

Board Committee of the Whole

Monday, December 5, 2022

Agenda

- i. Organizational Change Phase 1
- ii. Boundary Change Updates
- iii. Bussing
- iv. Projected Costs
- v. Building Closures







Phase 1 | Initial Steps

Phase 1 – Initial Considerations:

- Close existing elementary buildings as identified under the master plan pathway
 - Buchanan Elementary
 - Monroe Elementary
 - Washington Elementary
- No construction necessary to accommodate students at other buildings
- Plan takes advantage of existing available capacity within elementary buildings
- Pathway of transition from Elementary to Middle to be improved
- Consider additional projects after completion of initial steps



Phase 1 | Initial Steps

Additional Considerations:

- Selection of schools to be closed is based upon following considerations:
 - Building closures to be distributed regionally between eastern, northwestern, and southwestern regions of city.
 - Monroe and Washington were identified due to the following factors:
 - Age of building
 - Prospective costs associated with facility study recommendations
 - Small existing classrooms and multi-story construction are more difficult and expensive to change and improve
 - Proximity to existing intermediate school buildings removal will facilitate needed space for ability to expand and improve intermediate campus buildings

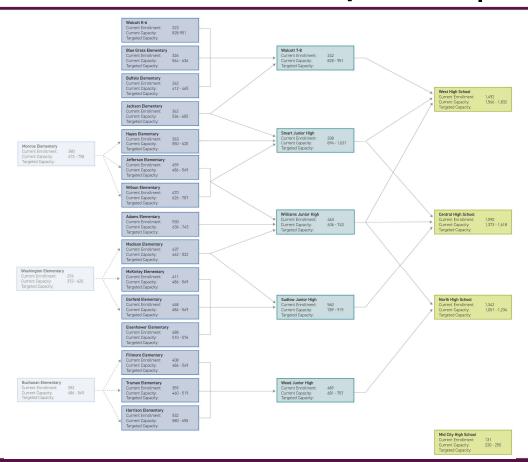


Phase 1 | Initial Steps

Additional Considerations:

- Buchanan was identified due to the following factors:
 - Lower enrollment that Fillmore and Harrison
 - Truman has had the most recent investment for building improvements
 - Fillmore, Harrison, and Truman are more closely aligned with primary access routes which provide better accessibility for students, families, busses, etc.
 - Re-distributes to buildings with higher density of population, and provides opportunity for distribution to Walcott or Jackson
- Within each region
 - Students are distributed primarily to three adjacent buildings
 - Opportunity exists to distribute to an additional (fourth) building
- Once Sixth grade moves to Middle School buildings, additional space will allow for creation of pre-school within each elementary building.

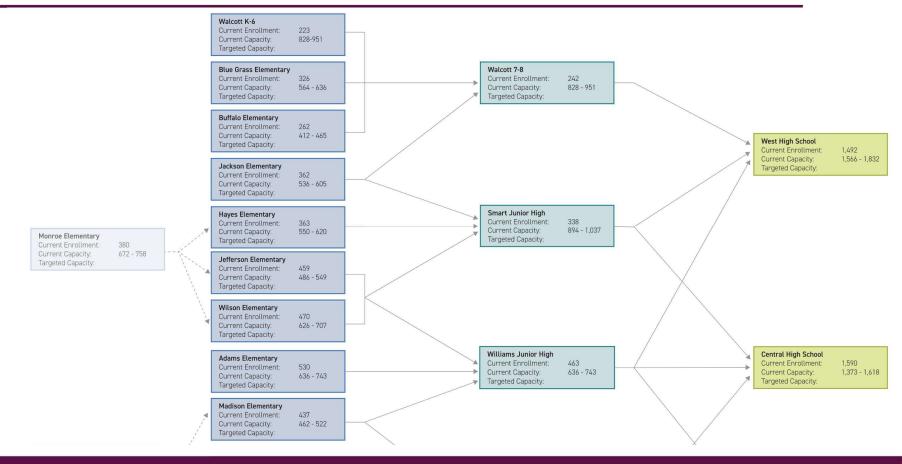




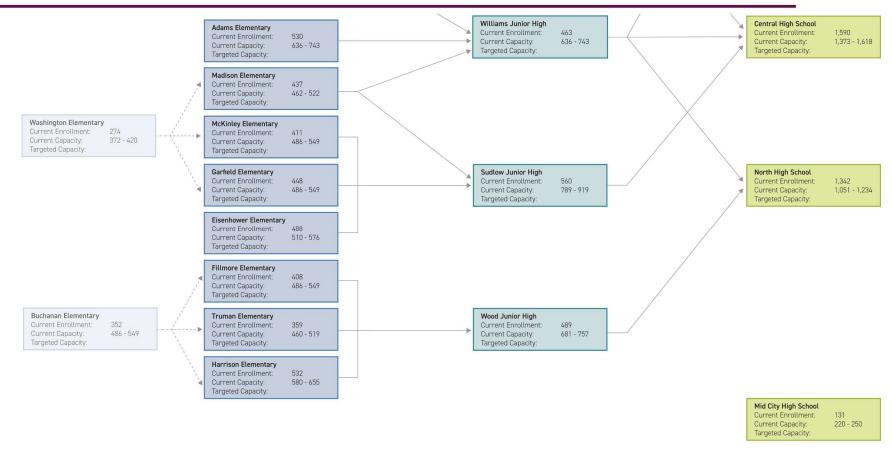
Closures:

Buchanan Elementary Monroe Elementary Washington Elementary

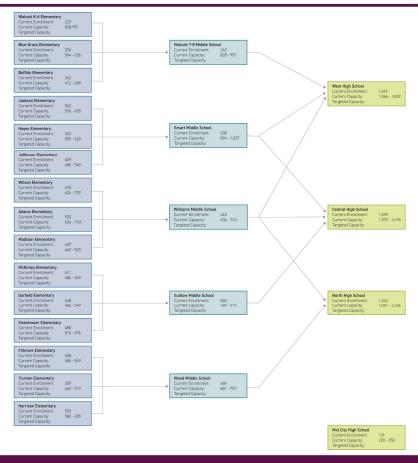






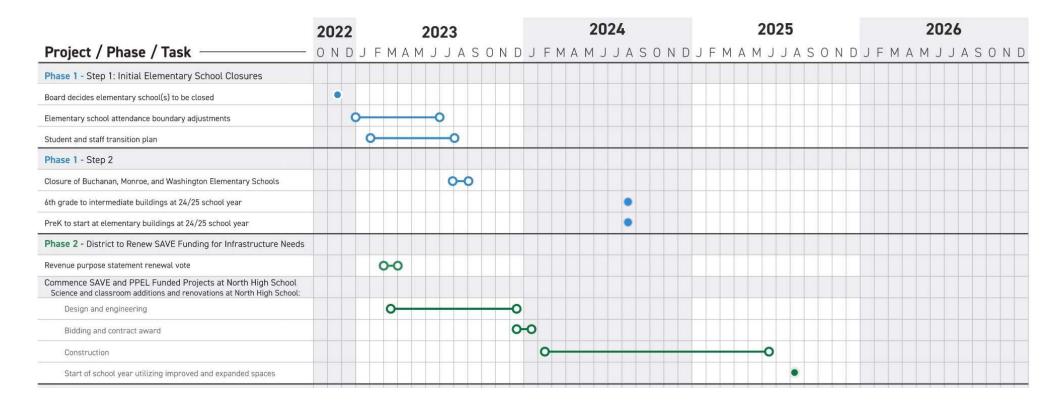








Preliminary Timeline | K-5/6-8 Pathway







Points of Consideration

Boundary

- December 31st is state deadline for boundary map changes for major district boundary only. Recommend boundary change vote in January to allow appropriate time for transition planning and communication
- Available capacity (minimum/maximum/average) utilized to determine projected building enrollment
- Impact of 6th grade move to Middle School is important due to future reduction of students at each building
- Safe walk paths and transportation needs
- Mindful of future pathways to minimize future changes
- District-wide elementary student average is 66% below and 34% above poverty line
 - This division serves as a benchmark for planning activities primary goal is to determine how to make each attendance boundary more like the rest of the city which would achieve greater balance for each of the buildings in the district
- Reasonable boundaries must be used to maintain continuity of neighborhoods and avoid contrived divisions throughout the district



Points of Consideration

Bussing

- The district currently has a contract for 80 routes. Historically the district had as many as 120 routes.
- Current work is to accommodate attendance boundary changes while keeping within the contracted quantity of routes which will avoid incurring additional transportation costs.
- Any fewer routes will fall under the contract value with Durham. Therefore, changes will achieve net-zero increase for bussing contract renewal.
- State law requires bussing at 2-mile distance; however, the district policy uses 1.5 miles to determine bussing at the elementary level.



Key Assumptions:

The following factors were the prioritized to the extent reasonably possible:

- Building populations will reflect the district average demographic.
- Building populations will fall at or below the average acceptable size based on Capacity Study.
- Limit the number of families impacted
- Utilize main thoroughfares, railroads, and geographic landforms as boundary lines
- All remaining elementary buildings will share the responsibility for supporting families impacted by the closures



DCSD Elementary Schools

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 8745

Average Cap: 8234

Min Cap: 7732

Projected Statistics:

Enrollment: 7265

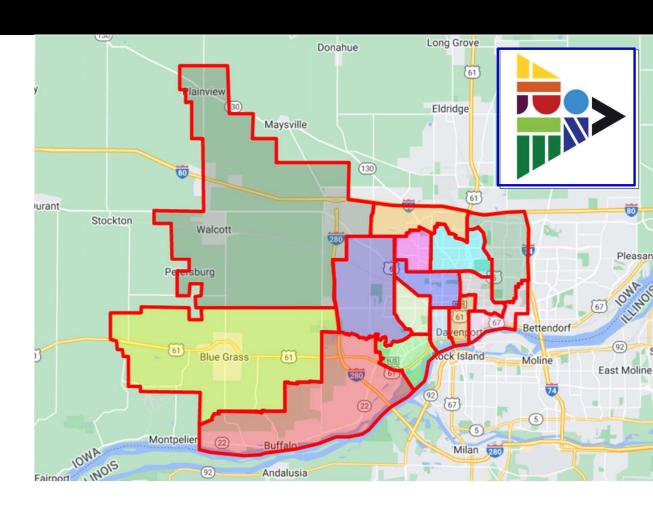
Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 34%Low SES: 66%

Notable:

 Neighborhoods moving into the attendance zone

 Neighborhoods no longer in the attendance zone



North Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 2380

Average Cap: 2241

Min Cap: 2104

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 2111

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 33%Low SES: 67%

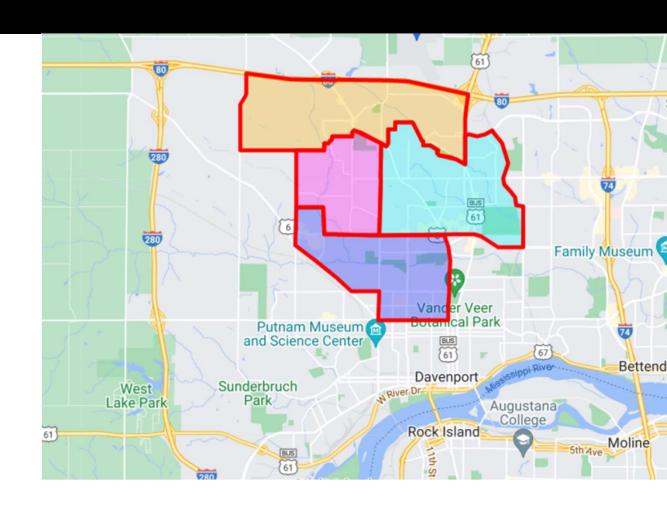
Elementary Buildings:

Adams Elementary School

Fillmore Elementary School

Harrison Elementary School

Truman Elementary School



Adams Elementary - North Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 654

Average Cap: 615

Min Cap: **578**

Projected Statistics:

Enrollment: 615

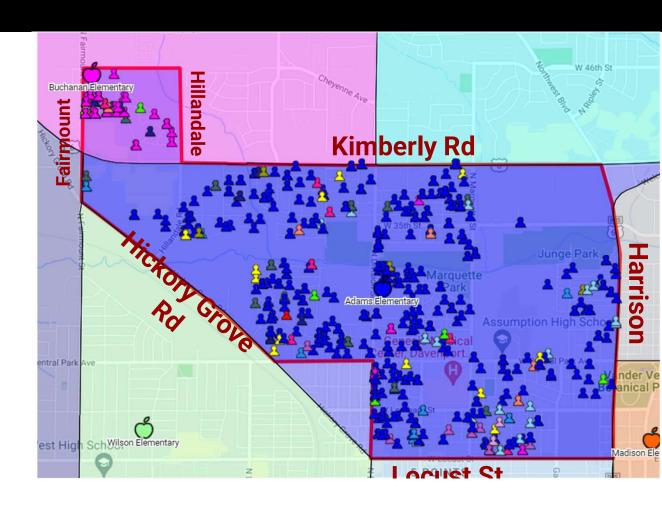
Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 31%Low SES: 69%

Notable:

 Neighborhood from Buchanan to Adams

 Neighborhood from Adams to Wilson



Fillmore Elementary - North Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 550

Average Cap: 515

o Min Cap: **486**

Projected Statistics:

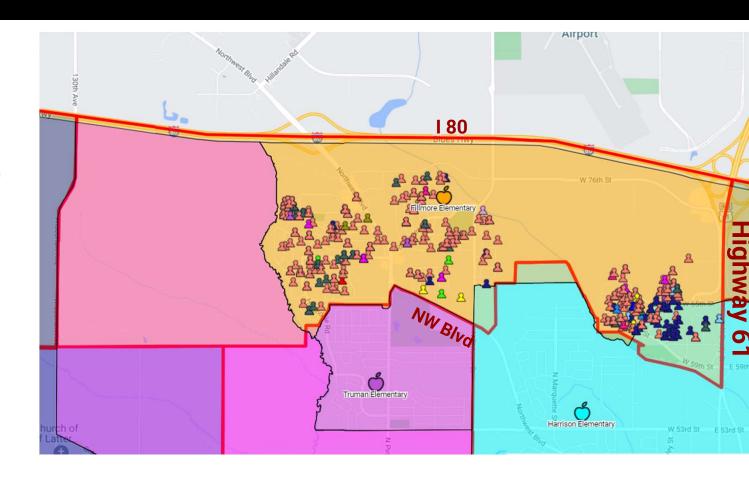
o Enrollment: 485

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 22%Low SES: 78%

Notable:

 Neighborhood from Harrison to Fillmore



Harrison Elementary - North Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 656

Average Cap: 618

o Min Cap: **580**

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: **558**

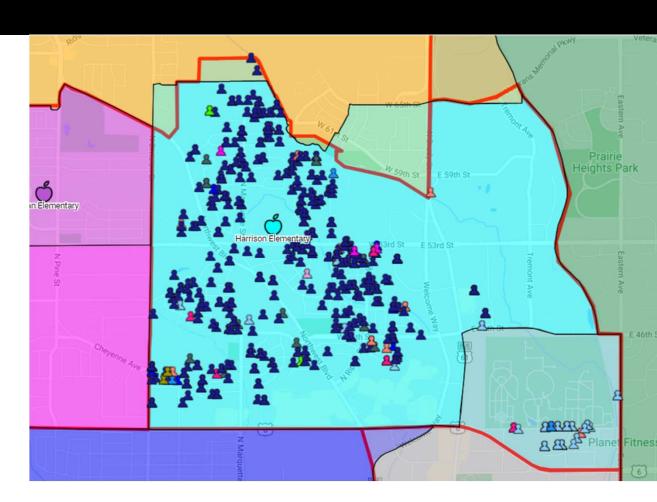
Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 48%Low SES: 52%

Notable:

 Neighborhood from Harrison to Fillmore

 Neighborhood from Garfield to Harrison



Truman Elementary - North Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 520

Average Cap: 490

Min Cap: 460

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 490

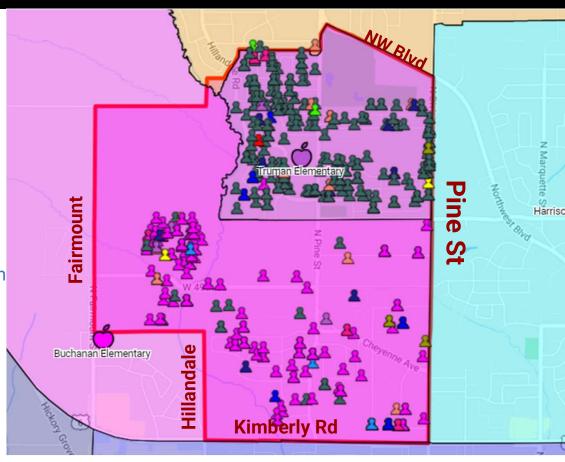
Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 29%Low SES: 71%

Notable:

Multiple Buchanan Neighborhoods to Truman

 No changes to the borders adjacent to Harrison or Fillmore.



North Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 2380

Average Cap: 2241

Min Cap: 2104

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 2111

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 33%Low SES: 67%

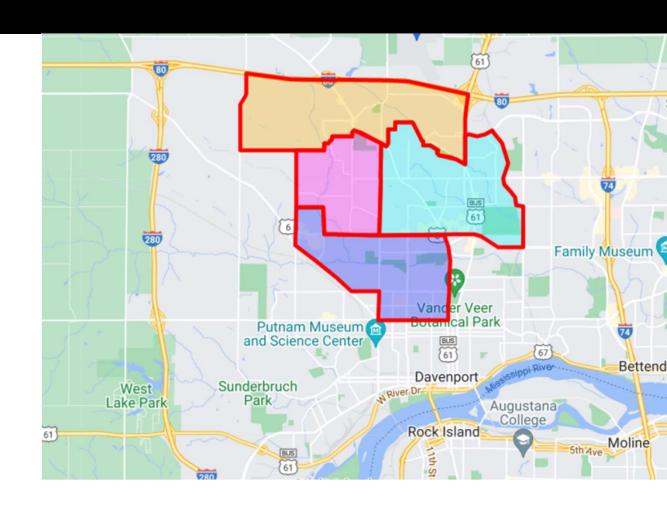
Elementary Buildings:

Adams Elementary School

Fillmore Elementary School

Harrison Elementary School

Truman Elementary School



Central Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 2777

Average Cap: 2614

Min Cap: 2457

Projected Statistics:

Enrollment: 2477

Socio Economic Status (SES)

■ High SES: **31%**

■ Low SES: **69%**

Elementary Buildings:

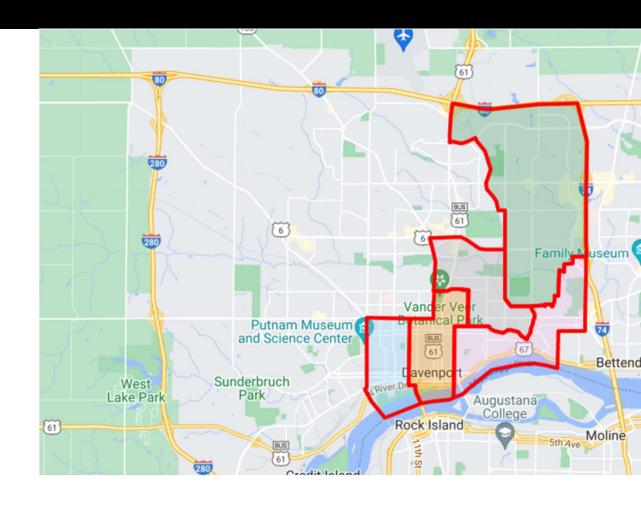
McKinley Elementary School

Eisenhower Elementary School

Garfield Elementary School

Madison Elementary School

Jefferson Elementary School



McKinley Elementary - Central Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 550

Average Cap: 518

Min Cap: 486

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 506

Socio Economic Status (SES)

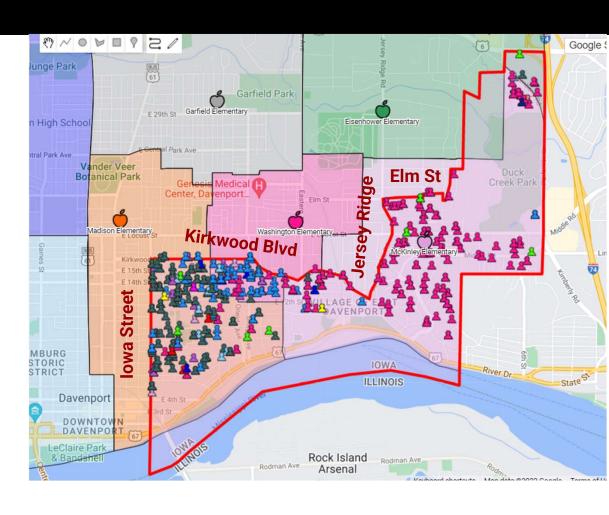
High SES: 34%Low SES: 66%

Notable:

Madison Neighborhood to McKinley

Garfield Neighborhood to McKinley

McKinley Neighborhood to Garfield



Eisenhower Elementary - Central Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 577

Average Cap: 543

Min Cap: **510**

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: **506**

Socio Economic Status (SES)

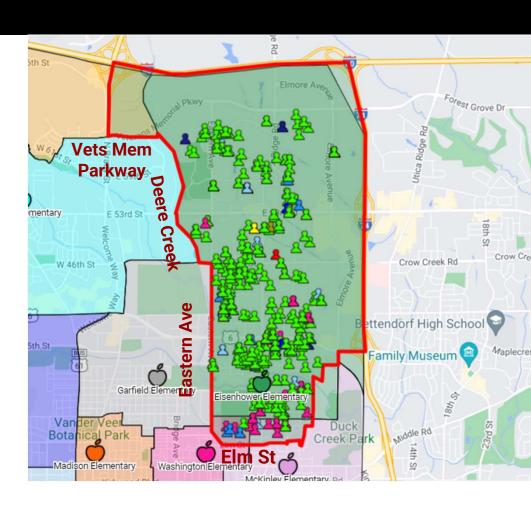
High SES: 34%Low SES: 66%

Notable:

Washington Neighborhood to Eisenhower

Fillmore Property to Eisenhower

McKinley Neighborhood to Eisenhower



Garfield Elementary - Central Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 577

Average Cap: 543

Min Cap: **510**

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: **506**

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 34%Low SES: 66%

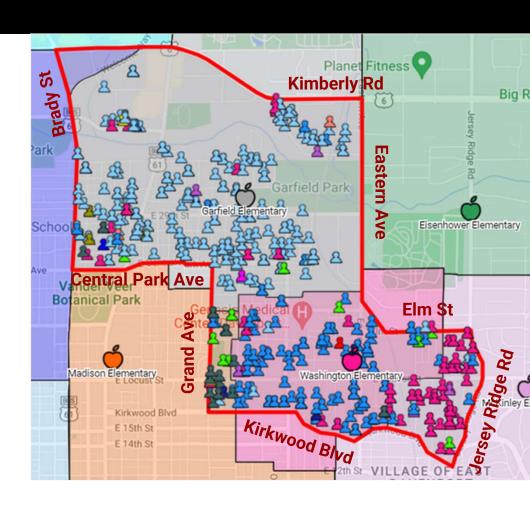
Notable:

Washington Neighborhood to Garfield

Madison Neighborhood to Garfield

Garfield Neighborhood to Madison

Garfield Neighborhood to Harrison



Madison Elementary - Central Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 523

Average Cap: 492

Min Cap: 462

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 474

Socio Economic Status (SES)

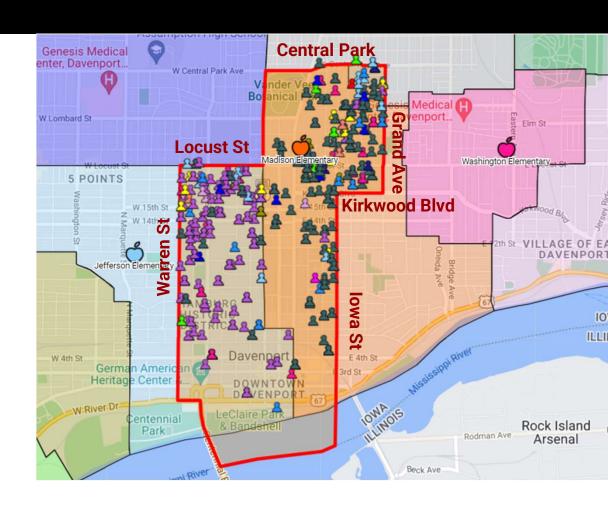
High SES: 16%Low SES: 84%

Notable:

Jefferson Neighborhood to Madison

Madison Neighborhood to McKinley

Madison Neighborhood to Garfield



Jefferson Elementary - Central Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 550

Average Cap: 518

Min Cap: 486

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 437

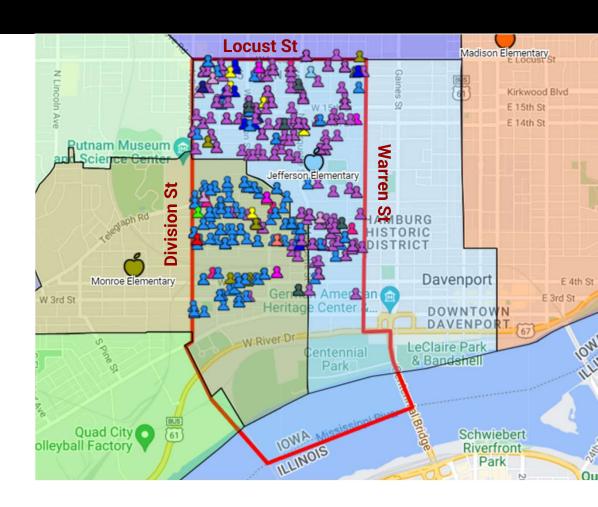
Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 12%Low SES: 88%

Notable:

Monroe Neighborhood to Jefferson

Jefferson Neighborhood to Madison



Central Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 2777

Average Cap: 2614

Min Cap: 2457

Projected Statistics:

Enrollment: 2477

Socio Economic Status (SES)

■ High SES: **31%**

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Elementary Buildings:

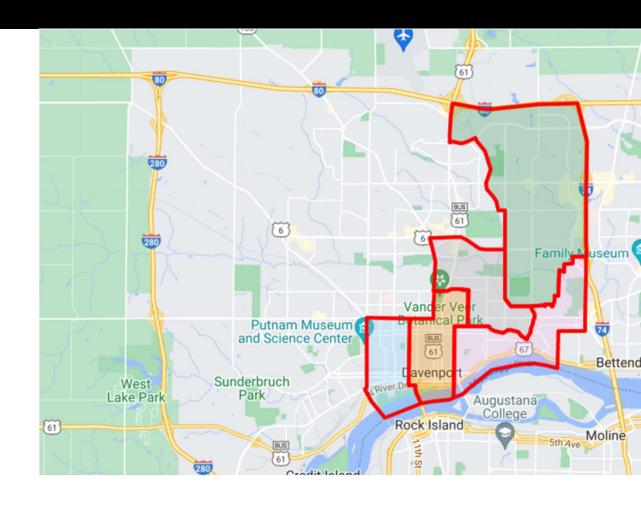
McKinley Elementary School

Eisenhower Elementary School

Garfield Elementary School

Madison Elementary School

Jefferson Elementary School



West Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 3038

Average Cap: 2861

o Min Cap: **2688**

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 2235

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 37%Low SES: 63%

Elementary Buildings:

Walcott Elementary School

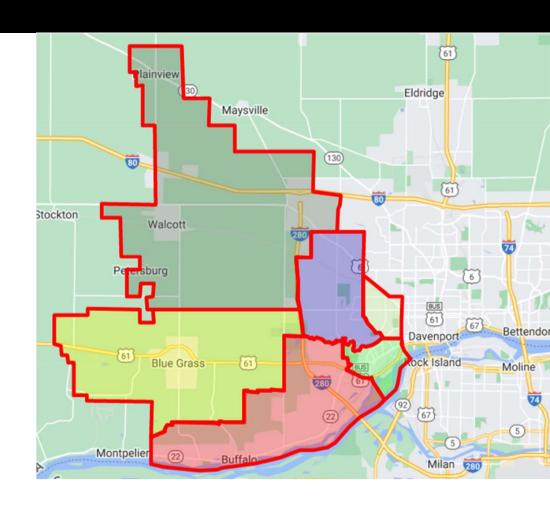
Blue Grass Elementary School

Buffalo Elementary School

Jackson Elementary School

Hayes Elementary School

Wilson Elementary School



Blue Grass Elementary - West Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 550

Average Cap: 518

o Min Cap: **486**

Projected Statistics:

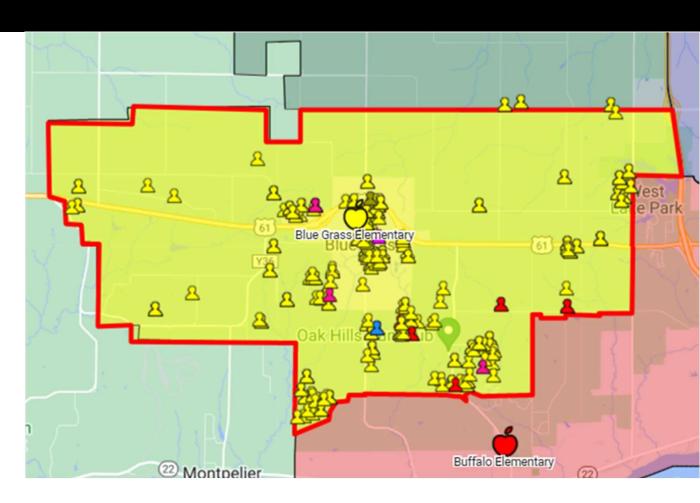
o Enrollment: 318

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 74%Low SES: 26%

Notable:

No Boundary Changes



Buffalo Elementary - West Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 466

Average Cap: 439

Min Cap: 412

Projected Statistics:

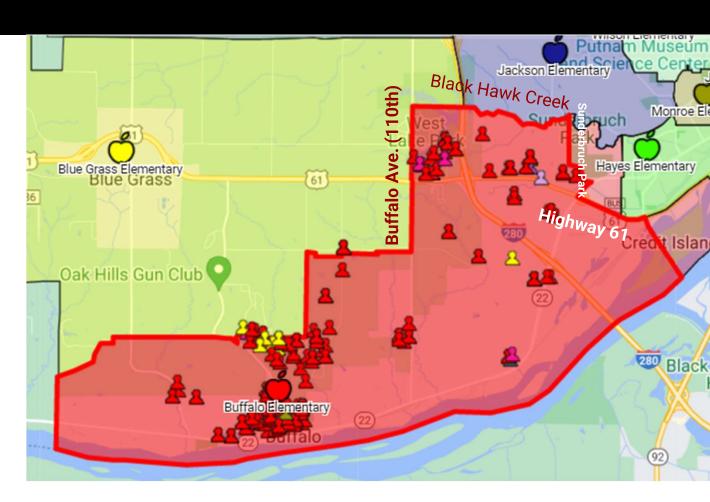
o Enrollment: 237

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 47%Low SES: 53%

Notable:

 Buffalo Neighborhood to Hayes



Walcott Elementary - West Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: ???

Average Cap: ???

Min Cap: ???

Projected Statistics:

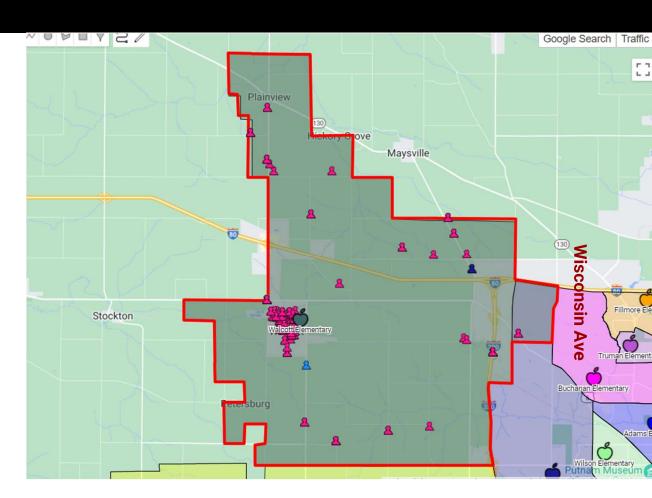
Enrollment: 176

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 48%Low SES: 52%

Notable:

 Eastern boundary moved east to Wisconsin Ave



Hayes Elementary - West Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 621

Average Cap: 585

Min Cap: 555

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 424

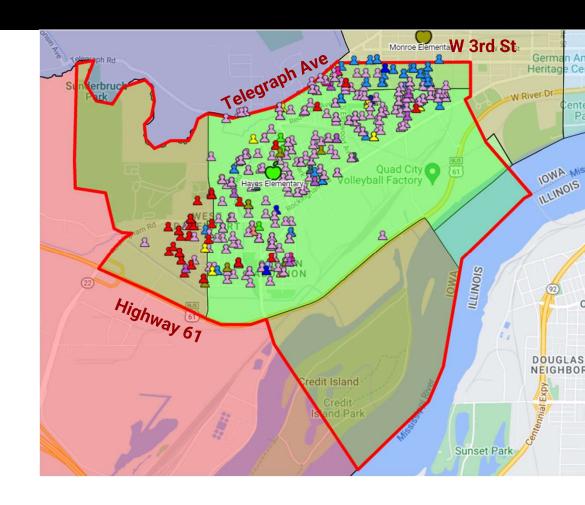
Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 19%Low SES: 81%

Notable:

Monroe neighborhood to Hayes

Buffalo neighborhood to Hayes



Jackson Elementary - West Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 606

Average Cap: 571

Min Cap: **536**

Projected Statistics:

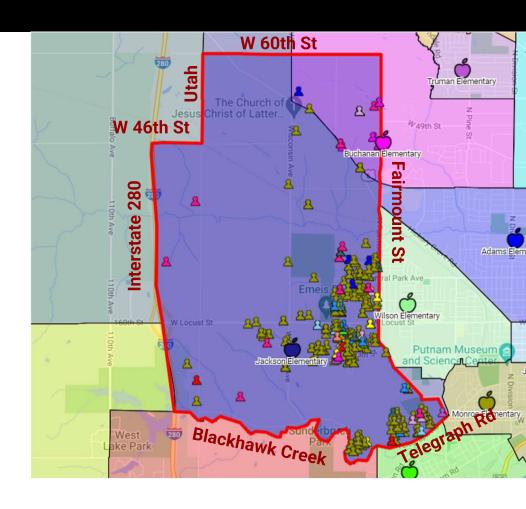
o Enrollment: 451

Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 28%Low SES: 72%

• Notable:

Buchanan Neighborhood to Jackson



Wilson Elementary - West Region

Capacity Study

Max Cap: 708

Average Cap: 666

Min Cap: 626

Projected Statistics:

o Enrollment: 618

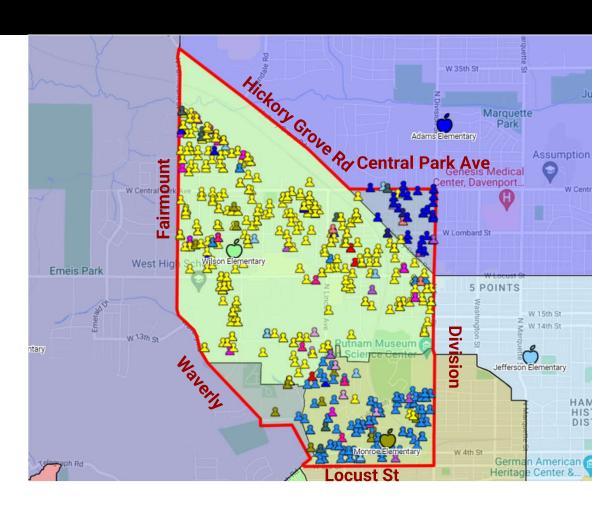
Socio Economic Status (SES)

High SES: 27%Low SES: 73%

Notable:

Adams Neighborhood to Wilson

Monroe Neighborhood to Wilson



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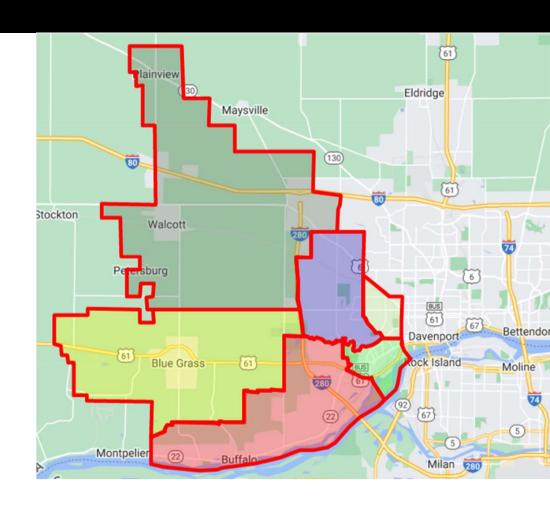
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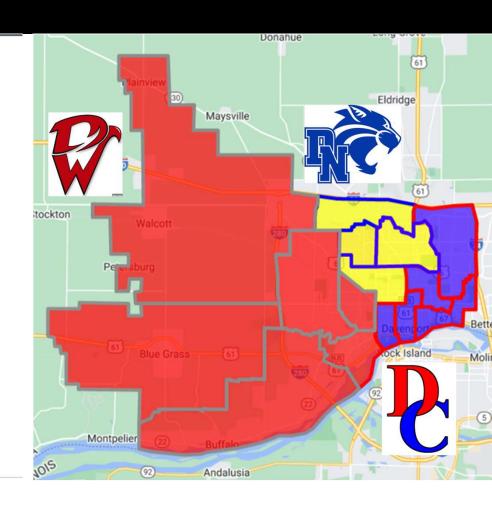
DCSD Elementary Schools

Capacity Study:

		<u>Central</u>	<u>North</u>	<u>West</u>
0	Max Cap:	2777	2380	3038
0	Average Cap:	2614	2241	2861
0	Min Cap:	2454	2104	2688

Projected Statistics:

		<u>Central</u>	<u>North</u>	<u>West</u>
0	Enrollment:	2477	2111	2224
0	High SES:	31%	33%	37%
0	Low SES:	69%	67%	63%



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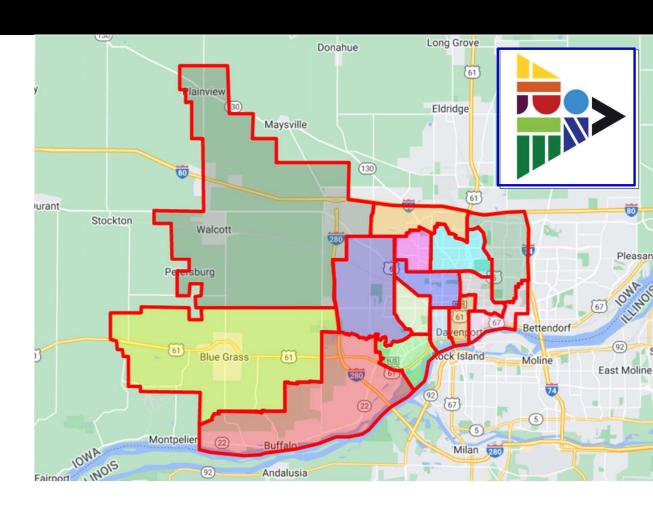
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Elementary School Building Closures

	Minimum			
		CAPACITY RANGE MINIMUM	PROJECTED ENROLLMENT	OVER (UNDER) CAPACITY
"	Adams Elementary	578	566	(12)
	Eisenhower Elementary	510	508	(2)
5	Fillmore Elementary	486	492	6
Schools	Garfield Elementary	486	407	(79)
5	Harrison Elementary	580	548	(32)
	Hayes Elementary	550	477	(73)
<u></u>	Jackson Elementary	536	336	(200)
)ţ	Jefferson Elementary	486	485	(1)
je	Madison Elementary	462	441	(21)
7	McKinley Elementary	486	517	31
Elementary	Truman Elementary	460	470	10
_	Wilson Elementary	626	613	(13)

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	Maximum	CAPACITY RANGE MAXIMUM	PROJECTED ENROLLMENT	OVER (UNDER) CAPACITY
"	Adams Elementary	653	566	(87)
	Eisenhower Elementary	576	508	(68)
5	Fillmore Elementary	549	492	(57)
Schools	Garfield Elementary	549	407	(142)
ਹ	Harrison Elementary	655	548	(107)
	Hayes Elementary	620	477	(143)
<u></u>	Jackson Elementary	605	336	(269)
Elementary	Jefferson Elementary	549	485	(64)
je	Madison Elementary	522	441	(81)
T)	McKinley Elementary	549	517	(32)
Ĭ	Truman Elementary	519	470	(49)
	Wilson Elementary	707	613	(94)
	Total	7,053	5,860	(1,193)

- Data to be finalized after final boundary change completed
- Capacity and enrollment information based upon 2022-2023 enrollment
- Buffalo, Blue Grass, and Walcott not considered for change at this time



Sixth Grade Move to Middle Schools

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Smart Junior High School Sudlow Junior High School Williams Junior High School Wood Junior High School Total

CAPACITY RANGE MINIMUM	PROJECTED ENROLLMENT*	OVER (UNDER) CAPACITY
894	567	(327)
789	786	(3)
636	696	60
681	713	32
3,000	2,762	(238)

*	Data to be
	finalized after final
	boundary change
	completed

Capacity and enrollment information based upon 2022-2023 enrollment

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Smart Junior High School Sudlow Junior High School Williams Junior High School Wood Junior High School Total

CAPACITY RANGE MAXIMUM	PROJECTED ENROLLMENT*	OVER (UNDER) CAPACITY
1,037	567	(470)
919	786	(133)
743	696	(47)
757	713	(44)
3,456	2,762	(694)

CAPACITY	
(470)	
(133)	
(47)	
(44)	
(694)	

STRATEGY FOR TRANSITION



Transition: Points of Discussion

- Transition planning has commenced with leadership cabinet and principals
- Initial boundary changes have been reviewed and discussed
- Planning for Transition to include:
 - Communication plan for students/families, and staff
 - Communication applies to entire district at elementary level due to boundary changes
 - New building tours and orientation programs
 - Counseling opportunities for students/families
 - Include students/families/staff in current events at new buildings
 - Staff development needed to plan for changes to occur
 - Ceremonies for closing buildings



Staffing: Points of Discussion

- Traditional hiring has approximately 100 positions per year
- Washington, Monroe, Buchanan currently have 67 teachers
- All staff will be utilized during transition
- There will be no reductions in staff because of closures
- Through natural attrition, efficiencies will be realized as district moves forward



Supports: Points of Discussion

- District Leadership Cabinet and Principals have identified potential needs for buildings due to closures:
 - Administrative needs
 - Behavior support
 - Special Education
 - Counselor support
 - · Staff retention and hiring
 - Space needs and remodeling
 - Teacher compensation
 - AEA staff



COSTS AND EXPENSES





Points of Discussion

General Fund

- Estimated bussing impact drivers and routes
- Operational efficiencies to occur through staff attrition:
 - Teachers Secretaries Custodians Administrators
 - Currently Paras and FNS are understaffed

Total: Estimated annual cost savings of over \$1,000,000



Points of Discussion

SAVE/PPEL

- Estimated bussing impact vehicles
- · Operational savings per each building

Building Name	Annual Savings	Amount Over 20 Years
Buchanan	\$184,588.10	\$3,691,762.00
Monroe	\$219,144.45	\$4,382,889.00
Washington	\$213,245.92	\$4,264,918.40

Avoided expense for deferred maintenance

Building Name	Projected Expense
Buchanan	\$2,120,600
Monroe	\$11,570,800
Washington	\$9,057,000

Saved funds can be re-distributed to remaining buildings in district



DISCUSSION





THANK YOU



