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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Sooke School District regularly reviews catchment areas in our District to ensure maximum efficiency of available school space. As a result of parental requests, the East Sooke area of the school district has recently been reviewed. Students in East Sooke currently reside within the Sooke/Milne's Landing family of schools and receive bus transportation to and from their schools in Sooke.

The district's Catchment Team has reviewed current data with our [Catchment Guiding Principles](#) in mind. The committee would like to receive comments from families that may be impacted by a catchment decision in East Sooke prior to making a final recommendation to the Board of Education. At present the committee is seeing several strong reasons to continue with the current catchment boundaries including, available school space, current enrolment patterns (approximately 70% of students attend schools in Sooke) and the availability of school change requests for those families wishing a different school.

School Change Requests provide opportunities for families to request a change to a school out of their catchment and are considered in accordance with the registration priorities. The students who request a school change and are accepted into their out of catchment school are responsible for their own transportation to and from school.

If families have made decisions to attend other schools through our SCR process, this does not jeopardize or impact your ability to continue in your current school.

Please send your comments to [catch62@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:catch62@sd62.bc.ca)

