OPTION

GRAND TRUNK AMALGAMATION

ONE CAPITAL PROJECT FOR APPROVAL

1. Fully modernize the existing Grand Trunk High School (GTHS) for K to Grade 12 with a 500-student capacity. Consolidate all three schools into GTHS.



Building Design and Condition

- Building would remain the current size
- Classrooms, shops and home economics spaces will be maintained
- School will retain a large gym and theatre hall



Bussing

- Ride times not significantly different
- Increased bus revenue from increased students and no need to add buses
- Rural route pick up and drop would remain the same
- Buses would travel routes already reviewed for safety
- No additional cost to parents



Construction Phasing

- Construction at Grand Trunk High School only
- Easily phased because of available unused spaces
- The other two sites will not be amalgamated until the construction is completed
- Minimum disruption to student learning



Enrolment

- ??? Students K to Grade 12
- Might attract former GYPSD students back to the division
- May attract new students from outside of division



Impact on Community

- New building provides more community use opportunities
- Attraction to community by prospective parents/students
- Existing activity infrastructure includes hockey rink, golf course, public library, and recently built museum
- No school in Wildwood



Operations and Maintenance

• Maintenance on one site means costs will be lower than current



Partnerships

- No resizing will occur
- Extra space available for partnerships



Programming

- Increased programming options such as Farm School and Hockey Program
- More opportunities for extra-curricular activities
- Efficient use of staffing resources and support

