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Media Release

Hillsboro School District Boundary Adjustment Proposal Approved

New elementary attendance boundaries will take effect in the 2014-15 school year

March 19, 2014, Hillsboro, OR – At their meeting on Tuesday, March 18, Hillsboro School Board members voted unanimously to approve the Boundary Committee’s recommended elementary school attendance boundary adjustment proposal (also known as [Plan #5](#)).

Boundaries were examined within three of the District’s four feeder areas as a result of thirty-six planned, underway or recently-completed housing projects that are anticipated to bring more than 800 students to the District over the next 1-3 years. The process involved the convening of a Boundary Committee, comprised of the principal and at least one parent from each of the affected schools, as well as District staff; and also a planning team, which worked in advance of and in between each Committee meeting to analyze feedback and generate proposals.

After six Committee meetings, five community meetings, and an additional Q&A session, the final boundary adjustment proposal—along with all feedback received—was forwarded to the School Board for their consideration. At the Board meeting on March 18, Chief Financial Officer and leader of the boundary adjustment process, Adam Stewart, presented the plan then Board members asked questions and provided their comments before approving the proposal in a 7-0 vote. All Board members expressed their appreciation for the community’s involvement; the work of Adam, the rest of the planning team, the Boundary Committee, and the affected principals; and the openness, transparency and responsiveness of the process.

Boundary changes will take effect in the 2014-15 school year. Anyone who moves into an area this spring that is slated to switch to a new attendance area may either enroll at the current home school, knowing their student will need to attend the new school in the fall, or may enroll at the new school (please note that transportation will likely not be provided until the fall; contact the Transportation department at 503-844-1123 for additional information).

Students in areas that will be moving attendance boundaries in the fall or who are on a transfer to one of the impacted schools will receive an individualized letter by the end of spring break containing instructions on their options. Students wishing to seek a transfer back to their current home school will need to indicate that and return their paperwork to the Communications office by Friday, April 11.

Anyone who believes they should be receiving a letter but doesn’t by March 31, or who does receive a letter and feels it is in error, is asked to please contact Marleen Zytniowski at 503-844-1771 or zytniowm@hsd.k12.or.us.

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Boundary adjustment information, including maps of the new attendance areas, is available on the [Attendance Boundary Adjustment](#) page of the District’s website at www.hsd.k12.or.us under the Schools drop-down menu.

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