose CSW and I am not ok with that.

---

HRS K -9

---

People want to move kids to an old school with a small gym, hoping for a new school which is not in the capital plan. It could be 10+ years

---

People see HRS as a k-9, but it is a regional jr high and a separate k-6 that share a building. Keep it the way it is to cut down on costs

---

If it is safe to drive to GP for dance/hockey twice a week, what's the difference with busing between Hythe and Beaverlodge? Makes no sense.

---

Kids need teachers that can teach them new things in Jr H. New experiences. Teachers that haven't known them since they were in JK

---

We need specialized teachers for specialized classes. Do we want an English teacher to take over Gym? Or French? Or both?

---

Why is it okay for Beaverlodge kids to not bus anymore, but Hythe and surrounding areas are all expected to for High School?

---

Why is it okay for Beaverlodge kids to not be bused, but it's expected of Hythe kids for HS? Everyone will have to bus at some point.

---

Add K-12 to Hythe as well as K-12 in Beaverlodge

---

The education is lacking in Blodge right now BES is losing teachers/funding and 33 kids per class at St Mary's is ridiculous. CHANGE IT!

---

Traffic is as safe as it is on any highway

---

BES will lose CSW days, HRS will keep them. Those are valuable to my family for camping, sports and family trips.

---

Beaverlodge grade 7-8 kids are back from HRS to BES shortly after 3:30. There is zero effect on after-school jobs or extracurriculars.

---

My child wants to go to school in another community to make new friends and new teachers

---

The populations of Hythe and Beaverlodge are both shrinking. It doesn't make sense to spend money on a new school and split current classes.

---

Both communities bus their kids depending on grades. Jr High to Hythe. Senior High to Beaverlodge.

---

Students are bused from both communities each day. Should we then not have a Regional High School because of busing?

---

Both communities bus their kids back and forth depending on the age. Jr high goes to Hythe. Sr high goes to Beaverlodge. I

---

Pwpsd has one of the largest bussing areas in the province. It takes pride in its safe bussing system and we don't need to worry about this

---

HRS offers a fresh start to students that may be struggling with friendships or education.

---

Students need a fresh start with new teachers and new peers.

---

---

HRS Teachers traveling from communities east of Hythe shortens travel time and decreases road safety concerns.

---

HRS does a great job with fostering the transition for students in Gr. 7.

---

Let Hythe keep Regional Jr High and Beaverlodge keep their Regional High School. Everyone had something.

---

Using buses and extra curricular activities as an excuse doesn't make sense. Parents drive to GP all the time for activities.

---

I do not want my kids to exposed to the same students from JK to Gr. 9. Jr High teaches experience and gives independence

---

Buses will travel on the highway regardless to take gr 10-12 kids to BRHS, highway shouldn't be claimed as a factor.

---

It's hard for us to get to school in time for morning classes

---

HRS provides and fosters healthy relationships and connections for all students.

---

Keep things as they are.

---

I believe that Peace Wapiti just needs to up their game and funding. Hythe gives way better extra curricular things than beaverlodge

---

Some parents choose to live rurally. The Hythe school shouldn't be penalized for parents not liking the busing system.

---

A new 7-9 school should be built in Beaverlodge and then bus everyone to that school. Until then, keep it the way it is.

---

If the reduction of BES students reflective of HRS or BES itself? That should be addressed before changing the entire system.

---

A new school should be built in Albright, then maybe everyone will be happy.

---

6-7 busses travel to BRHS everyday because ia regional school provides for better academic choices to support all children. This

---

There may not be enough electives at Beaverlodge Elementary School for junior high

---

If parents are concerned about Beaverlodge kids busing to Hythe, what about Hythe kids being forced to bus as well?

---

A regional Jr High school allows students from different communities to build more diverse friendships during their formative years.

---

The regional

---

My child wants the schools to stay the same

---

We've chosen the Catholic option as this school more closely reflects our beliefs. It has nothing to do with bussing or Hythe.

---

If parents are worried about the dangers of bussing then they should also be advocating for no field trips or other bus related activities

---

Bringing Beaverlodge students allows for Hythe and Beaverlodge students to take advantage of the both communities' ammenities.

---



---

Spread the kids throughout different communities. Let them experience a bit of culture and grow experience.

---

My special needs child thrived once they transitioned to HRS.

---

Leaving students in Hythe will allow for bowling, skating, curling and time at the new spray park.

---

There are many bus issues, transportation to and from Hythe and Beaverlodge is not one of them. More bus drivers are needed.

---

Rename Hythe regional school to reflect a county school.

---

How about we leave what has worked for so many years alone! Hythe has amazing teachers and I'm pretty sure the Gr 7's can handle a bus ride!

---

The bus ride to Hythe is only 10 minutes, this is not a big deal

---

Both ideas are very supportive of Beaverlodge. There should have been an option about encouraging diversity through the mixing of cultures.

---

BES will lose their CSW days with the changes which would majorly affect family time.

---

If BES becomes a k-8 will they not lose CSWs

---

There isn't room for more students as our community grows

---