



FACTS & STATS

Our Community by the Numbers

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SCHOOL ENROLMENT

Introduction

“School Enrolment in West Vancouver” is part of a series of Facts and Stats reports on demographics and trends. Data is provided on public and independent (private) school enrolment in West Vancouver School District #45 which includes Bowen Island, Lions Bay and the Capilano 5 Reserve.

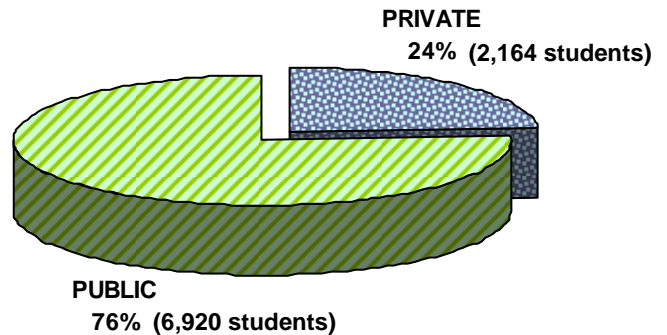
Enrolment includes students from kindergarten to grade 12. Provincial and regional data is provided for comparison in some instances. The primary data source is the Ministry of Education. Statistics Canada 2006 census data on school age population (age 5-19) for the municipality of West Vancouver (which does not include Bowen Island, Lions Bay and Capilano 5) is also provided for reference.

As illustrated in Chart #1, there are approximately 9,100 students enrolled in public and private schools in the West Vancouver School District (2009/10). Seventy-six percent or 6,920 students are enrolled in public schools and 24% or 2,164 students are enrolled in private schools.

As illustrated in Table #1, approximately half of public school students are in elementary grades (K-7) and half are in secondary grades (8-12). Private schools have a higher proportion of elementary school students at 61% of total enrolment, compared to 39% of private school students who are in secondary grades.

Overall, elementary school enrolment comprises 52% of total enrolment in the West Vancouver School District and secondary school enrolment comprises 48%.

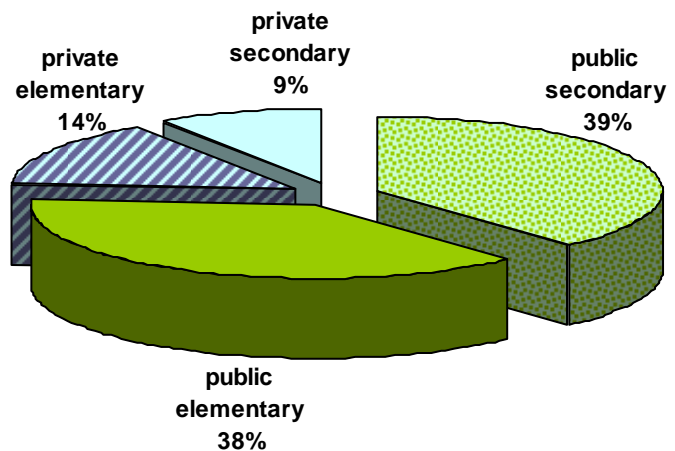
**Chart #1 - West Van School District #45
2009/2010 Enrolment**



**Table #1 - West Vancouver School District #45
2009/10 Public and Private School Enrolment**

Enrolment	Public School		Private School		Total SD #45	
ELEMENTARY	3,432	50%	1,316	61%	4,748	52%
SECONDARY	3,488	50%	848	39%	4,336	48%
Total	6,920	100%	2,164	100%	9,084	100%

**Chart #2 - West Van School District #45
2009/10 Elementary & Secondary Enrolment**



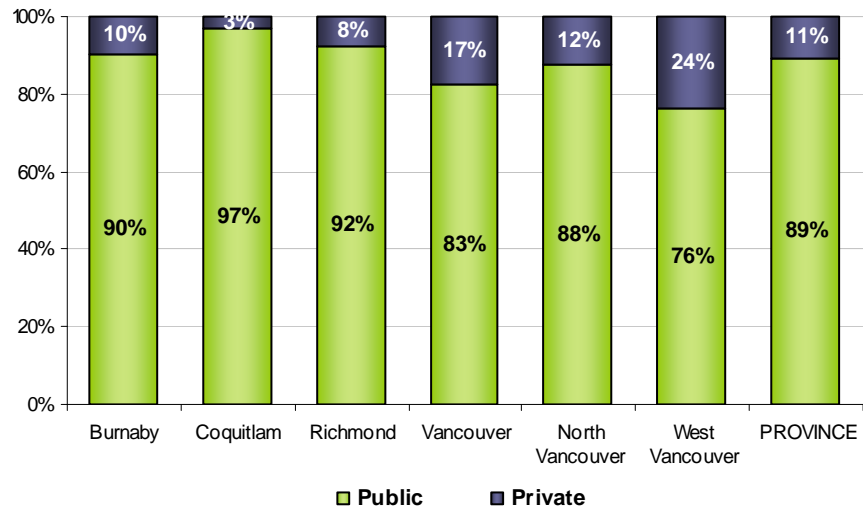
Note: Approximately 7% or 516 of West Vancouver public school students are fee paying international students.

Provincial & Regional Context

As illustrated in Chart #3, provincially, public school enrolment comprises 89% of all enrolment and private school enrolment comprises 11%. West Vancouver has one of the highest rates of private school enrolment in the region at 24% of total enrolment.

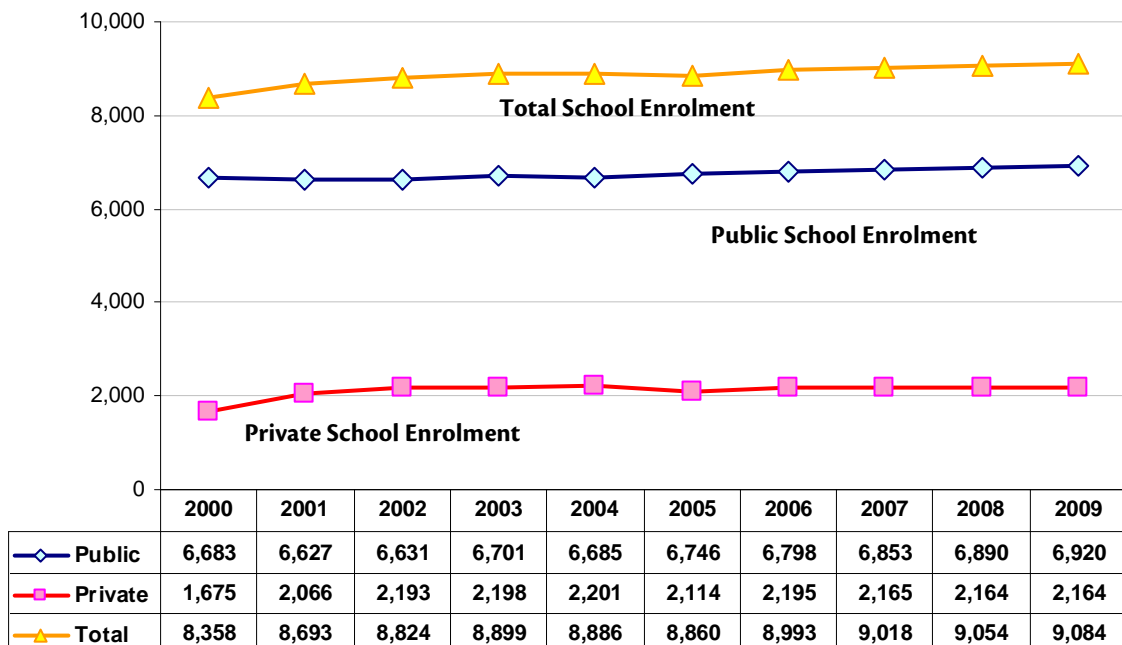
Provincial enrolment in public schools has been declining since 2005 by approximately 0.8% per year, while enrolment in private schools has been increasing by approximately 1.2% per year.

Chart #3 - Regional and Provincial Public & Private School Enrolment, 2009/2010



As illustrated in Chart #4, public school enrolment in West Vancouver has remained fairly constant over the past decade averaging around 6,750 students. Private school enrolment has increased at an average annual rate of .4% per year between 2000-2009, from 1,675 students representing 20% of total enrolment in 2000 to 2,164 students representing 24% of total enrolment in 2009. Total combined private and public school enrolment has increased from 8,358 students in 2000 to 9,084 in 2009 at an average annual rate of .9%.

Chart #4 - West Vancouver School District #45 Past & Present School Enrolment (2000/01—2009/10)



Past, Present & Future School Age Population

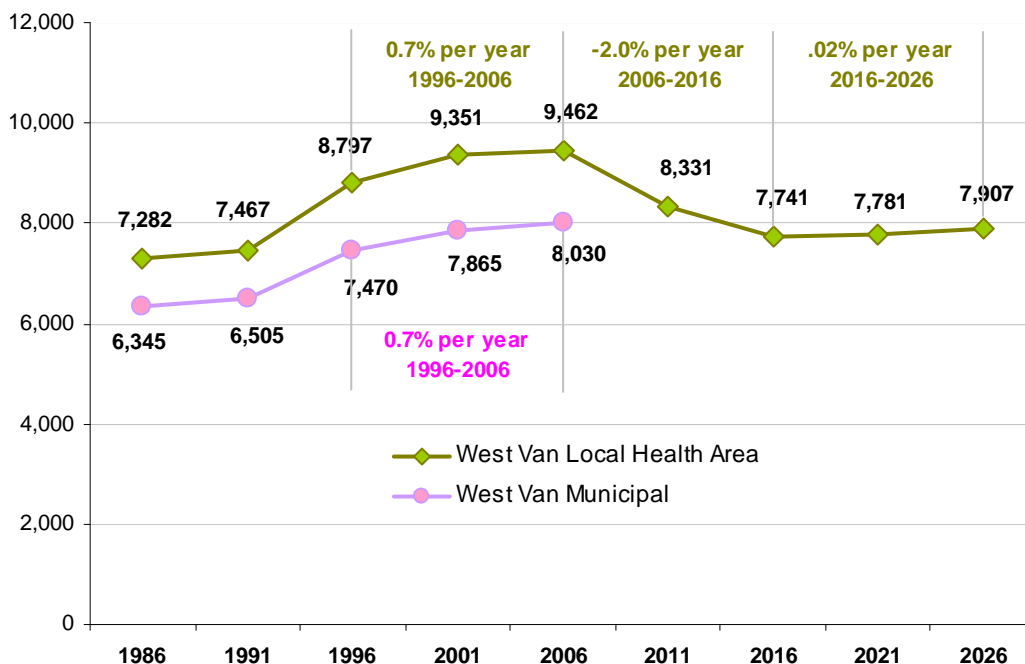
School age population includes children age 5-19. The municipality of West Vancouver has a total school age population of 8,030 (2006 Census). The West Vancouver Local Health Area has a total school age population of 9,462 (BC Stats PEOPLE 34 2006 estimate). Note: the West Vancouver Local Health Area includes Bowen Island, Lions Bay and Capilano 5 and has the same boundaries as the School District.

As illustrated in Chart #5, the school age population for the West Vancouver Municipality and the Local Health Area have followed similar growth patterns with the school age population increasing at the same average annual rate of 0.7% from 1996 to 2006.

As illustrated on the following page, the municipal increase was driven entirely by the older 10-19 age groups, rather than the younger 5-9 age group which actually declined during that period (see Chart #6 and Table #2 on the following page).

BC Stats projections indicate declines in the West Vancouver Local Health Area school age population between 2006-2016 from 9,462 children to 7,741 children at an average annual rate of -2.0%, followed by a slight increase to 7,907 children by 2,026 at an average annual rate of 0.2% between 2016-2026. This trend is related to an overall aging of the population with fewer young families in the community. Projections are not available at the municipal level.

Chart #5 - West Vancouver Municipal and Local Health Area School Age (5-19) Population (1986-2026)



Past, Present & Future School Age Population

Chart #6 - West Vancouver Municipal School Age Population (1996-2006)

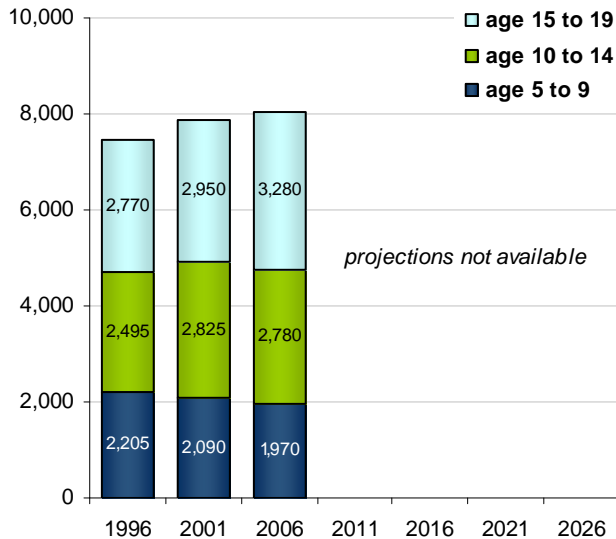


Chart #7 - West Vancouver Local Health Area School Age Population (1996-2026)

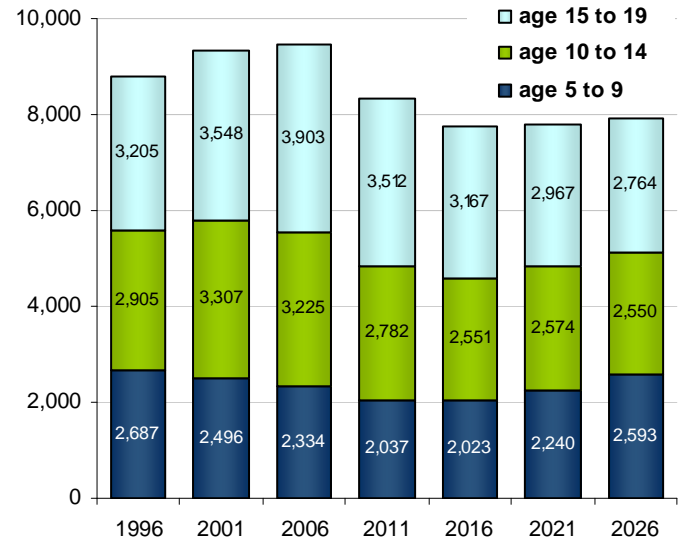


Table #2 - West Vancouver Municipal School Age Population (1996-2006)

West Van Municipality (Census)	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016	2021	2026
TOTAL POPULATION	40,865	41,425	42,131				
SCHOOL AGE (5-19)	7,470	7,865	8,030				
age 5 to 9	2,205	2,090	1,970				
age 10 to 14	2,495	2,825	2,780				
age 15 to 19	2,770	2,950	3,280				
% School Age	18%	19%	19%				

projections not available

Table #3 - West Vancouver Local Health Area School Age Population (1996-2026)

West Van Local Health Area* (BC STATS)	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016	2021	2026
TOTAL POPULATION	48,875	49,465	50,457	52,159	54,244	56,663	59,366
SCHOOL AGE (5-19)	8,797	9,351	9,462	8,331	7,741	7,781	7,907
age 5 to 9	2,687	2,496	2,334	2,037	2,023	2,240	2,593
age 10 to 14	2,905	3,307	3,225	2,782	2,551	2,574	2,550
age 15 to 19	3,205	3,548	3,903	3,512	3,167	2,967	2,764
% School Age	18%	19%	19%	16%	14%	14%	13%

* Note: the West Vancouver Local Health Area includes Bowen Island, Lions Bay and Capilano 5 and has the same boundaries as the School District.

Enrolment by Individual Schools

Data and charts on school enrolment by individual schools are provided on the following pages.

Enrolment within individual schools fluctuates cyclically as children age and are born within neighbourhood areas, and as overall demographics shift. Enrolment is also affected when neighbouring schools are opened or closed, or when new programs or grades are added. For example, increasing enrolment in private schools and in public French immersion programs affect overall enrolment in neighbourhood schools.

Table #3 highlights trends in enrolment amongst West Vancouver public schools between 1996-2009. Most West Vancouver public schools have had fairly constant enrolment during this period. Three schools have had increasing enrolment and four schools have had decreasing enrolment.

Table #4 shows trends in enrolment amongst West Vancouver private schools over the past decade. During this period, the most notable increase was seen in 2000 with the opening of Mulgrave school in West Vancouver (prior to 2000 the school operated in a smaller facility in North Vancouver). Since, 2004 enrolment in all West Vancouver private schools has remained fairly constant.

** WV Montessori became the Mulgrave Early Learning Centre (for pre-school ages 3&4) in Sept 2009

Table #3 - WV Public School Enrolment Trends (1996-2009)

	1996 Enrol.	2004 Enrol.	Net Change 1996-2004	2009 Enrol.	Net Change 2004-2009
Increasing enrolment					
West Bay Elementary (K-7)	280	203	-77	343	140
Cedardale Elementary (K)*	0	26	26	177**	151
Sentinel Secondary (8-12)	1222	874	-348	1147	273
Decreasing enrolment					
Pauline Johnson Elementary (K-7)*	283	465	182	425	-40
West Vancouver Secondary (8-12)	1539	1590	51	1527	-63
Caulfeild Elementary (K-7)	397	399	2	311	-88
Rockridge Secondary (8-12)*	790	938	148	820	-118
Relatively little net change					
Ridgeview Elementary (K-7)	275	385	110	393	8
Westcot Elementary (K-7)	271	269	-2	276	7
Chartwell Elementary (K-7)	282	259	-23	259	0
Hollyburn Elementary (K-7)	288	220	-68	213	-7
Cypress Park Primary (K-3)*	0	55	55	48	-7
Gleneagles Elementary (K-7)	288	260	-28	246	-14
Eagle Harbour Primary (K-3)	93	67	-26	52	-15
Irwin Park Elementary (K-7)	360	368	8	344	-24

NOTES:

Cypress Park Primary reopened in 1998

Pauline Johnson and Cedardale are District wide French Immersion programs which have the entire School District as their catchment.

Cedardale opened for kindergarten in 2004 and the School District plans to add a grade each year. **2009 ENROLMENT FOR CEDARDALE INCLUDES GRADES K-5

Rockridge was a junior secondary school with grades 8-10 until 2002/03 when it changed to include grades 8-11. In 2003/04 onwards it included all sec. grades 8-12

Table #4 - WV Private School Enrolment Trends (2000-2009)

	2000 Enrol.	2004 Enrol.	Net Change 2000-2004	2009 Enrol.	Net Change 2004-2009
Increasing enrolment					
Collingwood (8-12)	476	498	22	531	33
Mulgrave (K-12)	172	706	534	743	37
Mulgrave Early Learning Centre**				59	n/a
Relatively little net change					
Collingwood (K-7)	675	672	-3	678	6
St. Anthony's (K-7)	215	209	-6	212	3
Horseshoe Bay Christian (K-12)	26	24	-2	n/a	n/a
Gatehouse Montessori (K)	12	12	0	6	-6
West Vancouver Montessori (K)	13	7	-6	see note**	



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Table #5 - West Vancouver School District #45 Enrolment by School, 2005/06 to 2009/10

WV Public Elementary	East of 28th	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Net Change '05-09
Chartwell Elementary (K-7)		262	258	271	265	259	-3
Hollyburn Elementary (K-7)		230	230	217	222	217	-13
Irwin Park Elementary (K-7)		373	358	345	343	344	-29
Ridgeview Elementary (K-7)		383	405	400	410	396	13
Westcot Elementary (K-7)		246	255	258	285	274	28
Subtotal		1494	1506	1491	1525	1490	-4

WV Public Elementary	West of 28th	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Net Change '05-09
Caulfeild Elementary (K-7)		375	365	345	346	312	-63
Cypress Park Primary (K-3)		56	53	52	50	48	-8
Eagle Harbour Primary (K-3)		61	49	46	40	57	-4
Gleneagles Elementary (K-7)		258	262	262	265	244	-14
West Bay Elementary (K-7)		216	247	267	253	343	127
Subtotal		966	976	972	954	1004	38

WV Public French Immersion Elementary (District wide)*	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Net Change '05-09
Pauline Johnson Elementary (K-7)	476	471	452	441	422	-54
Cedardale Elementary (K-5)	68	96	117	148	179	111
Subtotal	544	567	569	589	601	57

* French Immersion is a District wide program which has the entire School District as its catchment.

WV Public Secondary	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Net Change '05-09
Rockridge Secondary (8-12)*	912	895	893	845	810	-102
Sentinel Secondary (8-12)	920	992	1063	1126	1135	215
West Vancouver Secondary (8-12)	1588	1587	1558	1521	1518	-70
Subtotal	3420	3474	3514	3492	3463	43

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Cedardale opened for kindergarten in 2004 and the School District plans to add a grade each year (2009 includes grades K-5)

WV Private Schools	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Net Change '05-09
Collingwood Elementary (K-7)	672	675	674	689	678	6
Collingwood Secondary (8-12)	524	540	535	523	531	7
Gatehouse Montessori (K)	15	11	n/a	10	6	-9
Horseshoe Bay Christian (K-12)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Mulgrave (K-12)	713	764	753	748	743	30
St. Anthony's (K-7)	205	216	203	204	212	7
West Vancouver Montessori (K)*	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	59	n/a
Subtotal	2129	2206	2165	2174	2170	41

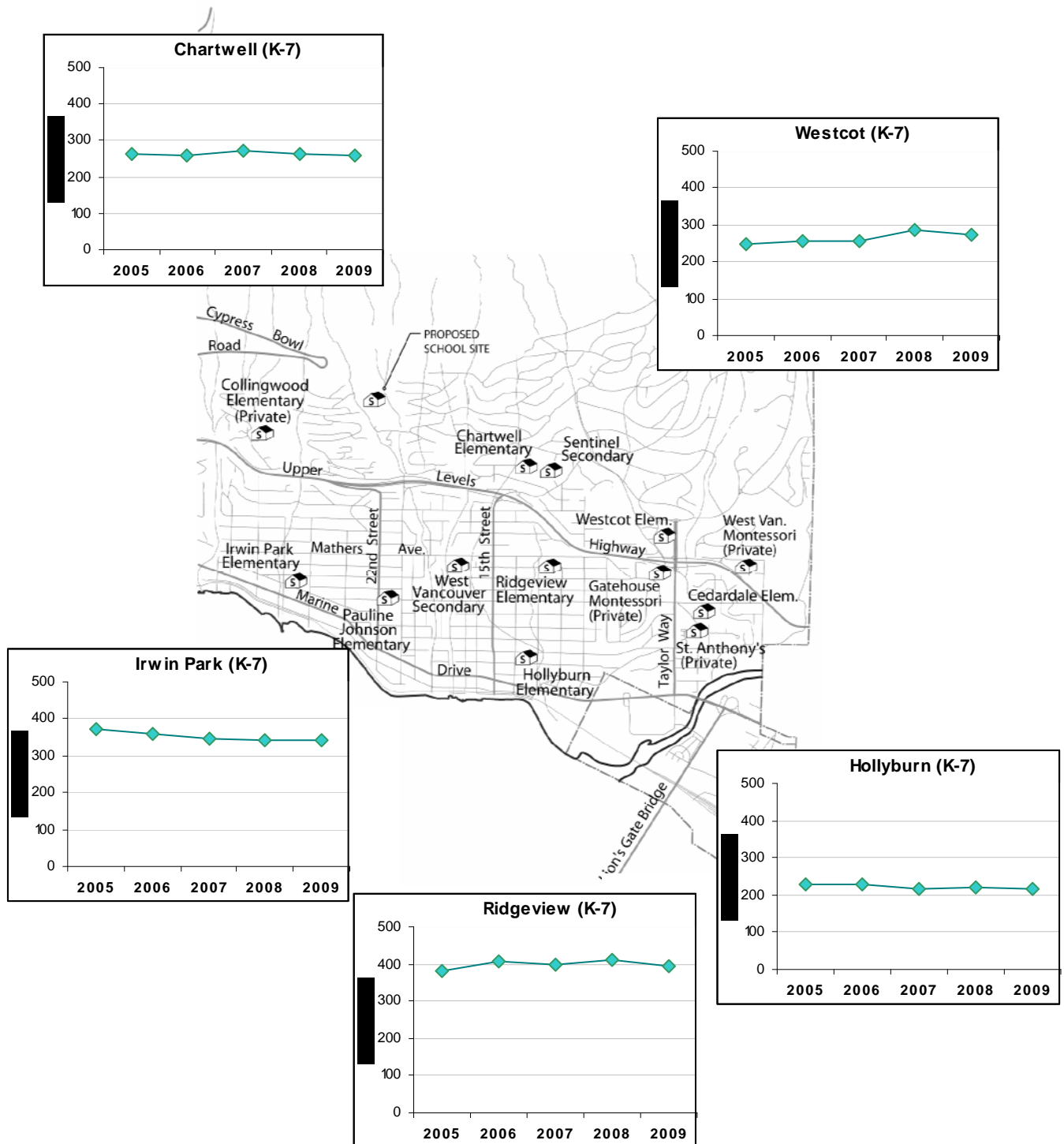
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Bowen / Lions Bay Public Elementary	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Net Change '05-09
Bowen Island Community (K-7)	227	239	259	268	289	62
Lions Bay Community (K-3)	51	49	42	42	55	4
Subtotal	278	288	301	310	344	66

Bowen Is. Private Schools	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Net Change '05-09
Bowen Island Montessori (K-5)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Island Pacific School (6-9)	50	53	57	48	47	-3
Subtotal	50	53	57	48	47	-3

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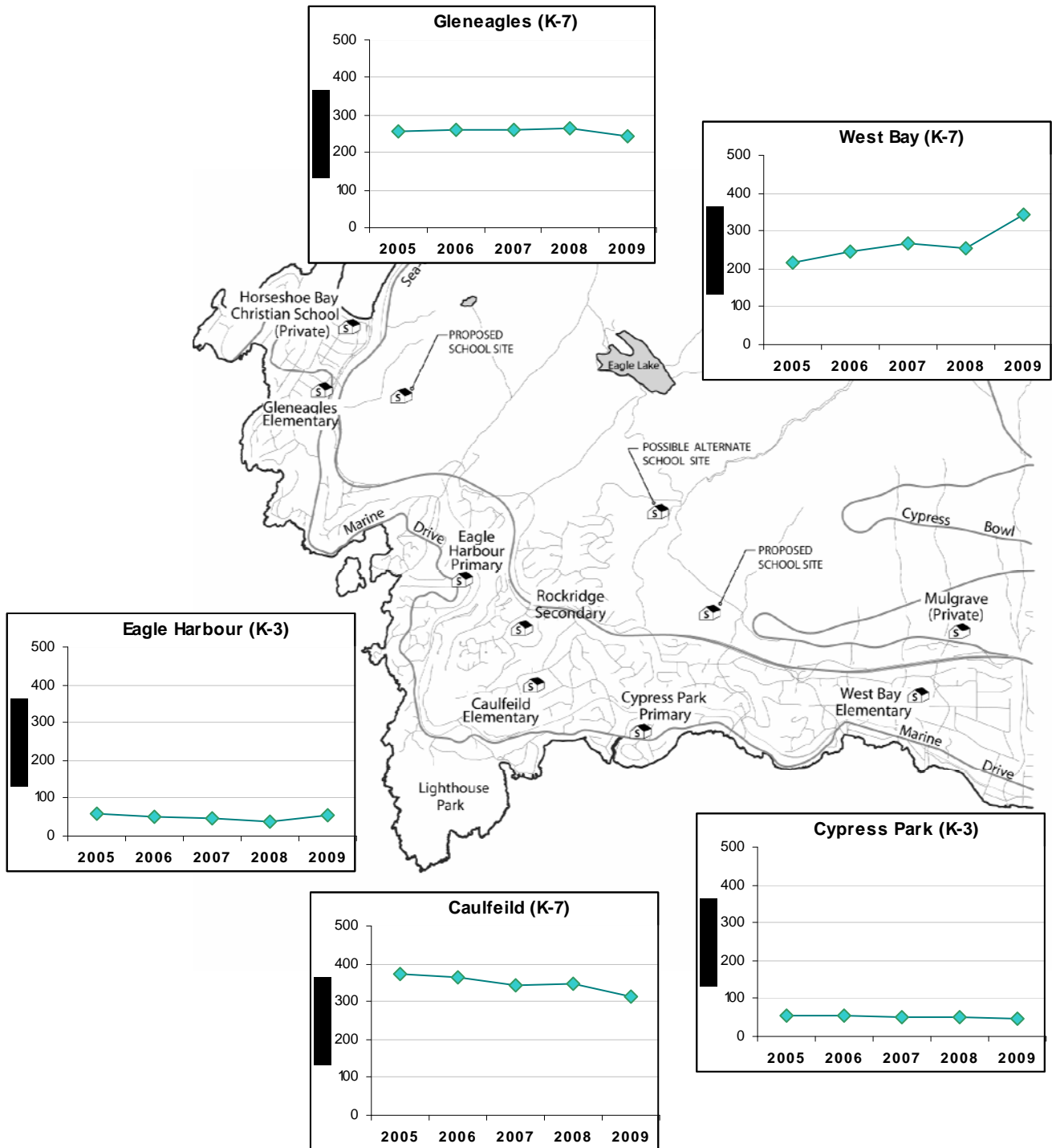
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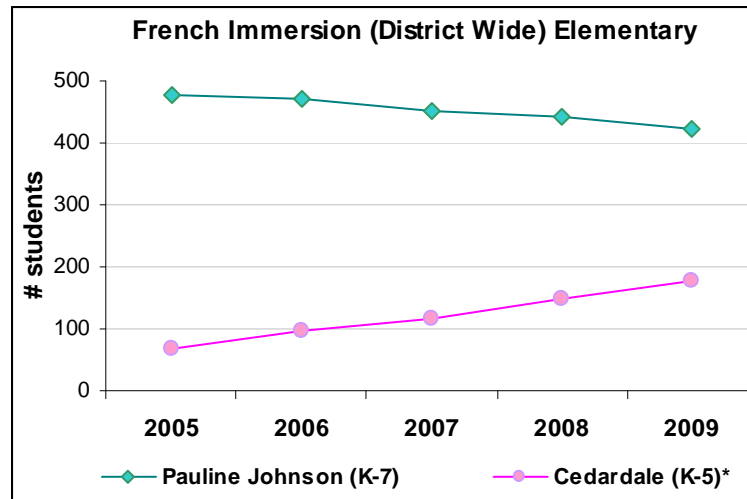
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Neighbourhood Based Elementary Schools West of 28th Street (2005-2009)**



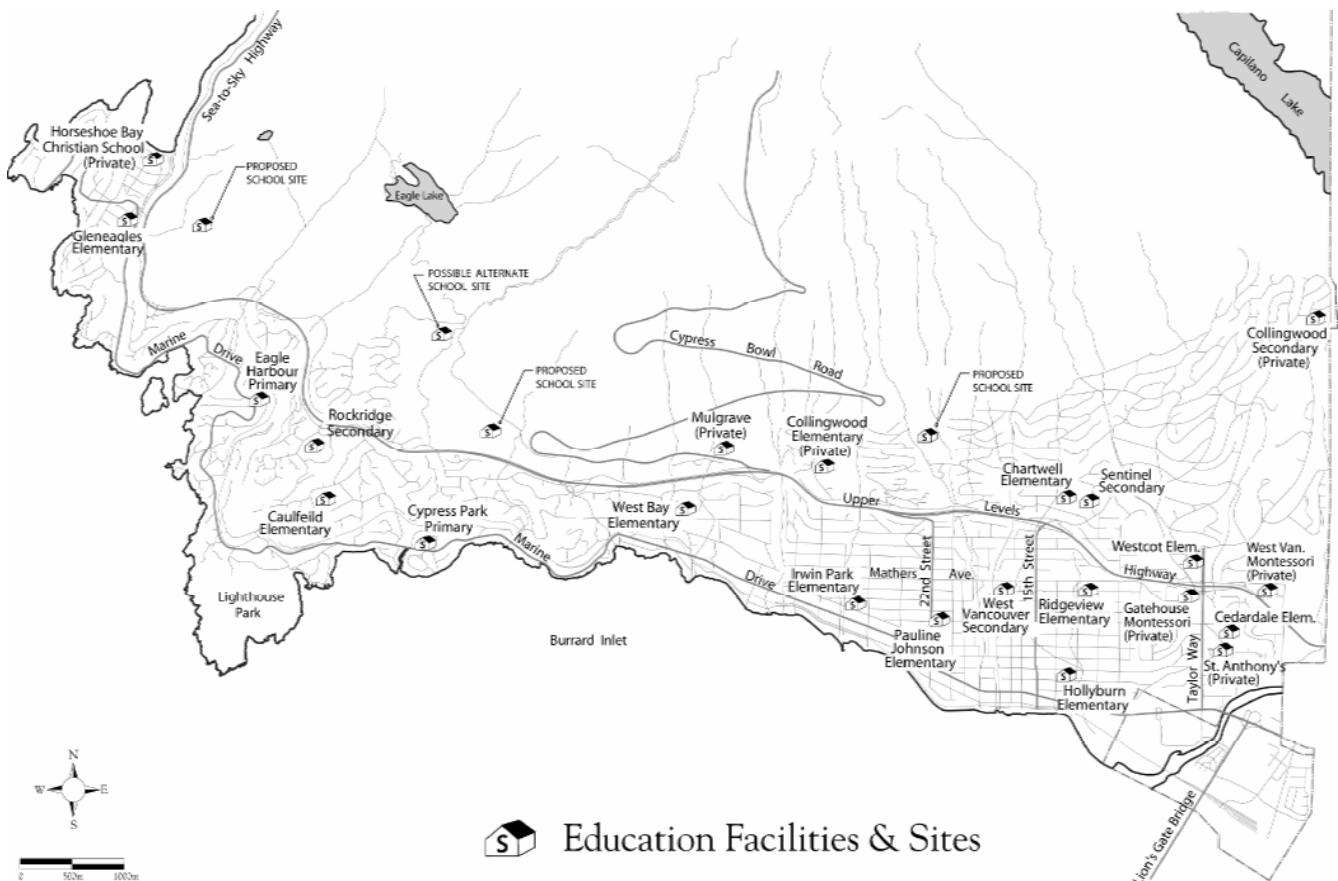


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**Chart #10 - West Vancouver Public School Enrolment Trends:
District Wide Elementary French Immersion (2005-2009)**



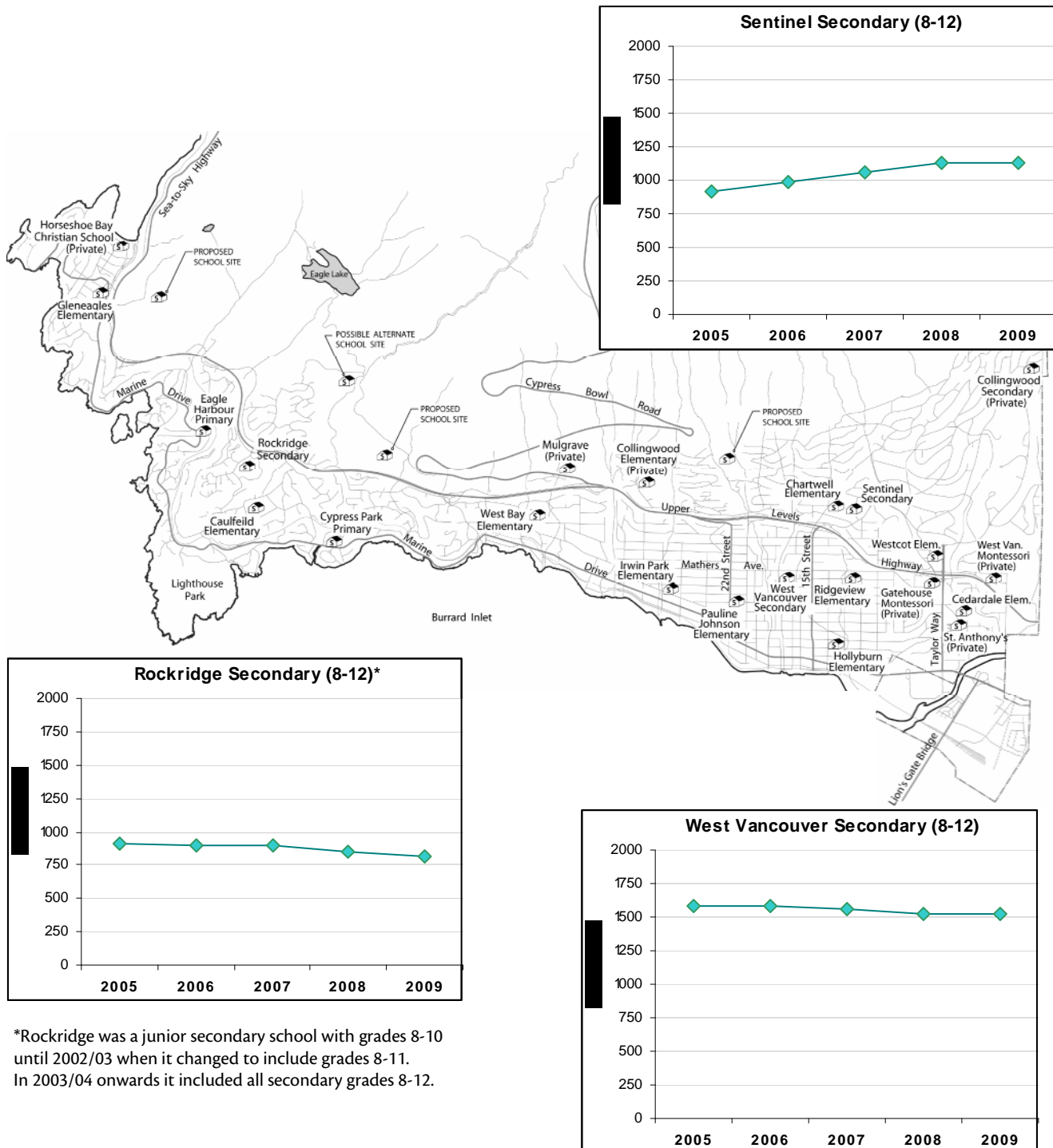
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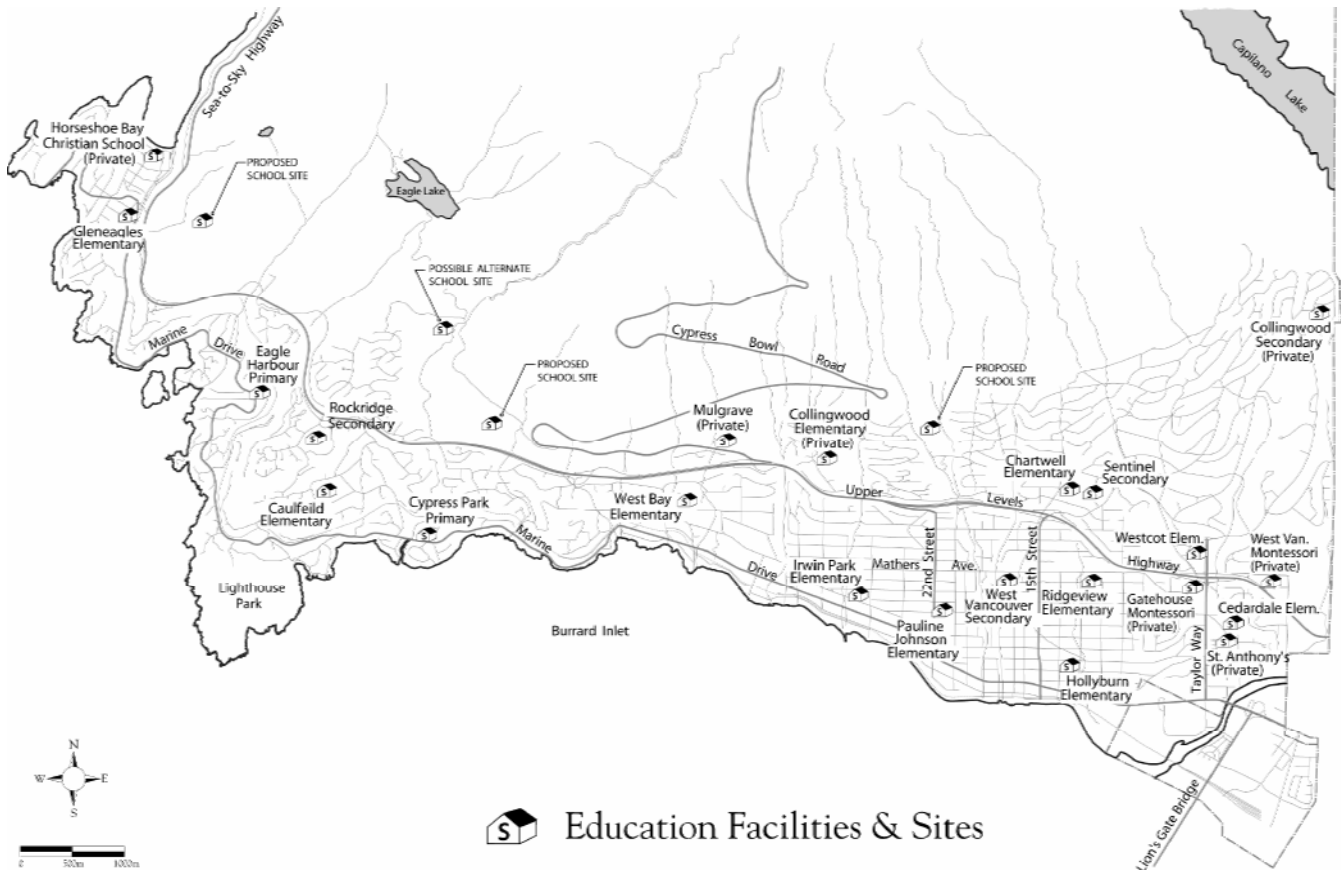
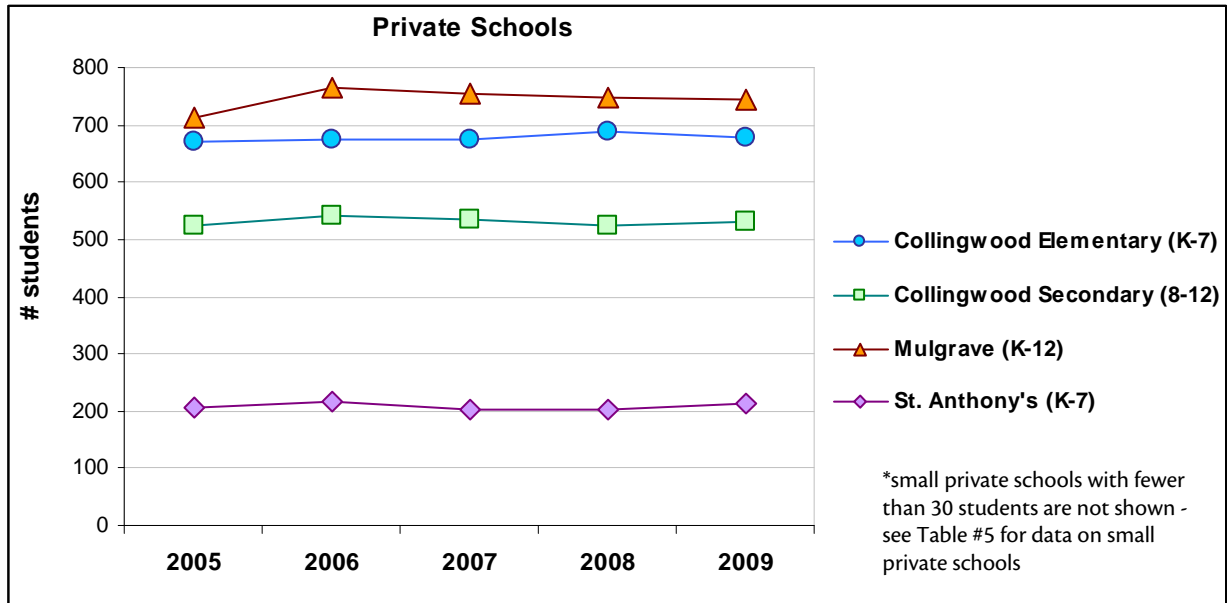
Charts - Series #11 - West Vancouver Public School Enrolment Trends:
Secondary Schools (1996-2004)



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Enrolment by Individual Private Schools

Chart #12- West Vancouver Private School Enrolment Trends (2005-2009)



Education Facilities & Sites