



JUNIPER RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Caregivers:

We are writing this letter to provide you with information related to catchment area changes decided in June 2021 and July 2021 by School District No. 73 (Kamloops- Thompson) Board of Education. In the Regular Public Board Meeting on April 13, 2021, our district community learned about the need for the Board to consult about schools based on enrollment and capacity/utilization pressures.

One of those schools was Juniper Elementary, which was operating at 143% capacity utilization and has 4 portables currently. A catchment area change was required for the school to reduce enrolment pressure at Juniper Ridge Elementary by redirecting students from Juniper Ridge Elementary to be part of the re-opening of Ralph Bell Elementary School.

You are receiving this letter because your address falls within the [catchment area](#) that is to attend Ralph Bell Elementary School.

If your child is currently in grade 6 at Juniper Ridge Elementary, your child may remain at Juniper Ridge Elementary to complete their grade 7 year. In addition, if your child in grade six has younger siblings in Juniper Ridge Elementary, those younger siblings also have the option to stay at Juniper Ridge Elementary. Younger siblings are eligible to stay at Juniper Ridge Elementary until the end of grade 7. Please contact the school to inform the principal of whether your child(ren) will be staying at Juniper Ridge Elementary by **February 11**.

Should you wish your child(ren) to attend Ralph Bell Elementary, more details will come in the very near future to support you in transitioning your child successfully to Ralph Bell Elementary School. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in working with our school administration to assist you in transitioning your child to Ralph Bell Elementary School.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Wood, Principal