

# Approval of the 2013-14 Middle School Re-zoning Plan

Tuesday - June 12, 2012

## SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of the proposed middle school re-zoning plan for the 2013-14 school year. The purpose of re-zoning is three-fold. First, the opening of middle school #7 in August 2013 located adjacent to Olive Stephens Elementary School necessitates modification of existing boundaries. Secondly, to balance student populations at the remaining middle schools, except Navo Middle School. Finally, to align District middle school attendance lines with high school attendance lines – where & when possible.

## BOARD GOAL:

- I. Vision.... In pursuit of excellence, the district will:
  - Remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus
  
- IV. Parent and Community Involvement.... In pursuit of excellence, the district will:
  - Foster a positive and welcoming environment that encourages parent and community partnerships to achieve success for all our students
  - Work continuously with the community in planning and facility development
  
- VI. Growth, Change & Fiscal Responsibility.... In pursuit of excellence, the district will:
  - Review and adjust policies and procedures as appropriate to address the challenges of rapid growth and changing demographic characteristics while maintaining and enhancing our strong sense of community.
  - Demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources

## PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

The Board was presented the proposed 2013-14 Middle School Re-zoning Plan on May 22, 2012. No action was taken.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The opening of Middle School 7 within the current Crownover attendance zone necessitates the modification of existing middle school boundaries to balance student populations and to align middle school boundaries with high school boundaries – where and when possible. All middle school attendance zones will be impacted except those at Navo Middle School. The functional capacity of our middle school campuses are 1,000 students. The 2013-14 Middle School Re-zoning Plan Meetings Chart is as follows:

Middle School Re-zoning Project Plan	
Project Action	Date
Staff Presentations – PDC / Administrators Meeting	May 9, 2012
Public Hearings – Mc Math Middle School (7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.)	May 15, 2012
Crownover Middle School (7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)	May 16, 2012
Virtual Presentation placed on District Web Page	May 15, 2012
Board Workshop – Advanced Technology Complex (7:00 p.m.)	May 22, 2012
Public Comment Form Placed on District Web Page	May 23, 2012
Possible Board Approval – Central Administration Building (6:00 p.m.)	June 12, 2012

## SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

Harpool & Crownover Middle Schools will be over functional capacity by 2012-13 school year and Navo & Strickland Middle Schools will be over their functional capacity by 2014-15 school year (1,000 students = functional capacity). The proposed boundary change does not affect Navo Middle School. The District may need to place portables at Navo MS for the increased student enrollment prior to the construction of another middle school.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

If the Proposed 2013-14 Middle School Attendance Plan is approved, the District will need to consider increased staffing for Middle School #7.

**BENEFIT OF ACTION:**

Passage of this action will help to alleviate overcrowding at our middle school campuses, assist to balance student populations and improve the alignment of our middle school boundaries with our high school attendance zones.

**PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:**

Comments received from public – see attached.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

*Option #2:*

Allow the Oaks of Montecito & Chaucer Estates to remain within the Harpool MS attendance boundary.

**OTHER COMMENTS:**

Transportation will be provided to those outside a two-mile radius of the campus. This is determined from property line to property line along a public roadway. District staff will continue to review this policy and ensure it fits within a holistic strategy.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:**

The Superintendent recommends the approval of the 2013-14 Middle School Re-zoning plan (Option 1). Those students that attend Harpool Middle School next year (2012-13 school year), and are to be rezoned to Crownover Middle School, will have the option to stay and finish along with any sibling if attending at the same time – provided they do the following:

- 1) Students will need to go through the standard Transfer Request Process  
Middle School In-District Transfers: Please contact the desired middle school campus (i.e. Harpool MS – must fill out form)
- 2) Parents and/or Guardians will need to provide transportation

Special Needs students school location will be on a case by case basis.

Once Harpool Middle School reaches 95% of functional capacity transfers will no longer be accepted. Exceptions are those students that will be in 8<sup>th</sup> grade along with any sibling attending the school at the same time. These students will be able to finish at Harpool MS.

**STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:**

Robert Bostic, Director of School Leadership & Instructional Technology  
Rod Reeves, Coordinator of Facilities & Planning

**ATTACHMENT:**

Summary from Public Re-zoning Meetings  
Existing Middle School Attendance Zones with dashed lines indicating areas to be re-zoned  
Proposed Middle School Attendance Zones – Option #1  
Proposed Middle School Attendance Zones – Option #2  
Prezi Presentation located O:\Planning\Middle School #7\2013-14 MS Re-zoning Plan (select prez.exe)

**APPROVAL:**

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_