


Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

November 17, 2011

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Joshua P. Starr, Superintendent of Schools 

Subject: Boundary Recommendations for Establishing the Service Area of Downcounty Consortium Elementary School #29

At the November 18, 2010, meeting of the Board of Education, the Board authorized a boundary study to review boundary options to create the service area for Downcounty Consortium Elementary School #29 (McKenney Hills site). The new school was planned to address the overutilization at Oakland Terrace and Woodlin elementary schools. The school, which currently is under construction, will be located at 2600 Hayden Drive in Silver Spring and is scheduled to open in August 2012.

WHEREAS, In March 2011, the superintendent of schools convened a boundary advisory committee comprising representatives from Oakland Terrace and Woodlin elementary schools and Newport Mill and Sligo middle schools; and

WHEREAS, The Boundary Advisory Committee met from March through June 2011 and submitted a report to the superintendent of schools on June 20, 2011, with committee member option evaluations and Parent Teacher Association position papers on seven boundary options; and

WHEREAS, The superintendent of schools reviewed and carefully considered the report of the Boundary Advisory Committee, Parent Teacher Association position papers, and feedback from the community at large, and on October 14, 2011, presented a recommendation for elementary and middle school boundary changes for consideration by the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, On November 2, 2011, the Board of Education conducted a work session to consider the superintendent's recommendation for boundary changes; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education conducted public hearings on November 10 and 14, 2011, in accordance with Board of Education Policy FAA, *Long-range Educational Facilities*

Planning, and Montgomery County Public Schools Regulation FAA-RA, *Long-range Educational Facilities Planning*, on the superintendent's recommendation; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the following neighborhoods be reassigned from Oakland Terrace Elementary School to Downcounty Consortium Elementary School #29 (see attached map for zone references):

- Zones OT-3 and OT-4—the area south of Dennis Avenue, west of Georgia Avenue, north of I-495, and east of Brunswick Avenue, McKenney Hills Local Park, and the Downcounty Consortium Elementary School #29 school site
- Zones OT-9, OT-10, OT-11, OT-12, and OT-13—the area south of Dennis Avenue, east of Georgia Avenue, north of I-495, and west of Renfrew Road

and be it further

Resolved, That the elementary school boundary change begin with Grades K–4 in the 2012–2013 school year with full implementation of Grades K–5 in the 2013–2014 school year; and be it further

Resolved, That the following neighborhoods be reassigned from Newport Mill Middle School to Sligo Middle School (see attached map for zone references):

- Zones OT-3 and OT-4—the area south of Dennis Avenue, west of Georgia Avenue, north of I-495, and east of Brunswick Avenue, McKenney Hills Local Park, and the Downcounty Consortium Elementary School #29 school site

and be it further

Resolved, That the middle school boundary change begins with Grade 6 in the 2014–2015 school year, followed by Grades 6–7 in the 2015–2016 school year, and Grades 6–8 in the 2016–2017 school year. When fully phased in, this reassignment will result in all of the Downcounty Consortium Elementary School #29 service area articulating to Sligo Middle School.

JPS:LAB:JS:lmt

Attachment

DCC29 ES Boundary Study Superintendent's Recommendation

-  School
-  DCC #29 ES
-  Oakland Terrace ES
-  Woodlin ES

