Size and Enrolment

Good evening. My name is Rachael Yerlitz and I'm a parent of two children who attend Alliance French Immersion Public School. If they continue in the French immersion program, both will attend Chippewa SS in 2021 and 2024 respectively. I'm speaking on behalf of myself and a group of concerned parents whose children currently attend school at either Alliance or Vincent Massey.

Issue

We have concerns related to the size and impact that the preferred option to amalgamate the 3 English Public High Schools will have on our children and our community.

PLAN: (Chippewa, Widdifield and West Ferris) into a single school located on the Chippewa SS property.

The Facts – Size of Proposed School re the province with over 2,000 students and they are all located in or around the area with a population of 6,417,516 (this number taken from the 2016 e of these 6 schools have grades 7 and 8 students, they are secondary schools

QUESTION #1: Why would the Near North District School Board propose that the largest super school in the province should be located in the city of North Bay, a city with a population of 54,000?

Proposed Alternative

The following is a proposed alternative to the preferred option presented in the Initial Staff Report.

A single new JK- Grade 6 school and two (2) Grade 7

while the other 43% of secondary students are spread between the three other sche boards