

HAYS CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: September 24, 2024

Agenda Item: K.3

Board Goal: Community Relations

Subject: Consideration and possible approval to Begin the Process of Attendance Zone Mapping for the Fall 2025
Opening of Ramage Elementary School

Administrator Responsible/Position: Tim Savoy, Chief Communication Officer
Max Cleaver, Chief Operations Officer

A. Purpose of Agenda Item:

Action needed

Information only

Receive input

B. Authority for This Action:

Local Policy

FC (Local)

Law or Rule

N/A

C. Summary:

Previous board action relating to this item – none on this specific process, though attendance boundary processes occur regularly in the district because of fast growth.

Future action anticipated – following a decision regarding any new maps created from this process, the district will implement the maps that would go into effect for the 2025 – 2026 school year.

Background information – In accordance with Policy FC (local), the board shall establish attendance zones for schools. An attendance zone will be necessary for Ramage Elementary School when it opens in August 2025. Additionally, adjustments to attendance zones may be necessary to balance student populations.

Administration intends to present map recommendations during this process in three parts that can be considered and adopted independently, or together. Part A would consist of map changes necessary only for the creation of an attendance zone for Ramage Elementary. Part B would consist of changes recommended to areas that are in development where no students currently live, if any. Part C would consist of changes to existing school maps with students residing in the areas that may be considered to balance student populations, if any.

In accordance with policy, prior to beginning a rezoning process, the Board takes action by declaring its intent to begin a rezoning process. This is the recommended action for September, which allows the district to inform parents and students that attendance zone changes are being considered.

The full process for developing maps is detailed in policy, but highlights include starting with a minimum of two possible maps and conducting two public forums.

A proposed full process timeline is attached for review and Board discussion, culminating in the goal of making map decisions by the close of the Fall 2024 semester to allow parents and students plenty of time to prepare prior to the start of the 2025-2026 school year.

See enclosures: Draft Process Timeline and Policy FC (Local)

D. Suggested Motion:

I move that the Hays CISD Board of Trustees begin a rezoning process and make public its intent to do so in accordance with local policy, as presented.