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<p>*Consider redistrict for 2021 when looking at crosskeys highschool. One big comprehensive plan with larger redistrict</p> <p>*Reconsider Livsey elem students north of Chamblee Tucker, back to Pleasantdale ES</p> <p>Pro for option 1& 2-</p> <p>*Keeping Greater Evansdale neighborhood together (Wembley fores, Nottaway, North Umland)</p> <p>*Traffic patterns - Chamblee Tucker as a natural barrier helps to keep kids safe on commuting to school.</p>	
<p>*To be clear, I am not for either option. It is far too premature to make these drastic changes for students currently attending these schools when much of the data is still in flux - i.e. cross keys changes, super intendent changing next year, overall decline in LS cluster attendance.</p> <p>If we are forced to choose, I believe option 1 is less disruptive for my neighborhood - Embry Hills - which will be split up in option 2. That is problematic!</p> <p>*Embry Hills should be kept in Henderson Mill elementary as the neighborhood has a long tradition in the community. Option 1 is preferable for Embry Hills. Medingh Ct should be considered to stay in Henderson Mill due to its geographic location and direct off shoot of Henderson Mill Road.</p>	
<p>1- how can we eliminate moves by eliminating school choice by geography? 2 - How do your current options affect our diversity numbers by ethnicity? 3 - Will immersion programs prioritize choice by people who actually live in their district?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 19 & 22</i></p>
<p>1) Control of traffic on Northcrest due to new pleasantdale 2) Tiered admittance to schools - nearby homeowners get 1st priority of good programs. 3) Pleasantdale kids should be allowed to go to Henderson Middle Lakeside High. 4) When will the new superintendent coming and will he know the pros and cons of decisions made.</p>	
<p>1) In fill homes - Dekalb needs to slow down 2) Diamond Head has been w/ Oak Grove El. Since its inception 3) Keep OGE 4) Less disruption No chg OGE enrollment will drop without any shifting of students.</p>	

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<p>1) Isn't it better to impact fewer students and school communities during redistricting? 2) Can Pleasantdale be a magnet school to help boost enrollment? 3) Please build a new high school in Pleasantdale!</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 16 & 19</i></p>
<p>1) Oakcliff should remain Theme status to keep community/level of academics</p>	
<p>1) Please consider improving the "product" at P-dale to attract the existing 40+ kids in and around Northcrest. This will help the school establish a solid core group of parents and neighbors for years to come. As it was years ago, before Dekalb made several zoning errors that resulted in a 90+% "apartment" population. Maybe this isn't within your "criteria," but it is smart thinking...</p>	
<p>1)Please don't do this by numbers only. 2)Doraville still needs a new High school That area is going to get more populated soon! Then redistrict! 3)Take into account the new Cross Keys HS in this. With that, don't make it too big. 4)And put it on the other side of 85 IN Cross Keys.</p>	
<p>Are demographics -- socio economic status, race, etc. considered in redrawing of lines to support an even distribution across the cluster or the opposite which is segregation & systemic racism ... the rich keep getting richer the poor keep getting poorer.</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 22</i></p>
<p>Are we leaving room @ Pleasantdale for students that might choose to come back to their neighborhood school?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 5</i></p>
<p>As an embry Hills resident, neither option is acceptable. Geographic proximity/traffic concerns are chief among both options. Traveling 4 miles on Chamblee Tucker during rush hour would be a disaster. We also fear being taken away from Henderson Mill's award-winning STEM programs. Embry Hills has been with HMES for 35 yrs. Don't change!</p>	
<p>Both options - Option 1 - D Option 2 - F both of these options cut through our neighborhood, with my neighbor in another district. This is a big negative - with transportation & a disjointed / not intact neighborhood. What happens if you are right on the line?</p>	

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Can Oakcliff be part of the conversation for those students who attend there bur are in the current Pleasantdale district? What if they want to go back to Pleasantdale, now?	<i>Please see FAQ# 24</i>
CON Both options concentrate Hispanic/Englis as 2nd language students in Pleasantdale Elem - a school w/ chronic low proficiency	
Concern for decreased student enrollment at Evansdale (support for students)	
Currently walk to school from Embry Hills to Henderson Mill is 2 miles Walk to Pleasantdal is 4 miles Embry Hills Resident	
DELAY DELAY DELAY Neither option is viable at this time. Highly recommend waiting at least 1 year before moving so many kids Give Pleasantdale time to grow their Spanish emersion program.	
did the district not go throu Pleasantdale redistricting in 2012 when Livsey, Evansdale & Pleasantdale were redistricted? Why are we revisiting the #s so soon?	<i>Please see FAQ# 26</i>
Ensure students in the school district have first tier access to all magnet, immersion, choice program in their schools. These choice programs should reflect the student body of the school overall.	
Hawthorne Elem. Appears to have 95 students from single family homes and 198 students from multi-family homes (according to the map in the lobby). Option 1 removes 65 neighborhood students in closer proximity to HES to go to other schools, which is wrong.	
Hawthorne Elementary has a dis-proportinate number of students from multi-family homes, compared to some other Lakeside Cluster Feeder Schools. This is wrong. The school district has done a poor job of providing resources for students (not enough translators, etc...)	
Henderson Mill elementary seems unfairly treated in both options. How are students picked for transfer of schools (At random etc)	<i>Please see FAQ# 1</i>
Henderson Mill is the first STEAM school in Georgia. None of the other schools are STEAM certified. Embry Hills Resident	
how does the rebalancing affect student teacher ratios? It seems balancing total school population reduces funding for teaches so it does make classrooms larger	

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<p>-How is OGE projected enrollment decreasing by 81, when it is a high demand school district?</p> <p>-Where did all of the projected enrollments come from?</p> <p>-Why on earth build a 950+ student elem school; TOO BIG. These small children need smaller schools</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 26</i></p>
<p>How is teacher ratio to students + FTE's affected as well as Title 1? I am mostly concerned about keeping current funding at Evansdale.</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 20</i></p>
<p>How is the decision on this going to be impacted by the vote on the GO Bond and the potential merger on Henderson Mill & Hawthorne? Also the redistricting that will happen when the new Cross Keys high school opens?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 21</i></p>
<p>I am very concerned about a street light across from new Pleasantdale. They are a walking death trap. A child will get seriously hurt.</p>	
<p>I do not support option 2, especially the G element. Our neighborhood(Diamond Head area) has always been part of oak grove elem. This will move a very small # of children, including mine who already attend Oak Grove. This breaks up neighborhoods who feed community schools</p>	
<p>I like option 1. As a parent in the Evansdale district, I'm glad that this option will keep the greater Evansdale district remains intact. Moving "area A" back into Pleasantdale makes geographic and community sense. Also, it will be great to reduce overcrowding and get rid of the portable classrooms.</p>	
<p>Important Factors please keep neighborhoods intact please*** Consider geographic proximity traffic seems not considered in #2 henderson Mill two large geographically in #2 # doesn't address Sagamore overcrowding at all.</p>	
<p>In General Might be helpful to know longer term projections for Pleasantdale attendance zone as is. Looking out 2 years is not adequate. What's going to happen in that area? New apartments? More families? "If you build...they will come.?!"</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 5 & 27</i></p>
<p>In my opinion, I hate both. In my neighborhood, it takes 5 min. to get to school. If we choose option one or two. It would take FOREVER! My school would get more trailers, which means kids will get exhausted! They might not want to go to PE. Each day we run about half a mile. I really hate both ideas!</p>	
<p>In option 2, if Leafmore is redistricted to Oakgrove (H) does this mean that they will not be redistricted when Cross Keys opens?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 21</i></p>

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<p>It appears that the district prefers option 1. Option 2 appears to be so disruptive that the public will not favor that option. Provide multiple options that are viable! Option 2 looks gerrymandered.</p>	
<p>It doesn't make sense to do a large redistricting project as a new superintendent search is happening Why??</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 28</i></p>
<p>Keep neighborhoods together! Including when you eventually do High School redistricting/ Some neighborhoods are split up house by house (Sagamore/Oak Grove, tons in the Hawthorne, HMES, etc) We need redistricting across all area to clean up the random neighborhood divisions</p>	
<p>Make Pleasantdale school choice for Spanish immersion - leave seats available. 1) Why is the focus on portables and not community? 2) Why are we not focused on a Doraville cluster? 3) Why is the district no focuseed on strategic redistricting? 4) Livsey should be part of this conversation?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 1, 8, 17, & 23</i></p>
<p>One can't move to Dekalb County and know their children will attend one school consistently. There is toom much inconsistency. Disappointing.</p>	
<p>Option 1 Pro: Getting rid of more trailers in option 1. Option 2 pro: Redistricted neighborhoods won't be redistricted when Cross Keys HS gets built.</p>	

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<p>Option 2 Moving E to HMES concerns me. -ignores safety & traffic patterns -geographic proximity -over time area E may turn from industrial to apartments Northlake Tucker CID overlay encourages apartments in this area.</p>	
<p>Option1? How can you expect parents to Cross I-285 in rush hour traffic from Area B to Area C? Embry Hill Hemberson Mill is 2.5 miles while Pleasantdale is 4 miles Need More Options!</p>	
<p>Option2 Oak Grove/Sagamore swap seems to make sense Randolph Estates could be moved into Briarlake. *Briarcliff acts as a divider *Our kids all so to Twin Lakes pool *would reunite a neighborhood *would be better for traffic & safety *Geo prox *Efficient eco op.</p>	
<p>Please keep neighborhoods intact. Since it's so big + undercrowded, Make Pleasantdale ES a magnet school</p>	
<p>Primary #3 & Secondary #6 How are other school construction and redistricting processes factoring into the Pleasantdale process? If they are not, why not?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 24</i></p>
<p>Pro for option 1: keeps Evansdale community intact. -Again, consider filling seats by advertising Spanish immersion magnet t Pleasantdale -loss of portable classrooms is less important than loss of FTE pts & title 1 funding.</p>	
<p>Questions/comment Why are Pleasantdale and Evansdale even in the Lakeside Cluster when they're on the opposite side of I-285 and closer to Tucker, which is also outside I-285? All of this seems less intended to reduce overcrowding in the neighborhood schools (which is minimal) then to justify the monster 900 - seat Pleasantdale Expansion. People in established DeKalb Do Not Want huge elementary schools.</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 26</i></p>

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<p>Redistricting should be postponed until Crosskeys is opened and the GO Bond is figured out.</p> <p>*Redistricting should wait until we have a superintendent who can plan for the future</p> <p>Have you planned for the recession?</p>	
<p>Spanish immersion program needs to be promoted at Pleasantdale/School choice to help build enrollment in Pleasantdale district!</p>	
<p>Spanish Immersion Program: should be expanded to relieve overcrowding within all the county. Leave room for the program's growth.</p>	
<p>This goes against criteria #5</p>	
<p>This seems like justifying poor planning - overbuilding Pleasantdale ES - with forcing redistricting to paper over mistakes.</p> <p>These plans ignore that focusing on geographical proximity w/out factoring in Interstates bisecting communities destroys intent of geographic planning. Both options ignore commute wors, shopping & neighborhood patterns of Embury Hills.</p> <p>If enrollment is projected to decline, why are we needing bigger schools.</p> <p>Hold off redistricting until high schools are built.</p>	
<p>What happens when an academic downturns and Pleasantdale's apartment dwellers grow? We need to leave room for growth.</p>	
<p>When are we going to get final map of these changes?</p> <p>After this redistricting when will the Cross Keys redistricting happen?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 21</i></p>
<p>Why in the world is a 900+ capacity school being built in one of the most traffic congested area of greater Atlanta? (where more people will have to cross highways)</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 26</i></p>
<p>Why is 285 not a boundary for this change?</p> <p>I live inside the perimeter and have to cross it under this change.</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 6</i></p>
<p>Why is option 2 breaking up neighborhoods?</p>	
<p>Why is the actual travel path not being used for the distance adaptations?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 3</i></p>
<p>Why is the Westwood off Chamblee Tucker neighborhood not being pulled back into the Pleasantdale/Lakeside group out of Livsey/Tucker.</p> <p>This is just a small area</p> <p>Option 1& 2</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 23</i></p>
<p>Why isn't Oakcliff Theme School included in this conversation?</p> <p>Leave room growth at Pleasantdale = economic down turn.</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 24</i></p>
<p>Why not gain back what was taken by Livsey from Pleasantdale and also the apartments on Old Chamblee-Tucker Rd?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 23</i></p>

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<p>Will there be projecetions in place for area subject to redistricting during this "Pleasantdale process" from future redistricting plans?</p> <p>Will any additional elementary schools be subject to additional students/losing students with this redistricting plan?</p>	<p><i>Please see FAQ# 21</i></p>
<p>Word is many will return once a new large bldg is built.</p> <p>Oakcliff Theme School: Currently 150 Pleasantdale zoned students go to the theme school. There is a good cnahce many will return to pleasantdale and we need to consider leaving room for those students.</p>	
<p>Your numbers are wrong for projected enrollment for 2021. How can you expect us to take this seriously with these numbers.</p> <p>-Consider Lakeside, Globe, Hawthorne and Briarlake Elem traffic along Shallowford & Briarcliff - is awful. Do not move D to BES in Opt. 1</p>	