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Media Release

Hillsboro School District to Adjust Attendance Boundaries

New housing units will require modifications to attendance boundaries at some schools

December 17, 2013, Hillsboro, OR – Hillsboro School District will engage in a process to review and adjust attendance boundaries for some of its schools beginning in January 2014.

District staff have been working with City of Hillsboro and Washington County staff to determine the location, size and type of housing developments currently in process within the District’s attendance area. Within the City of Hillsboro there are 32 housing projects underway or recently completed that will result in 2,241 new dwelling units. In unincorporated Washington County, there are 4 housing projects that will result in 630 dwelling units within the District’s attendance area.

Based on formulas used by the Portland State University Population Research Center to project the number of students that can be expected from each type of dwelling unit (single-family home, apartment, condominium, etc.), the District anticipates an increase of approximately 651 elementary school students, 153 middle school students, and 248 high school students. Across the District there is room for the bump in enrollment, however not necessarily in the areas in which the building is occurring.

Therefore, the District will be convening a Boundary Committee to review options for the modification of existing attendance boundaries* to account for the pockets of growth. Staff will create a draft proposal, and will then invite the principal and a parent representative from each impacted school to participate on the Committee. If, during the course of the Committee’s work, it is determined that additional schools will be impacted, those schools will be invited to participate on the Committee as well.

Committee meetings will be open to observation by the public, but public comments will not be taken during the meetings; public comments will be taken during open community meetings that will be held when there are versions of the new boundaries the Committee is ready to put forth. Community members are welcome to submit questions, comments or suggestions in writing at any time during the process by filling out the comment form on the [Attendance Boundary Adjustment](#) page on our website (under “Schools”) or by contacting Chief Financial Officer Adam Stewart at stewart@hsd.k12.or.us.

Reference materials, updates, boundary maps and meeting dates, times, locations and minutes will be available on the [Attendance Boundary Adjustment](#) page on our website, and will also be directly communicated to affected schools.

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*Please note that due to the current enrollment and projected growth in the Orenco attendance area, a desire to not move students multiple times, and proximity to existing attendance boundaries, the recently-completed Baseline Woods development at 205th & Baseline was moved to the Tobias Elementary School attendance area.

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