

HCPS Enrollment Balancing Process

Advisory Team Meeting #6

May 12, 2021 – 5:00-7:30 pm

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- Bloom Planning: Overview of Virtual Meeting Tools (Zoom), review of agenda, review of guiding principles: As a full group, participants discuss refinements and give inputs to elementary and secondary options, making them ready for the next Community Education Forum (CEF); participants review CEF2 intentions and format.
- Timeline: 2 remaining Advisory Team meetings, 2 Community Forums back to back in June
- FLO focusing today on Elementary to Middle School feeders, looking at Middle School balancing because high schools are not over capacity but will still include high school enrollment in assessment.
- Discuss fist to five process, for elementary schools looking for any 0-2 ratings for elementary school regions. Elementary school region walk through:
 - **North Region:** no feedback that came in on N-9x area, CW-10x we'll talk about as part of Center West. Advisory Team has no changes and approves for the CEF.
 - **East Region:** Discussion about E-8x potential update, talked to transportation decided to send back to Meadowvale and looked at area in northeast Churchville to go to Darlington (will be the new E-8). Advisory Team approves that change to go to the CEF.
 - **Southeast Region:** Talked to the group about SE-8x (Greenway Farms), did get some feedback from Greenway Farms area about wanting to stay at Havre de Grace schools (in the MS/HS scenario we keep Greenway Farms at Havre de Grace MS/HS). Advisory Team approves to go to the CEF with no edits.
 - **South Region:** Three change areas, had already sent S-1 back to Youth's Benefit in the previous update. Advisory Team approves to go to the CEF with no edits.
 - **Center East:** In previous update, CW-9 was split to keep all of Hampton Ridge together and at Bel Air. Feedback through email that Lees Woods and Long Meadow would want to stay with Hampton Ridge, moving these areas back would put Bel Air at 101% capacity (the school is currently over capacity). Advisory Team approves to go to the CEF with no edits.
 - **Center West:** CW-1 and CW-10x going to Jarrettsville in this scenario, feedback about commute times and transportation to Jarrettsville from this area. Transportation speaks to this area, we would not be using 23 or any roadway that we do not currently travel with buses. The plan for that section would be to come out and make a right out of Cosner, a right onto Putnam and a right onto 165. We did look at the difference in terms of time, for a rough estimate they are currently on the bus for 8-10 minutes, would be 18-20 minutes to go to Jarrettsville on average. Another edit from the last meeting was to add CW-11x to the rest of Marywood 1. Feedback from emails to include Marywood 2 with Marywood 1. The alternative we could look at is to keep Marywood 2 with Marywood 1 along with adjacent neighborhoods (e.g. Tucker Woods, Birchwood Manor) and send to Forest Lakes and send CW-2 back to Red Pump. Discussion with participants

and transportation about walk zones (non-service areas) and how areas around Parliament Ridge and Tucker Woods are walkers and we don't want to move walkers to another school, and so this alternative would not work. Blake's Legacy are also in a non-service area. CW-8 has almost half the students of the CW-6/CW-11x. Would be looking for more feedback on alternatives in the CEF. Advisory Team approves to go to the CEF with no edits.

- **Center South:** Change from the last meeting's update (Center South meeting last week), Advisory Team decides to send CS-15x to Ring Factory instead of CS-2 (Camelot), then CS-2 and CS-14x can both go to Homestead, Homestead is more contiguous with this change. Areas are the same size. CS-4 feedback is that they want to stay at Ring Factory, which is currently at 98% and forecasted to be at 101% in 2026. If CS-4 did not move then there would be no change to the boundary so would be over, and Abingdon is below 80% currently and would go up to 86% with the addition of CS-4. Feedback from participants, CS-4 and CS-8 have been moved several times and something to think of. Abingdon increased space in 2007. In this scenario RFES would be at 92%. We weren't able to move Monmouth Meadows since we wanted to keep the neighborhood together and most of that area is a non-service area (walkers). Advisory Team approves to go to the CEF with the CS-15x edit.
 - Overall check, there are no non-service areas (walkers) that are moved in this CEF 2 version for the elementary schools.
- **Secondary Schools:** A note up front that state-rated capacity for secondary classrooms is 85% of the classroom space, so a school that is 100% full means the school would be exactly at state rated capacity (85% full).
 - **North Harford MS/HS:** MHS-10 keeps all of Forest Hill together and going to North Harford MS because Bel Air MS is over capacity. MHS-11 would send north Hickory to North Harford and keep all of Dublin together and going to North Harford. For MHS-11 the ride times would be similar. Participants note MHS-10 has been moved previously. Currently on the bus around 35 minutes to Bel Air MS. Decide to talk about MHS-10 in the Bel Air discussion.
 - **Fallston MS/HS:** Discussion about sending all of Joppatowne ES to Magnolia MS to help free up space at Fallston MS for more students from Bel Air MS. Will talk about MHS-19 as part of Bel Air MS discussion.
 - **Magnolia MS/Joppatowne HS:** Already reviewed MHS-3 and MHS-2, the only other change is to keep the neighborhoods west of 24 together and going to Magnolia (Ashby Place).
 - **Edgewood MS/HS:** The only other edit is MHS-4 by 12 Stones Place which is an edit to the existing boundaries, no students in this area.
 - **Havre de Grace MS/HS:** Keeps same boundary along southern line, MHS-14 to Aberdeen and if MHS-15 area to Darlington then also send to Havre de Grace. Drive times for MHS-14 and 15 would be the same to Aberdeen as to Havre de Grace.
 - **Aberdeen MS/HS:** MHS 14 and 15 we already talked about, MHS 12 and 13 would go from Southampton to Aberdeen to allow more space at Southampton to take students from Bel Air/Patterson Mill.

- **Southampton MS/C. Milton Wright HS:** MHS-11, 12, and 13 already discussed, MHS-9 is at Hickory and would stay with the rest of the southern part of Hickory to go to Southampton instead of Bel Air. MHS-7 and 5 to talk about in Patterson Mill discussion.
 - **Bel Air MS/HS:** Already talked through MHS-10 and 9. MHS-19 would go to Fallston with some other Red Pump students already going to Fallston. MHS-6 would stay with other Homestead Wakefield students in that neighborhood to go to Bel Air MS. MHS-7 would join other Homestead Wakefield students to go to Southampton. Bel Air MS is over by ~260 students in general seats. MHS-10 and 19 combined have most of the number of students that would need to go to another school to balance the middle school. Discussion about MHS-10, transportation to North Harford, no concerns with routing and since this is a large neighborhood may be able to do some more direct routing. Looked into idea for moving Bel Air ES as a feeder to Southampton, the balance is there but would move more students overall and not be contiguous.
 - **Patterston Mill MHS:** Three areas to look at with the group, Elementary CS-15x discussion to send to Ring Factory so all of Ring Factory ES is a feeder into Patterson Mill MS. Elementary CS-4 area is in Patterson Mill in this scenario and would be the only area of Abingdon that would not be going to Edgewood. West side of CS-7 (Broadview and along Wheel Rd.) at Patterson Mill MHS but would make HWES a three school feeder instead of two. After discussion, moved more of HWES area into Bel Air MS and send all of CS-7 to Southampton. Routes for areas currently at Patterson Mill MHS going to Southampton are 8-10 additional minutes on the bus.
 - **[NOTE: Another meeting to discuss Bel Air and Patterson Mill Middle School boundaries scheduled for Tuesday May 18th]**
- Bloom: Wrap up – Reflection and next steps
 - Discussion about next CEF, June 2 and 3 to go through all of the Elementary to Middle School feeders. Soliciting questions in advance for the District to respond to and also submit feedback after the CEF for the change areas.
 - Next Advisory Team meeting June 16th.