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# Shaping the Future of CBE High Schools

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## Scenarios available Feb. 23, 2021

We had indicated in November 2020 that we would be sharing the high school scenarios with you in January 2021. Other system priorities in January and early February require us to delay sharing high school scenarios until Feb. 23, 2021. We will still be able to communicate a decision by fall 2021 with this adjustment.

Scenario development was guided by your feedback from Fall 2019, the CBE values, planning principles, available space and resources and other factors.

The scenarios represent a responsible approach that anticipates limited space and resources into the future and allocates resources where they will have the most positive impact for students overall. You will be able to learn about the scenarios and share your feedback as follows:

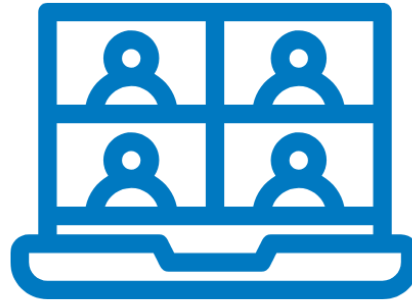
- **Feb. 23 – March 17:** scenario information publicly available on CBE website (interactive online presentation - StoryMap, video and downloadable and printable PDFs)
- **March 1-12:** four virtual sessions are held and online discussion forums are available for parents and the public
- **March 2-17:** online survey is open

Everything will be posted on our [High School Engagement](#) webpage and will be available to review at your convenience.

We are posting all of the information before active engagement begins so you have time to go through all of it before providing your feedback. When it's available, please take the time to take a look at all of the information before participating in the virtual sessions, online discussion forums and survey.

## Active engagement to gather your feedback

We will gather feedback on the scenarios in three ways. You can choose to participate in any or all of the opportunities. If you have time to participate in only one activity, please complete the online survey as the survey results will be the primary data we use to inform the proposed plan.



### Virtual Sessions March 2-12, 2021

We are holding four virtual sessions March 2-12, 2021. There will be one session for each school grouping. These sessions will be an opportunity for you to hear from subject matter experts and to have your questions about the scenarios answered. We will not be going through the scenarios in detail at these sessions, so please review the scenario information in advance of your session.

If you are planning to attend a virtual session, please attend the one that includes the school you're interested in. Links to sessions will be available closer to the meeting times.

- **March 2, 6-8 pm** | Central Memorial High School, Ernest Manning High School, Queen Elizabeth High School, Western Canada High School
- **March 4, 6-8 pm** | Bowness High School, John G. Diefenbaker High School, Robert Thirsk High School, Sir Winston Churchill High School, William Aberhart High School
- **March 8, 6-8 pm** | Crescent Heights High School, Forest Lawn High School, Jack James High School, James Fowler High School, Lester B. Pearson High School, Nelson Mandela High School
- **March 10, 6-8 pm** | Centennial High School, Dr. E.P. Scarlett High School, Henry Wise Wood High School, Joane Cardinal-Schubert High School, Lord Beaverbrook High School



## Online Discussion Forums March 1-12, 2021

We will offer some topic-specific online discussion forums during this same period of time to enable participants to share their thoughts with other participants and learn what others think about the scenarios. CBE staff will moderate the forums and will publicly respond to questions related to the scenarios.

Links to the online forums will be available from our [High School Engagement](#) webpage.



## Online Surveys March 2-17, 2021

Three surveys will be available March 2-17, 2021. There will be one for parents and the public, one for students and one for staff. Links to the parent and student surveys will be added to the Story Map and to the [High School Engagement](#) webpage. The staff survey will be available on the CBE staff intranet. Surveys will have three parts to gather feedback on:

- the scenarios overall
- changes to programs for those families with students enrolled or interested in the program
- changes at specific schools

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**Get involved! This is your opportunity to share your voice.**





Your feedback helped us develop the scenarios. Now we're asking for your feedback to help us decide how the scenarios will shape the proposed plan. We hope you will participate.

**Check this out!** Enjoy this short video available in [twelve languages](#) that explains how important your opinions are, and how much we value your participation. Spread the word!

**Thank you for staying involved. Your participation is important and valued.  
Together, we make better decisions for all our students.**

*This message has been sent to families of CBE students currently in Grades 6-10 and people who have subscribed to receive updates on high school engagement. If you know someone who would like to receive these emails but is not, please forward this email and encourage them to [subscribe](#) to receive future email updates.*

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