

Planning for Future Facilities

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In pursuit of excellence, the district will:

- remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus
- stay abreast of and incorporate best practices into teaching, learning, and leadership
- celebrate and respect the diversity in our Denton ISD community
- review and adjust policies and procedures effectively to address the challenges of rapid growth and changing demographic characteristics while maintaining and enhancing our strong sense of community

Discussion Points

- Review community comments from May 2008 High School Attendance Boundary Adjustment
- Discuss Middle School/Elementary School design information inclusive of future space for Pre-K.
- Considerations as DISD approaches .50 cent Interest and Sinking tax rate
- Capping of Permanent School Fund

May 2008 High School Attendance Boundary Adjustment

- Move the Mid-town of Denton to Denton HS rather than the area south of I-35
- All new developments and new areas of existing developments be assigned to DHS or RHS. (Lantana, Wheeler Ridge, Lexington Park, Taylor Estates, etc.)
- Consider Additions to Guyer High School
 - Build a freshman campus
 - Add additional portables
- Increase class sizes at Guyer to accommodate the current attendance zone
- Allow all 9th graders to attend DHS or RHS and allow GHS to serve 10, 11, and 12 until high school number 4 is constructed

Future Conversations from Attendance Boundary Presentation

- High School Size
- On site ninth grade centers
- High School Grade configuration
- Location of High School Number Four
- Increase class size at existing campuses
- Move towards a feeder system of schools
- Other?

Middle School/Elementary School design

- Discussions for early childhood center and the eventual movement of Pre-K to the elementary campuses.
- Increase in special programs will necessitate either a reduction in the attendance zones, or increase in the size of the elementary prototype.
- Green Innovations?
- Middle School size is serving the district well at this point.

50 cent I and S tax rate

- Growth no longer pays for growth due to increase in construction cost and a decrease in value growth.
- Increase in construction costs will accelerate the I and S tax rate.
- HS design/capacity may need to alter :
 - for the district to be more efficient with bond dollars
 - Accommodate HS students on the 380 corridor, and southern growth
 - Accommodate population shifts within the district
 - Create Learning communities inclusive of two middle schools for each high school.

Discussion and Comments....