

District-wide Boundary Review Advisory Committee Recommendations: District-wide Overview and Ainsworth Specific



The District-wide Boundary Review Advisory Committee (DBRAC) is making its first set of recommendations to Superintendent Carole Smith for balancing enrollment across schools for strong schools in every neighborhood across the district.

The Jan. 28, 2016 DBRAC recommendations include:

- K-8s: Criteria for siting schools that are to remain K-8s.
- **Middle schools:** Criteria for siting middle schools as part of a conversion of K-8s to K-5 and 6-8 schools.
- West Side: Proposal to address overcrowding at Capitol Hill, Chapman and Hayhurst elementary schools and Lincoln High School.

West Side recommendations

If approved by the superintendent and the school board, the following changes would begin in fall 2016 unless stated otherwise:

- Moving the Ainsworth Spanish Immersion program to East Sylvan.
 Retaining the West Sylvan Middle School and Lincoln High School feeder pattern.
- Moving portions of Chapman's northwestern and southeastern boundaries to Ainsworth.
- Moving the northwestern portion of Bridlemile to Ainsworth and reassigning the remaining, smaller Bridlemile boundary to Gray Middle School and Wilson High School.
- Shifting Maplewood students from Gray to Jackson Middle School.
- Moving a small portion of Maplewood's boundary to Hayhurst.
- Moving the southeastern boundary of Capitol Hill to Stephenson.
- Moving Odyssey K-8 from Hayhurst to Smith School in Fall 2017.
- Setting aside a portion of the Chapman attendance area in the Northwest Industrial District for future boundary change should it be rezoned for residential use. This could include students attending East Side schools.
- Retaining existing boundaries at Rieke Elementary.
- Retaining Skyline School as a K-8 attending Lincoln High School.

Planning for transition: East Sylvan School

If the recommendation is approved, students in the Spanish Immersion program would attend school at the **East Sylvan, 1849 SW 58th Ave., 97221.** The East Sylvan building served West Sylvan Middle School sixth grade students, including Spanish Immersion, through Spring 2015.

Significant transition planning would occur this spring in the following areas and would include parent and staff input:

 Transportation: PPS would discuss options for school bus service to East Sylvan as part of the implementation process. East Sylvan is located immediately



north of the Sylvan Exit on Hwy 26.

- **Building upgrades and staffing**: PPS would provide the upgrades and the staffing to offer the Spanish Immersion program at East Sylvan, including access to such offerings as art, library and PE, as part of the K-5 core program. PPS is forming an internal workgroup to assess and plan for staffing and upgrades district-wide related to the enrollment balancing work. An initial budget request is going this week to the school board to begin to address costs.
 - East Sylvan has a Facility Condition Index of .64 on a scale of 0 to .90 where the lower the rating, the better the building condition. PPS updated the index in 2012 as part of its Long Range Facilities Planning Process to assist with updated cost estimates for repair. The index includes the condition of such building components as the electrical and plumbing systems and structural soundness. (see chart, back page)

Student placement decisions: The 2016 lottery (Feb. 18 - March 9) will use current Ainsworth boundaries for setting neighborhood preference slots in the Spanish Immersion program. Families of current Spanish Immersion students will have the right to transfer out of the program and back to their neighborhood school.

Next steps

- **February/March:** Superintendent Carole Smith is reviewing the committee's district-wide recommendations and will present her final recommendations to the school board for deliberation and a vote, expected in March. The board vote would finalize boundary and program changes on the West Side.
- April-June: PPS and the District-wide Boundary Review Advisory Committee are scheduled to recommend boundaries and feeder patterns for K-8s becoming K-5/middle schools on the East Side.
- June/July: The school board will then deliberate and vote on boundaries and feeder patterns for reconfigured K-8 schools.
- Fall 2017: Most of the K-8 conversions would not occur until Fall 2017, allowing for program planning, staffing and facilities upgrades, where needed.

Opportunities to comment:

- Email to ppsgrows@pps.net
- Additional opportunities for comment will be announced in coming weeks.

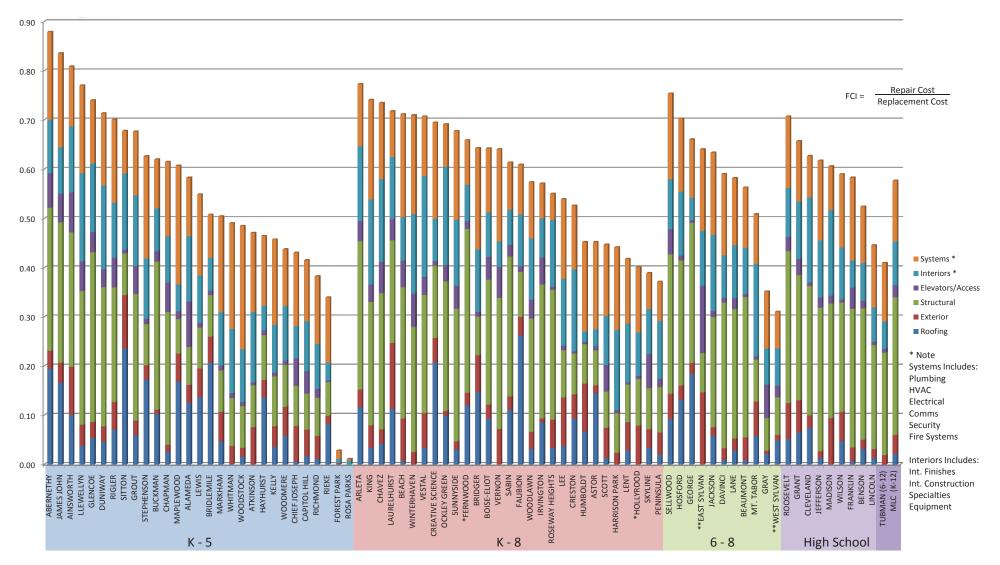
UPDATED 1/28/16: Selected Area/Neighborhood Changes: Northwest/Southwest **West Side Scenario 2B** This map shows a DRAFT scenario which may change. Changes on east side are still under discussion. KILLINGSWORT H ST Skyline remains a K-8 and feeds to Lincoln BLANDENA Future Boundary PRESCOTT ST Change Area dependent upon residential rezoning THOMPSON BROADWAY WEIDLER S Chapman 😁 BURNSIDE BRG BURNSIDE ST Lincoln ALDER ST COLUMBIA STARK ST Ainsworth e HUMPHREY BLVD FERN'ST DIVISION ST POWELL BLVD ROSS ISLAND BRG ECENTER ST Bridlemile HOLGATE BLVD Hayhurst 😍 Wilson **Maplewood** MULTNOMAH BLVD SELLWOOD BRG TACOM POMONA ST PACIFIC HWY VESTA ST Stephenson Legend Uses for PPS buildings School Types Shown K-8 Population not shown on this map by Grade by Blocks are unchanged by this scenario. Proposed HS boundary High ° 1 - 6 Proposed 6 - 8 boundary 7 - 20 Reference 21 - 50 Proposed K-5 boundary 51 - 80 81 - 120 Proposed changes from current HS boundary 121 - 200 Proposed changes from current 6 - 8 boundary Focus Option Proposed changes from current K-5 boundary Under-Enrolled Schools - 2020 Forecasts Proposed changes from current K-5 and 6 - 8 boundaries Overcrowded Schools - 2020 Forecasts



Facility Condition Index (FCI) - By Building Improvement Category

The index measures the key aspects of a building's condition. The lower the rating, the better condition the building is in. The index was developed as part of the PPS Long-Range Facilities Plan process in 2012. It does NOT reflect improvements (such as seismic strengthening, new roofs and/or improved accessibility) made at more than 45 buildings through the PPS School Building Improvement Bond. To learn more about bond work at our schools, go to www.pps.net/bond.

Note: At Ainsworth, a new roof including seismic bracing as well as additional seismic strengthening were completed in summer 2015. Improvements to building accessibility, including a new elevator, were also made.



^{*} Beverly Cleary is shown as Fernwood and Hollyrood

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