



October 4, 2017

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Michael J. Martirano, Ed. D.  
Interim Superintendent

Subject: Superintendent’s Proposed School Attendance Boundary Adjustments

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform you about the rationale for my recommendation to move Polygon 2136 from Running Brook Elementary School to Clemens Crossing Elementary School. This polygon encompasses the planned Downtown Columbia Crescent area. This recommendation is part of a series of moves to balance utilization in Columbia and manage projected growth for elementary schools in the Columbia West region.

Polygon 2136 is on the boundary of the Running Brook Elementary School and Clemens Crossing Elementary School attendance areas and no students currently reside. This recommendation minimizes the impact on the number of families currently enrolled at Running Brook Elementary School. Movement of Polygon 2136 will not impact existing students at Running Brook Elementary School, but provides a significant benefit in the long term. Alternatively, in order to sustain projected enrollment at Running Brook Elementary School, a shift of currently enrolled students would be necessary. If left unchanged, Running Brook Elementary School is projected to be at 136% capacity utilization in 2021.

This recommendation creates a sustainable attendance area and will manage growth for Running Brook Elementary School. While there are many ways to address the student growth in Colombia West, my proposal is driven by a desire to have a long-term solution to address the planned growth.

The table below represents current capacity utilization before and after the Superintendent’s Recommendation of proposed boundary adjustments.

School	Proj 2018 no change	Util 2018 no change	Proj 2018 w/ change	Util 2018 w/ change	Proj 2021 no change	Util 2021 no change	Proj 2021 w/ change	Util 2021 w/ change
Bryant Woods	419	92.0	337	93.4	415	115.1	339	94
Clarksville ES	407	74.8	498	91.5	412	75.7	497	91.4
Clemens Crossing ES	576	110.4	398	76.4	670	128.7	533	102.4
Dayton Oaks ES	595	77.4	624	81.2	633	82.3	698	90.8
Longfellow ES	412	80.4	570	111.3	384	75.1	541	105.7
Pointers Run ES*	704	94.6	776	104.3	754	101.3	826	111
Running Brook ES	479	96.5	470	91.2	701	136.1	535	103.8

Should you have questions, please contact Renée Kamen, School Planning Manager.

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