



Upper Grand District School Board

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Minto-Clifford Public School access through the former Harriston Senior school closed

GUELPH, Ontario -- The walkway through the site of the former Harriston Senior Public School site will be closed to students who use it to access Minto-Clifford Public School beginning in September.

Construction and grading of the site means it is not an appropriate location for students to access Minto-Clifford. Students are asked to walk along Arthur Street (Highway 89) to Laurence Avenue, and cross through the parking lot of St. Thomas Catholic Church to arrive at school. The Diocese has agreed to let the students use the parking lot.

Shelly Grose, the school's principal, has said that the school board will be installing a fence to prevent the students from entering the construction site.

"We care about the safety of our students, and while this will affect many of them, it's just not safe to have children crossing the construction site while work is ongoing.

The re-direction of students does not impact the calculation of walking distance to school and will not affect student's eligibility for transportation.

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