

Redistricting Study Scope for Crozet Elementary School Addition

BACKGROUND

The school division has experienced enrollment growth in the Crozet area. Brownsville and Crozet Elementary Schools are both currently overcrowded, and Brownsville Elementary currently utilizes 8 mobile classrooms on site. To address the overcrowding, [an addition onto Crozet Elementary](#) is currently under construction and is scheduled to be completed for the 2022/23 school year. To utilize the additional seats and address overcrowding, the boundaries of Brownsville Elementary and Crozet Elementary must be redrawn.

Redistricting Advisory Committees are governed by School Board Policy FB: Facilities Planning:

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REDISTRICTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. A Redistricting Advisory Committee will be convened when a new school is anticipated or as directed by the School Board. The Committee will be comprised of citizens selected by the Superintendent from applications from school communities, a member of the Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee selected by other members, and a member of the Equity and Diversity Committee. The Superintendent supervises and monitors the work of the Committee.
2. The Committee's charge will be to work in cooperation with staff to analyze relevant data and redistricting options to present to the Superintendent. The Superintendent will then make a recommendation to the School Board. The Superintendent's recommendations will be provided to the School Board with supporting documents including all options provided by the committee.
3. As part of its process, the Committee will schedule at least one public meeting to provide an opportunity for citizens to be informed of proposed changes and react to the proposals. The Redistricting Committee's meetings will be open to the public and minutes of the meetings will be available on the School Division's website.

Through the above-outlined procedures, the School Board anticipates that effective planning to meet future enrollment trends will occur and that the citizenry of Albemarle County will be involved in and informed about these plans.

STUDY OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this study is to address current and projected overcrowding at Brownsville Elementary. The proposed scope of the study will involve Brownsville and Crozet Elementary Schools only.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Attendance areas will serve the district for at least 3-5 years with a goal of 5-7 years
- Attendance areas will be largely contiguous
- Walk areas for each school will be considered
- Transportation routes will be as efficient as possible, giving consideration to minimizing ride times within acceptable parameters.
- Neighborhoods will be assigned to the same school whenever possible.
- Greater demographic balance amongst impacted schools will be strived for where feasible.
- Grandfathering existing students will be considered by the Board on a study by study basis.

COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

The committee should be comprised of the following representatives for a total 10 members:

Four (4) representative from Brownsville Elementary

Four (4) representatives from Crozet Elementary

One (1) representative from the Long Range Planning Advisory Committee

One (1) representative recommended by the Office of Community Engagement

SCHEDULE

August 2021	School Board approves scope of study and directs Superintendent to convene committee and conduct study Superintendent advertises and receives applications for the committee
September 2021	Superintendent appoints committee members and begins sharing information Initial meeting of redistricting committee
October 2021	Committee meets two times to develop multiple redistricting scenarios

November 2021	Two community meetings held to share scenarios and receive feedback
December 2021	Committee meets to finalize recommendation to the Superintendent Superintendent presents his recommendation to School Board
January 2022	School Board holds a public hearing School Board votes on the Superintendent's recommendation
Feb.- Aug. 2022	Families are notified and transition activities take place
2022/23 School Year	New boundaries go into effect