

# Stanley School – DEC Presentation

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## PROS

- Minor operational cost savings from staff reductions
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## CONS

- Loss of resources
- Capital cost to renovate/relocate office?
- Negative impact/perception of blending 5-18 yr old students
- K-12 is an overly broad range for teaching/administration
- Teachers already challenged to plan/teach variety of subjects and levels – increased staff turnover?

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## **POINTS TO CONSIDER**

- Why punish Stanley for physically connecting schools?
- How is Stanley different from other schools co-located in 1 building, or in close proximity?
- Stanley already realizes efficiencies in transportation, shared facilities (cafeteria, gymnasium, library)
- Potential growth from Sisson mine

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## POINTS TO CONSIDER

- Potential loss of students to Nashwaak Valley, Royal Road Elem due to parent concerns
- Look at other ways to minimize cost/student, maximize use of facility (& overcrowding at Devon, Leo Hayes)
  - Examine why students transfer out of zone, address issues identified
  - Examine zone boundary, particularly in rural area with existing dual bussing
  - Promote SHS/small school option to Nashwaak Valley students/parents in dual bussing area

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- The minimal benefits identified do not outweigh the costs and potential risks
- Other means of improving sustainability should be examined

Thank you