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Subject: Sir Arthur Currie concern

Morning,

I hope this email finds you are well! I am reaching out as an extremely concerned parent of a grade 2 student at Sir Arthur Currie elementary school. We moved into this neighbourhood when our daughter wasn't born as we heard extremely positive feedback about the staff at the school. We have been nothing but thrilled and impressed with the teachers, programming and administration at the school. Sue Bruyns and her team are the best in the business and should honestly receive medals for all that they do! The extra work and stress that have had to endure due to the overcrowding issue at the school is unbelievable and I have to say that they do it with smiles on their faces for the love of their students!

Safety is now an issue with the amount of portables on site to house the students and I know you are aware that the school was built for 500 students not 1000 students that are enrolled this year. Not to mention the extra traffic on the streets in the Foxfield community making even our morning/afternoon walks to and from school stressful as well. Students are forced to use portable outhouses in the parking lot of the school with an incident occurring this week of a poor child being locked in one of them and not being able to get the door open and was left until a concerned parent found her and called the custodial staff for assistance. How terrifying that must have been for her!

As a board member of the Parent Council at the school, I assure you that we have a team we brainstorm at our monthly meetings about how we can help Sue and her team ease the stress!

I urge you to PLEASE speed up the timeline for a second school to be built to help with these issues. Please include my email on the agenda for the meeting on Monday September 27, 2021.

Thanks in advance!

Traci Cummings