### BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REDISTRICTING INITIATIVE

# SUPERINTENDENT'S PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREA BOUNDARIES TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### <u>PURPOSE</u>

To publically present the final proposed school attendance area boundary adjustments to the Board of Education prepared by the Superintendent and his Technical **Advisory Committee (STAC)** 

### **AUTHORITY**

- The Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article 13, Section 4-109 (c), Geographical attendance areas provides the sole authority for local boards of education to establish public school attendance area boundary lines:
  - "With the advice of the county superintendent, the county board shall determine the geographical attendance area for each school established under this section."
- Board of Education of Harford County establishes the Policies and Procedures for <u>Aligning Enrollment With</u> <u>Capacity</u> (20-0036-000) and <u>Adjustment of School</u> <u>Attendance Boundary Lines</u> (20-0041-000)

### **GOALS**

GOAL	MET	UNMET
PROVIDE RELIEF FOR PROSPECT MILL ES AND THE ADJACENT SCHOOLS IN ITS REGION	CVES - 99.2% FHES - 94.1% FLES - 96.3% FGES - 96.5% HES 97.6% PMES -93.8% YBES - 99.7%	
DEVELOP THE NEW ATTENDANCE AREA FOR RED PUMP ES	96.9%	
PROVIDE RELIEF FOR EMMORTON ES	97.4%	
BALANCE ENROLLMENT WITH CAPACITY IN REMAINING ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TO 85%- 95% CAPACITY	55% = 85% - 95% 94% = 85% - 99% 100% = < 100% o	cap

### **PROCESS/METHODOLOGY**

- In February 2010, the STAC began meeting to develop the proposed plan
- In August 2010 STAC completed its proposed plan
- In September 2010 the proposed plan was shared with the elementary school principals
- In November 2010 the proposed plan was presented to the 32 Focus Groups and was published and disseminated to the general public
- On November 29, 2010 the proposed plan was presented to the general public and to the Board of Education
- Public Hearings were held on December 6, 2010; and on January 19, 20, 31, 2011
- In January 2011 STAC published 3 revisions to the original plan
- From November 2010 to February 2011 STAC received and reviewed 26 proposals from the general public

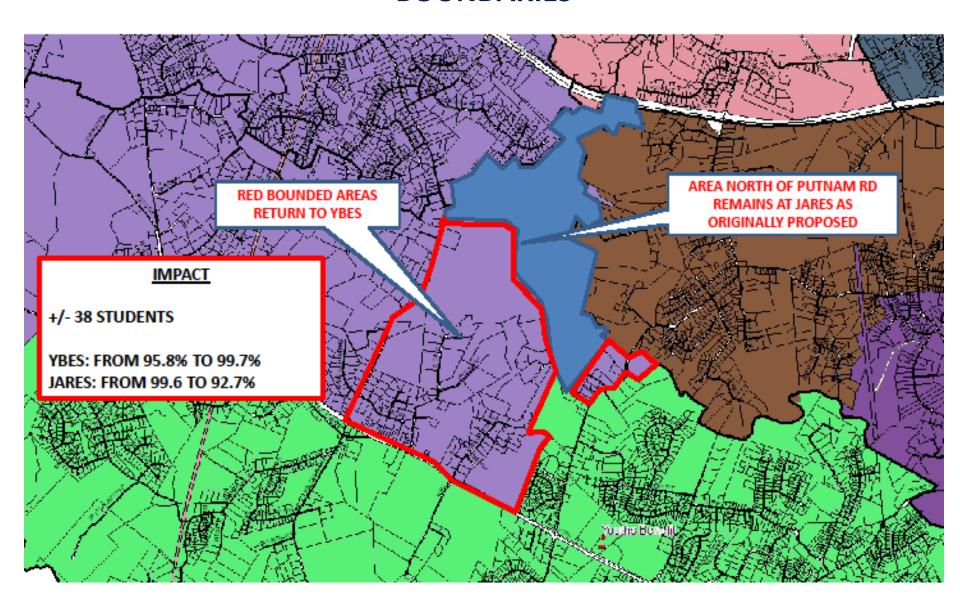
### **IN YOUR PACKETS YOU HAVE ...**

EXHIBIT	DESCRIPTION
1	SEPTEMBER 30, 2010 ENROLLMENT AND PROJECTIONS
2	REVISED COUNTY WIDE PROPOSED PLAN
3	% CAPACITY CHART – PROPOSED PLAN
4	INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PROPOSED BOUNDARIES
5	"FROM –TO" CHART
6	BOUNDARY EXCEPTION CHART
7	SPECIAL PROGRAM CHART
8	NON-RESIDENT CHART
9	RELOCATABLE CLASSROOM PLACEMENT CHART
10	RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION DATA
11	PUBLIC SUBMITTED PROPOSAL MATRIX
12	GRANDFATHERING DATA

# REVIEW FINAL REVISION OF COUNTY MAP

# REVIEW INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL MAPS

## STAC PROPOSED REVISION TO YBES ATTENDANCE AREA BOUNDARIES



# REVIEW PUBLIC SUBMITTED **PROPOSAL** MATRIX

### **CRITICAL ISSUES FOR BOE TO DECIDE**

#### 1. GRANDFATHERING

- 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS ONLY
  - W/TRANSPORTATION?
  - PARENTS PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION?
- 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS AND SIBLINGS
  - W/TRANSPORTATION?
  - PARENTS PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION?
- NO GRANDFATHERING
- IMPACT ON TRANSPORTATION/SENDING/RECEIVING SCHOOLS
- COST IMPACT TO THE SYSTEM

### 2. **BOUNDARY EXCEPTIONS**

- LIBERAL IMPLEMENTATION
- REVISE CURRENT CRITERIA
- HOLD BOUNDARY EXCEPTIONS IN ABEYANCE FOR 1-2 YEARS EXCEPT FOR EXTREME CIRCUMSTANCES

### **CRITICAL ISSUES FOR BOE TO DECIDE**

#### 1. DISCUSSION POINTS FOR GRANDFATHERING 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS

- Current proposal could include approximately 365-400 5<sup>th</sup> graders
- Cost for transportation of only 5h graders would be approximately \$130,000 160,000 (using the Prospect Mill Elementary School 5<sup>th</sup> grade project as a cost model)
- Fourth tier school redistricted siblings could cause multiple busing times for parents:
  - EDES > DEES
  - MAES > DEES
  - HDES > RWES
- Ride times for grandfathered students could well exceed 45 minute bus riding target
- Focus will be on getting students to school on time, with return from school a secondary consideration.
- Current proposal indicates 78 potential 5<sup>th</sup> graders slated for Red Pump

#### • GRANDFATHERING SCENARIOS

- Modified Consolidated Stops
- P.M. Buses would arrive after dismissal (i.e. Magnet buses)
- Dismiss at 4<sup>th</sup> Tier Timing (buses will do double elementary run)
- Grouping multiple schools on one bus (timing issue)
- Only fifth graders
  - » With transportation
  - » Without transportation
  - » With siblings of fifth graders (one year only)
  - » To closest bus stop (as boundary exceptions on a space available basis)
- Transport all Boundary Exceptions as well

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# QUESTIONS, COMMENTS