2020 Proposed Elementary School Boundary Updates

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Why is the district considering changing where my elementary age child goes to school?

The closing of Reagan Elementary School creates the need for attendance boundaries to be updated. In addition, updating elementary attendance boundaries helps maintain equitable and appropriate student enrollment numbers at other elementary campuses.

2. Do the proposed elementary boundary updates have any impact on where my student will attend middle school or high school?

The 2020 Proposed Elementary School Boundary updates do not have any impact on current middle school and high school attendance boundaries.

3. If approved, when would the new elementary boundaries become effective?

If approved, the new elementary boundaries would become effective with the beginning of the 2021-22 school year.

4. My student is a fourth grader. Will he be required to change schools next year as a 5th grader due to the boundary updates?

**Current Reagan Elementary Students:*

All current K-4th grade students at Reagan Elementary will be attending a different school next year.

5. My students are currently riding the bus to school. Will they continue to ride the bus even though they go to a different school?

Attendance boundaries are designed to support the neighborhood school concept. If the boundary updates result in your residence being closer to the newly assigned school than the previous school, it is possible your student may not be eligible to ride the bus. However, if your residence remains more than 2 miles from the newly assigned campus your student will remain eligible to ride the bus.

6. My childcare provider is currently in the Reagan attendance boundary. With the proposed change, my childcare provider will be in the Bassetti attendance boundary, but we live in the Austin attendance boundary. Can my student attend Bassetti as a transfer on childcare basis?

Your student will be eligible to transfer to Bassetti on a childcare basis if their childcare provider is in the Bassetti attendance boundary and all other criteria are met. The district will require notarized confirmation of childcare provider services prior to approving childcare related transfers.

7. How often will the district be adjusting elementary school attendance boundaries?

To the extent possible, students in a given area should not be required to change from a school because of a boundary change more than once at the elementary level.

8. When will we know for sure if the current elementary boundaries are changing?

Once the public hearings are concluded, district administration will take into account the feedback received and prepare the final recommendation to the Superintendent. Upon approval from the Superintendent, the final recommendation will be presented to the Abilene ISD Board of Trustees for their consideration. The Abilene ISD Board of Trustees is tentatively scheduled to review the proposed elementary boundary updates at their October 5th meeting.