

Dear PPS community,

Today, April 29, Deputy Superintendent Claire Hertz released her SE Enrollment and Program Balancing Phase 2 [recommendation](#), which would impact 20 SE schools beginning in **Fall 2023**. The recommendation builds upon the work of the volunteer SE Guiding Coalition, who presented their final [report](#) to her last week.

The Board will discuss Deputy Superintendent Claire Hertz's recommendation on May 10th, and will vote on May 24th on their final decisions.

Community members are encouraged to provide their feedback on the recommendation at an open house May 5th from 6-8pm in the Franklin HS cafeteria.

Below are the possible changes that could be made:

- Harrison Park K-8 would convert to a middle school. Its current K-5 students would attend a new elementary school at the Clark building (the current home of Creative Science School). In addition to these neighborhood students, Harrison Park MS would be made up of neighborhood students from Vestal and Atkinson attendance areas, and Chinese Immersion students from the Harrison Park and Woodstock programs.
- Creative Science School would relocate to Bridger K-5 and blend with the existing neighborhood program there.
- The Spanish Immersion program at Bridger would relocate to Lent K-5, which would become a whole-Immersion school with guaranteed admission for the Lent neighborhood. Students in the Lent neighborhood who do not attend the Spanish program would attend Marysville K-5, instead.
- The proposed plan would shift the Woodstock neighborhood and a portion of the Sellwood neighborhood to the Lane attendance area, strengthening enrollment at the smallest middle school in the region. Additional boundary changes involving Woodstock, Lewis, Arleta, Marysville and Glencoe elementary schools would increase enrollment at Creston, Vestal, Whitman and Woodmere elementary schools. These changes would help schools meet minimum enrollment thresholds and offer more robust programs.
- Kellogg Middle School, which just opened this year, would also see changes from the proposal. The blocks closest to Kellogg would now be part of its attendance area, and the Spanish Immersion program at Mt. Tabor MS would relocate to Kellogg, consolidating all Spanish Immersion in the region at a single middle school. Kellogg would be too large with these additions, so the proposal also moves the Creston neighborhood out of Kellogg and into the Hosford attendance area. Kellogg would likely

still have the highest middle school enrollment in the region, which was a serious concern for the SEGC.

Once the Board decides on the changes, planning will begin to ensure future transportation, staffing and community support and other implementation needs are in place by the start of the 2023-24 school year.

Boundary changes would begin with kindergartners, 6th graders and other new students in Fall 2023. Other students would be allowed to remain at their current schools through the highest grade. Program moves would happen all at once, with all grades moving to the new locations in Fall 2023.