

Comments	Response
<p>"No change" @ Austin - is it really starting w/7 portable? How will new developments like High Street be considered? Currently DES, which is ver overcrowded. Can Hightower change MS & High school to Chamblee/Doraville? To avoid split feeder issue have High Point go "all in" for Doraville. In the no chg scenarios - why are there 7 portable for Austin?? Are there 7 at the "Old school" and you're projecting 7 for new school w/2021 enrollment is 100 less than capacity?</p>	<p>Please see FAQ# 34</p>
<p>*This will solve all problems Part I Based on 2019 portable classroom numbers, why reduce the amount of portables currently in place? All schools are close, if not over, capacity. Add portable to Kingsley(at least 10) Add portables to Chesnut(4-5) Add portables to Austin to provide relief to Vanderlyn & Dunwoody Elem The portables added can provide relief to all schools with the exception of Austin. This will allow some of the schools to be below capacity. Separate the large apartment complexes and accept more whole neighborhoods into single schools Forecasting based on developments in place seem underestimated @ perimeter mall area and @ Dunwoody Village</p>	
<p>1) How often do these re-districting decisions have to happen in the county? Every so many years? How many?</p>	<p>Please see FAQ# 21</p>
<p>1) Let go of no split feeders. There is room south of Dunwoody in middle & High that need to be used. We need that space & we lose funds by having so many open seats. 2) Idea of moving Kittredge to D'ville United. Can 320 (4th & 5th) students fit there given the growth projected in Doraville? Where would 6th graders go (!20)? Make more magnets. The demand is there AND the program is consistently getting awarded, noted as exemplary.</p>	<p>Please see FAQ# 32</p>
<p>3) Make DCSD great again!</p>	
<p>1) Number of students walking to Vanderlyn will have a much tougher time walking to Kingsley with Option 3 1) Why is Hightower ES to Doraville (option 3) not an option for 1 or 2. 2) We need to build a new school. 3) These numbers at the elementary level are still affecting the Middle school & High School, which are way overcrowded.</p>	
<p>1) Why would option 3 will be considered? So many students are affected.</p>	

1) How can residents participate democratically in the redistricting process (i.e. we should be given the right to vote on this)?

Please see FAQ# 6

1. The redistricting is based off of what seems flawed data. Should we not hold off this exercise until the school opens given that we're doing this so late?

2. Option 3 concerns for section D.

i) Disrupt the community

ii) Split feeders

iii) Disruptive traffic patterns

1. What is basis for new school "bump" number that equals 100 students for new Austin school.

Please see FAQ# 35

2. Number of portables seem wrong for New Austin

3. Will 7-year forecast account for 3900 new residences

4. Review feeder zones to relief future overcrowding of MS & HS

10 I didn't vote.

1. Chesnut section D moves 43 kids

a. Don't split neighborhoods Dunwoody North

b. increases traffic pattern

c. Chesnut has falling capacity

d. who are the staff making decision

3. Why move (D) in option 3 to then have a split feeder alignment issue?

1. Why would you move Oxford Chase to Kingsley when it will 1.5x the commute cause more traffic on Mt. Vernon Hwy and make it no longer possible for students to walk or bike and it's no safe (due to the left turn)?

2. Why mess up an intact neighborhood for minimal relief (Oxford Chase)?

5. Intact neighborhoods

By redistricting section D in Option 1, redistricting section D in Option 2, and redistricting section F in Option 3, you are separating communities, neighborhood, a family! Chesnut is half run and funded by families who you are proposing to uproot. Where are they going to replace these parents who have put in blood, sweat and tears into this school. I live off of Andover Drive and every option moves us to Kingsley. Please do not sever our community! Leave these sections to Chesnut Elementary! Each option screws UR! Where is option 4? Please leave us in our neighborhood!

Additional Elementary schools.

After all of this tension, how will you bring Region 1 back together?

ALL

3 options give new development to Dunwoody Elementary - 3,900 residences at park at Perimeter Center East and High Street development. DES is already overcrowded, NO place for these new students.

All options seemed to be highly flawed and will not elevated overcrowding at any of the schools long term.

Please see FAQ# 26

What steps are the county taking to develop a long term solution of new schools for the district?

All portables should be really good quality and include restrooms for a safety issue. This is the problem. Don't put kids in second rate facilities make the trailers NICE!

All three options fail to distribute the multifamily homes west of Ashford Dunwoody to Austin. This area has massive future development planned and this has not been included in the DES projections.

All three options split Chesnut Dunwoody North Civic Asso. Neighborhood in 1/2. We ask you keep this neighborhood in tact. Keep them all at Chesnut ES.

We are happy to keep portables to keep the neighborhood intact.

Are new schools being considered?

Please see FAQ# 26

Are there any considerations for making the schools bigger so that no students need to be redistricted?

Please see FAQ# 26

Austin did not pick up enough territory in perimeter ctr area to relieve DES

Projected growth not accounted for in an overcrowded school (DES)

Austin Elementary must get trailers!

Austin needs to take some kids from Dunwoody Elementary. We have over 10 trailers now!

Austin should absolutely open with portable classrooms to help the district in balancing Dunwoody schools. For planning related to middle school and high school option 3 should hold and then new Doraville United should remain in the Chamblee cluster.

Austin should grow East. Why is Austin map the smallest geographic space, when in terms of school capacity it is similar to Dunwoody Ele?

Build a new school for Perimeter Center area.

Redistrict entire school district shift south.

Build another school in the perimeter area.

Can we see private school attendees on maps to factor in an economic recession and kids coming to public school?

Please see FAQ# 5

Can you not split up Dunwoody North neighborhood please?

Cascading redistricting is essential to the overcrowding issues that exist in the Dunwoody cluster!!

The cascading must happen in Elem through High School!!

Chesnut Elementary:

In all options nDunwoody North neighborhood is split with students moving to Kingsley. Please keep Dunwoody North Civic Association intact. www.dunwoodydc.org

chesnut is losing a large portion of their families that they depend on for financing the school and volunteering. They should stay together.

Cluster as a whole too overcrowded need to continue relief in MS & High Sch.! Please see FAQ# 5

District has no clue the correct growth rate

What is 7 year projection in current options presented

Comment

Please see FAQ# 26

1- Old Austin school should be rebuilt to fix the problem of portable classrooms.

Can we rebuild old Austin?

Concerns about walking paths/sidewalks to Austin.

Cons of Option A, B, & C does not take into account projected growth for DES in currently planned developments (E.g. High Street, Park @ Perimeter Center East)

I prefer option 3 it provides relief to the whole cluster, w/ option 1 as my second choice. Option 2 is the worst option. Option 2 appears to primarily benefit only 1 school.

In all options, I think the move of section A helps DES a lot. This idea to pull from the area south of the current Austin zone meets the geographical proximity & safety/traffic patterns. Ideally, pulling from further south on the west side of Ashford Dunwoody could help provide more relief for DES, particularly given areas of projected growth in the New Park at Perimeter Center East and High Street developments.

CONS OPTION 1,2,3

In all 3 options Chesnut ES is the most affected. Half of the neighborhood will be lost. Walk to school, pool activities will be eliminated. Keep DN together.

Consider new school placement?

consider the amount of students that will move into the 80 townhomes in Dunwoody village.

Consider the developments West of Ashford Dunwoody -- Move this area to Austin ES to make future growth more equitable.

Add portables to Austin to make the other school common spaces less crowded - specifically at DES!

DES does not get enough relief. It's projected enrollment is not accounted for and its instructional capacity will be very negatively affected. Austin needs to take more area by Perimeter Center & take more multi family neighborhoods where the growth is projected. option 3 does the best job but not enough.

DES is predicted to grow fastest and its been growing the fastest as well!
We need to modify the option 3 to make it innovative but impact the families less.
Can we move the entire neighborhood of H to Doraville United?

DES is projected to have the most long term growth. None of the 3 plans co sider this growth. Where is the plan that considers this growth?

Displace fewest students while using least number of trailers.

Do your numbers take into consideration the special education classrooms moving from Kingsley ES to Austin ES? Please see FAQ# 4

I belive there are 4 classrooms that have moved, therefore increasing the number of available seats.

Don't split Dunwoody north!

This adds an extra mile to our distance we walk to school.

Dunwoody as a whole needs a better plan for overcrowding. County wide problem.

Dunwoody elementary -

1. Covered walkways to portables
2. Lunches start at 10 am due to overcrowding.
3. Have City of Dunwoody stop approving building apartments in DES areas.
4. Build magnet school on old Shallowford School grounds near Georgetown Park.

Dunwoody North neighborhood is being divided in ALL options. This disrupts and goes against the stated criteria.

Chesnut's capacity is understated by appx 100 seats

Focus on equitable distribution across all schools. Option 3 best addresses this.

Cosider potential growth and start planning for another new school now.

Kee Dunwoody North neighborhood together.

Focus: Biggest impact on ENTIRE cluster

For option 3 - Area H - Hightower students to Doraville: Why would they come back to Dunwoody cluster for middle/HS? Please see FAQ# 34

This is a good option but only if they remain in Chamblee cluster

This alleviates Ptree/DHS overcrowding and MUCH less disruptive for students moving

For option 3:

Keep region D with Vanderlyn School.

No complete side walks and crossing to Kingsley. No safety to walk

Hightower parents were not outreached/invited to be a part of Cross Keys North meetings where re-districting to Chamblee cluster took place (only to Dunwoody meetings)

Neither did DCSD nor did HES principal communicate this to us.

Option 3 con: breaks up Hightower community into 2 diff - clusters.

How are the Kingsley Special Ed #s accounted for in the charts?

In option 3, any kids moved to new Doraville United should feed into other clusters

No option presented address organic growth across the cluster

PRO!! All options leave the current Austin footprint intact

How can you explain Chesnut's falling capacity?

Please see FAQ# 4

We have the same # of instructional classes this year as last. Capacity should show as 430, not 358 & the number has changed since Round 1 - gone down.

How did DES' projected 2021 enrollment change from 1413 (per DCSD 11/29/18 paper) to 1265 (shown today)? Where did those 148 kids go?

Please see FAQ# 5

How do you calculate the "new school bump" that is predicted to be 100 students at Austin? That seems very high!

Please see FAQ# 35

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How do you justify Chesnut's falling school capacity?

Please see FAQ# 4

We have the same # of MID classes. This year as last year, so instructional capacity should be static from 2018 to 2019 - 430 not 358!

Also, it changed from Round 1 (394) to Round 2 (358)

How does the recent increase of students in special education to Kingsley Elementary impact the use of classroom capacity? They need more space for less students and a lot more staff per students.

Please see FAQ# 4

How does this support the long term plan to address projected growth for DES?

Please see FAQ# 25 & 26

How can the old Austin be utilized?

What is the long term plan to address overcrowding at Peachtree

Middle and Dunwoody HS?

How is projected enrollment for the 3,900 new residences in DES district being considered?

Please see FAQ# 5

900 - Park Perimeter Ctr. East

3,000 - High Street

How is the projected enrollment calculated? Is the city of Dunwoody engaged when calculating projection counts?

Please see FAQ# 5

How many students from the Dunwoody cluster could Doraville United ES support? Please see FAQ# 34

Is the 106 students moved in Option 3 the absolute max allowed or could we move more students over?

Also, can a portion of Hightower ES students be annexed fully into the Chamblee HS cluster?

How was a 100 student new school bump determined? That is a 13% increase. What data supports that large of an increase? Please see FAQ# 35

I don't understand why there needs to be a change of 43 students from Chesnut to Kingsley and split up Dunwoody North Homeowner's Association. It's unrelated to the Austin expansion.

I have a rising 4th grader in Year 2020. I am concerned changing school has any impact how she has studied at one school for 4 years. Is there any option, any one who wants to stay. He or she can do that? It's not only about # I am concerned the quality of education.

I hope for the best interest of Hightower

I like the process of thinking about filling other district's seats crossing 285 is a rough option.

Please look to traffic patterns/congestions along w/neighborhoods staying together. Consider another new school.

I ran the Bike/walk to school program at Vanderlyn. Oxford Chase (Option 3-D) is safer to go to Vanderlyn & take a right on Mt. Vernon. There is a flashing crosswalk at Stratum Dr & Mt. Vernon for safe crossing to Vanderlyn. We bike to school and it would be dangerous to bike & take a left on Mt Vernon Rd. N. Peachtree Rd is very dangerous for bikers.

Why move only 35 students in Oxford Chase? No students should move. Not needed.

Kids in Oxford Chase very close to Dunwoody Club Forest kids & you are splitting them up.

I support Option 2 \ Impacts less # of students
New school - no trailers
Relief overcrowding community in 3 schools.
Helps with traffic
Geographical proximity.

I think option 3 is the worst option. It would be horrible to send 106 students to Doraville for elementary, then rips them away from their friends as they enter middle school

Don't cross/split feeder Hightower students!

If Dunwoody ES is growing in number, why other schools are impacted?

If intact neighborhoods and geographic proximity are primary criteria, why was the Dunwoody North neighborhood split up? Please see FAQ# 33

If Kingsley has capacity for over 100 students. Why not send Hightower 70 plus students to Kingsley. (less disruption to children)?
 Why are Chesnut students sent to a school further away? Chesnut is closer for sections(D is option 1 & 2 & F in Option 2)?
 Why give Austin the option of no portables when all other schools will still have portables?
 Is it possible to send the new Carver sub division to Hightower as it is closer than Chesnut & maintain/keep the Dunwood North Communities including current apartments intact?

In all options, Ashworth neighborhood is not in closest school. It is <1m from Austin. Students could walk from Ashworth to Austin but no other school.

In all three options, DES keeps all of the highest growth areas(perimeter). Relief could come by including the area east of Ashford-Dunwoody into Austin ES
 *Option #3 most relief to Dunwoody as a whole. Question: would those zoned to Doraville then return to Dunwoody for middle/high school? split feeder?

Please see FAQ# 34

In option #1 it makes no sense to move 22 students in (B2) & move to Austin from Vanderlyn.
 Then, take 22 students from DES in © & move to Vanderlyn.
 This doubles the amount of movement & is unnecessary. © should move to Austin & (B2) should stay in Vanderlyn.

In option 1 why are you taking 21 students from Vanderlyn to Austin and moving 22 students from DES to Vanderlyn when the neighborhood(Ashworth(#1) is closer proximity to Austin and #2 relieves DES overcrowding while moving less students?
 Ashworth to Austin!

Please see FAQ# 33

In order to have truly equitable process and gain/maintain trust in Dekalb redistricting process, Option 2 cannot be viable.
 Austin Elementary must open with portables.

In plan #3 the most kids will be moving from higher performing school to a lower performing school.
 Vanderlyn to Kingsley
 Chesnut to Hightower
 Dunwoody to Kingsley

Instructional capacity will be negatively impacted by insufficiently relieving overcrowding in some school in terms of shared facilities (gym, STEM, music)

Is it an option for those sent to Doraville United to continue to the Middle & High with their peers? This would help alleviate overpopulation in our Middle and High.
 We asked at Mtg #1 for DNCA to be kept together and were ignored. Please keep our neighborhood together.
 2/3 options have Chesnut students crossing a mamor highway (D/B)

Please see FAQ# 34

Is the High St(Perimeter) Development and GM plant Development included in the forecast? Concerned at overdevelopment at Austin. Build school where there is land such as GM Doraville Plant Support Option 2

Please see FAQ# 5

Is there a way to minimize the increase of students in Austin (use the new school with no trailers), and use schools outside the cluster to relieve overcrowded schools(Vanderlyn, Dunwoody, etc)?

Please see FAQ# 26

Is there an opportunity for city of Dunwoody to step in an assume control for the people they know best?

Just shifting kids doesn't solve overcrowding issue.
We need a new school for all the new developments(High Street)
Vote for Option 2
Are we accounting for Special Ed kids moving to new Austin? The 3 proposals just shows moving kids from place to place. Not accounting for Special Ed self-contained classrooms.

Keep Dunwoody North intact!

Keep Dunwoody North neighborhood together. This change disrupts geographic proximity, traffic patterns, an intact neighborhood and economical operations and efficiency as

Keep our families together!

DON'T REDISTRICT!

Section D in Option 1

Section D in Option 2

Section F in option 3

Traffic will be horrendous on Tilly Mill for these being redistricted.

You will be moving kids out of their neighborhood communities

The school will be losing key board constituents. Volunteers and moving families who run the school.

Least amount of disruption for kids & neighborhoods

None of these options solve much of anything but option 2 is the closest.

Leave as many students in the schools where they are now

Don't disrupt their lives!!!

Less portable for all!

Please look at the growth over the next 5-7 years! Plan to that!

Moving 43 students from Chesnut to Kingsley breaks up the Dunwoody North Homeowners Association and causes a longer commute and more traffic an Tilly Mill Road.

My biggest concern is overall projected growth in Dunwoody and being prepared for this growth so we are not displacing kids again in 2 years. We can't keep disrupting our kids relationships and experiences. It's hurting our community.

Need new whole school!

Option #2 (adding trailers to new Austin)

Need to address high school overcrowding to adequately come up w/plan

Section D of Option 3 should not be removed from Vanderlyn. Been part of Vanderlyn 27 years. Very connected to neighbors in Dunwoody Club Forest. Currently safe to bike and walk to school. Wouldn't be able to get to Kingsley and would also cause traffic issues.

Need to keep neighborhoods together

-option 2 has fewest moves with fewer kids impacted.

New school needed for long term relief

Option 3 is most disruptive and least desirable

No more portables!

No options address growth @ DES.

Thousands of housing units will enter the cluster in the next few years.

80% of that growth will be in DES.

Future growth should be the primary focus and all elementary schools should share this growth.

No portable at Austin is ridiculous

None of 3 options best provide solutions to reduce overcrowding today nor projected enrollment over next 2-3 years. In all models, section A should go further south. If no new school, then Austin must open with trailers relieve overcrowding @ DES

None of the options address the mass growth projected in the DES school district.

Option 3 reduces overcrowding the most!

Utilizing the new Doraville school is an effective plan.

The areas west of Ashford Dunwoody should move to Austin to reduce overcrowding.

None of the options adequately address the high # of mobile students in DES school district.

None of the options appropriately address the risks DES faces by new developments in the perimeter area. Option 3 does the most to address this. What is 5+ year projection for Perimeter? Why would the kids in Doraville not go to that cluster's middle a high school? Please see FAQ# 26

None of the options include alliviation of traffic to Womack/ Vermack @ DES/SHS/VES

None of these plans address the overage at Vanderlyn

On all options letter C the Ashworth neighborhood should be zoned to go to AES because it is the closests geographical school.

On option 1, instead of moving B2 and C and uprooting both groups of students, just move C to AES and keep B2 in VES. You can make Ashford Center Parkway as the dividing line and North goes to AES and south goes to VES.

Opening a new school with portables perpetuates the problem & thus allows the mismanagement of the district to continue. The idea of building a new school with portables is leterally insane!!!

Opposing Option - 3

439 - students are impacted for this move its difficult for kids to adjust in new schools

My choice in option 1 (or) 2 is good

Option - 2 Section B only

Predicts 1 student - How is that possible?

Option #3 has a traffic issue left turn from few schools put us in a serious danger situation.

Option #3 impact more students because of the most number of student that need to relocate.

Option 1 and 2 unfairly move more Pib apartments to Kingsley - need to balance apartments better through cluster

Option 1 and Option 3 are too dramatic an increase in size for Austin. It's a 49% increase from 708 to 1055 in one year. This also complicates instructional capacity

Option 1 shifts the burden of Dunwoody to Austin. Not a fair approach for a new school

With the future growth at Dunwoody and Austin option 2 lowers their capacity to be able to handle these future growth.

Option 1 will have least disruption as it will have balance enrollments with trailers evenly distributed (with new Austin elementary)
Also major chunk of HES stays together

Option 1-9 option 2-10 option 3-6

Option 2 does not distribute the overcrowding equitably across the cluster. It leaves Austin with no trailers and undercapacity while all other schools continue to suffer. Is this fair? Is it good for the community as a whole?

Option 2 is a great model - as it limits the number of students making moves but also reduces the number of trailers/modular units
 Option 3 is great for cross cluster districting, but too many kids coming to Austin in first years

Option 2 is a no-go! Austin needs protables to relieve over-crowding at DES.

Option 3 - how do Hightower stakeholders feel about the split feeder? That would be important feedback to get.

Option 3 - Churning Drive should not go to Kingsley - they would have to cross a very busy road - they would be isolated from the rest of the school Currently, they can walk to DES.

for all options Dunwoody Trace neighborhood should stay with Village Mill.

No options adequately address the projected future grow that DES. This is a major concern.

Option 2 is best where least amount of students move out.

Option 2 is better as it is not disturbing the traffic, student movement is loss.

Option 2 less traffic Chamblee dunwoody/Mt Vernon/Womack

Option 2 moves the least # of students

I know my children love their school & would be sad to leave it. I am sure most children moved would feel the same way.

Option 2

Austin took 10 years to build. The size was from 10 years ago.

Need 2 more elementary schools.

Option 2

Cons: When C is moved to VES it's the farther school in distance when compared to the distance from AES.

Pros: By moving C to AES it will help to enhance the balance between all schools in the cluster - 22

- students more in Austin and less from VES

Option 3 allows more students out of trailers this is good! And should be a goal of the district

Option 3 is a NO as it would move Oxford Chase out of Vanderlyn. Oxford Chase has a good mix of people from different countries bringing in value in form of different cultures, heritage, & language to Vanderlyn. Vanderlyn will lose on special programs by losing Oxford Chase.

Option 3 is by far the least desirable option

Impacts most students(439)

-Traffic & safety concerns for those living in Section D. No sidewalks en route to Kingsley ES. Much more desirable to walk or bike to Vanderlyn ES

Option 3 is the most disruptive - PLEASE reconsider!

Option 3 is the most disruptive to communities
 My community(option 3, D)would be cut off from the rest of the school
 by commercial zone
 Option 3 breaks feeders

Option 3 is unsafe traffic pattern, distance is also move which reduces
 the sleep time of kids may not get time to have their breakfast etc.
 We support option 1 & 2.

Option 3 moves the most students to brick & mortar buildings which is
 the safest & healthiest place for a child to learn.

Option 3
 * provides the most disruption to the highest amount of students.
 *The most traffic and safety concerns
 *and the only one that changes school feeder alignment
 Osvord Chase votes NO on Option 3

Option 3
 Area D - What is the point of moving 35 students from Vanderlyn to
 Kingsley when it causes safety issues & traffic problems for those
 students. Does not impact projected enrollment at Vanderlyn while
 increasing a lot of Geographic proximity

Option 3
 Cons: Area C moving to Vanderlyn puts the students in a school that is
 the further away (Austi is closer to Area C.
 Area C is being moved to an overcrowded school (Vanderlyn)
 Area C in Vanderlyn makes E-W traffic worse, which was a mojour concern
 in the 1st meeting.

Option 3
 Cons: C and B2 cancel each other. Why not moving only D to Austin as
 it's the shortest in distance?
 C in VES makes E-W traffic worst. C in Austin allows the kids to walk,
 removing vehicles from the street.

Option 3
 DES 199+22+18=239
 Relieves DES the most
 Removes the most portables
 keep the schools more balanced
 Need New elementary & Middle

Option 3
 How will it work if most parents in Doraville United are for/against the
 option vs. what the Dunwoody cluster? Who would breake the tie?

Please see FAQ# 6

Option 3

Moving Hightower overcrowding to Doraville United is a good plan, but split cluster is bad idea. This is bad for students. Additionally - If these students remain in Dor. United feeder plan, you provide overcrowding relief to both Peachtree MS and Dunwoody HS.

Option 3, section D would be a huge loss to the Vanderlyn community. These neighborhoods should not move.

Option#3 provides the most relief to all ES of portables

*All Schools have "organic growth" new Austin needs to help relieve neighboring schools because we ALL have organic growth in our area.

Option3 - con most children impacted.

*Projected "NEW Development" is not accounted for in DES area. The new Austin should help more.

Option2 is not good or equitable.

Option 1 = why is piece C "Ashworth" many just & replace another 22 kids in B2

Option2 is the best, least disruptive option. Letter A in a smaller amount of traffic to Austin which is safer.

Can section C be zoned to Austin to relieve Vanderlyn

Please don't overcrowd the new school already.

Option2:

1) Is it fair with option2 for Kingsley which currently has 0 portables to open 5 portables but new Austin should have 0? (All options 1-3)

2) Area C is being redistricted again when they were impacted in the last redistricting. Area C was Vanderlyn, then DES and is now being moved back to Vanderlyn.

Options need to be shared before the next meeting so people can provide informed feedback. The session today broke down into a battle of opinions, most of which were uninformed.

Options

Please see FAQ# 25

Cons - moves more students separate Chesnut - needs neighbor. Keep same bc of financial funding by their parents

Pro - share overcrowding burden Dunwoody elementary relief. How will this affect PMC? New Elementary?

Parking Lot Comment

It seems like every Austin parent would vote for Option 2 =, the rest of the parents would vote for other options thereby diluting the votes.

Please consider intact neighborhoods & things like pool/tennis clubs

My biggest concern is not trailers, but student population

I'm concerned the lawsuit against Dekalb schools will affect future finance

Please consider projected enrollment from Undeveloped land and possible recession (return from private)

Please ensure Dunwoody North Neighborhood stay intact!!

This neighborhood should not be split into 2 elem school

Please impact the least amount of students and build a new school!!

If we are trying to find spaces for 600+ students why are we not building a new school?

Please leave Dunwoody North neighborhood intact!!! #1-D; #3-D; #3-F Vanderlyn no relief in any option.

-push more of Vanderlyn to Kingsley & leave option D (Option D that affects to Dunwoody North Neighborhood) intact. Chesnut Elementary is fine, does not need to change.

Please make a decision for the long-term planning of the district and cluster that will best allow us to eventually get to 100% capacity and not over capacity. Find a way to get a long-term solution instead of temporary!

Please make sure the numbers are accurate. For example, why would Austin still have 7 portables when there is no change in schools and it is at 90% capacity??

Please put covered walkways to the portables.

For option 2 DES students will have to eat lunch too early or too late.

My daughter has hypoglycemia. It is not fair to make her eat lunch so early (or late) so that Austin could have no trailers.

Option 3 helps the whole cluster

Option 2 only helps Austin & that's not fair.

Please, please, please plan to redistrict (or at least review school enrollment vs capacity) every 3-5 years

Predicted growth rate for each school is not well defined based on new school bump predicted.

Traffic patterns have not been addressed by Dekalb County who is capable of providing on estimated traffic study assessments for each option.

Projections for 2021 are not correct. Redo! Esp for DES

Projections to 2021 do not include new development around perimeter area, 3,900 planned residences.

Pros Option 2

Least movables B0 is not effected. This option has medium impact on the whole cluster

Cons Option - 3

Heavy movables to pretty much all Es it impacts so much on traffic, students stud, socialization. Activities, extra activities. For distance to go to school.

Pros Option2: is good as least number of students and no portables to a new school like Austin Option1: is good as this is well balances Option II: keep commuinites together

Cons

Option 3 displaces most no. of students.

Q: Why has Dekalb not done a decent job in predicting rising enrollment?

Please see FAQ# 5 & 6

Q: We were told that staff recommended plan may be different from any of the options discussed. Why? Then what is the point of these options?

Q: Why must the option 2 be 0 portables at Austin? Consider rebalancing portables with Austin receiving some.

Question about "B" under Option 2

Please see FAQ# 5

Does "B" include the new housing project in Dunwoody Village? If so, claiming only 1 student moves seems misleading and will likely lead to quick overcrowding at the New Austin Elementary School.

Question

Why in a 3 options Chesnut is impacted by taking the other side of Tilly Mill away from the school Chesnut is a small community school that values all of its students All options split the Dunwoody North neighborhood. Our school is funded by this Dunwoody North community and it is not needed to take so much of that away. Why is there not an option to keep dunwoody North (Both sided of Tilly Mill) together?

Question?

Is the DCSD aware of what Dunwoody North is comprised of?

Dunwoody North has evolved since the 1967 platt map!! It includes the streets between N. Peachtree & Till Mill, and the other side of Tilly Mill is also dunwoody North. The Dunwoody North Civic Association also encompasses the Madisons, Briar's North & all 42 kids you propose moving. We have a strong neighborhood identity, share a poll club & we're proud to all be able to walk to our neighborhood school. Did you know?

Redistricting process must include trailers at Austin Elementary.

Section C should be moved to Austin. It provides relief to Dunwoody Elementary to section C (Ashworth neighborhood) is less than one mile from the new Austin. The line should be drawn down Ashford Center Pkwy. North of Ashford Center Pkwy goes to Austin and South (Jefferson Apts) goes to Vanderlyn.

Speaker in main session said projections do not include "new school effect" which he said occurs every time. With this information, projections are inaccurate. He stated in session 1 a Dekalb school has never opened at over 100% utilization because of this effect. This has made this meeting inefficient because no one acknowledges this because the data doesn't show if that you provided.

Special Ed requires smaller classrooms so can't base numbers on capacity because a full size classroom can hold more kids and you cannot do that with Special Ed kids.

Suggestion

- 1) Build more buildings for each school as all schools are overcrowded.
- 2) Shuffling around students does not really solve any problems
- 3) Build a new school in Dunwoody.

The Ashford Dunwoody traffic corridor is ignored. Ash Dun is closer to AES than DES. Why not draw the line down to 285

The Ashworth community(zone C) is going from DES to Vanderlyn. The community is less than one mile from AES.

Suggestion: Draw the school zone line down Ashford Center Pkwy. North goes to Vanderlyn.

*It still allows Vanderlyn to connect to Jefferson Apts. to keep them.

*Ashworth community (22 students) is constituted of single families & townhouses

The county projects 100 student bump at Austin due to the "new school effect." Given that Austin is almost exclusively single family houses, does the county expect a large surge of homes going up for sale because the new school is present? In other words, where exactly could this influx of people be expected to live?

The distance from residence to school should be as less as possible.

We support option 1 & 2.

There are plenty of single family homes in Kingsley. They just don't send them there. (private) Please do not take any more single family homes from Chesnut it is a huge part of the reason for the success seen at Chesnut.

Dunwoody North is split is 1/2 in every option. This hits our financial support and volunteers BIG!

There is an area on the current maps which shows an area of Meadowlake subdivision (2049 Lakesprings Way) as being zoned to Kingsley. However, I want to confirm that this address & area has been redistricted to Vanderlyn in 2018/19 per confirmation from the school board representative

There is no point of moving kids to Doraville United if either way they are going to Peachtree MS and Dunwoody HS

There is not an option where most schools are not overutilized. We need a new ES in this cluster.

Putting Oxford Chase or Kingsley will lead to major traffic issues & accidents, affecting everyone who drives on Mt. Vernon

This redistricting does not account for the impact this will have on middle & high schools, why? My oldest elementary schooler will be in middle school next year. How can we be less shortsided in our planning? Please see FAQ# 34

This will solve all problems Part II

Planning for the next school in the Dunwoody cluster should begin immediately

The planning/zoning commission should take greater care when approving multifamily developments in the Perimeter Mall area.

To reduce overcrowding at DHS have a co-op program with GA State for dual enrollment. Kids can 1/2 day at DHS and then go to GA state campus for other classes.

Turning left out of Oxford Chase would be a safety nightmare
Option 2 affects the least amount of kids.

Under Option 3 Area E has a small number of children on the DES side of Tilly Mill(left) that currently can walk safely to school through GSU parking lot. With a move to Kingsley they would no longer be able to walk to school bc crossing Tilly Mill is not safe! Removed from neighbors.

If option 3 is selected the line should be at Tilly Mill Rd. for area E.

Update portables - elementary students need restrooms
zero relief for Vanderlyn
need more elementary schools for the good of the whole cluster.

Using the older Austin Elementary building to relieve cluster overcrowding for the entire cluster needs to still be in consideration.

Vanderlyn very little relief in any option
 To help Vanderlyn, move more to Kingsley & NOT move Chesnut students to Kingsley.
 The Chesnut students moves them and breaks up a very tight knit neighborhood (Dunwoody North Neighborhood)
 Full oppose option 1, part D
 option 2, part D
 option 3, part F
 I oppose as stated on other side based on Primary Criteria #1
 Geographic Proximity
 & Secondary Location Criteria #1 - #2 - Prior to the county decided to keep our neighborhood together - Please do the same!
 #5 don't split our neighborhood
 #6 families have many leaders at Chesnut & are strong fanatical supporters
 #1 Distance is far & traffic

Voting for Option 2

Pros

*Minimal movement

W/ influx of new special Ed classrooms 2 Kingsley.

Please see FAQ# 7

Please consider the impact of increasing the special needs and ESL students in Kingsley on students, learning, etc. How will demographics change school/building usage?

We ask that DNCA be kept intact in Rd 1! And now it's split

Please see FAQ# 4

How do you justify Chesnut's falling school cap?

We have the same # of MID classes this year as last year, so instructional capacity should be static from 2018-2019 430/358

It changed from Rd 1 (394) to Round 2 (358)

Please keep all of DNCA @ Chesnut Community intact.

Dunwoodynorthdc.org

I vote "no vote" because I don't feel any choice is good for Chesnut

We asked that DNCA be kept intact in Round 1 and it has been split.

Please keep all of DNCA at Chesnut, community intact.

Dunwoodynorthdc.org

We asked that DNCA be kept intact in Round 1 and were ignored.

Please keep all of DNCA at Chesnut - community intact

dunwoodynorthdc.org

We asked the Dunwoody North (DNCA) neighborhood be kept intact and it was split up in all 3 options.

Please keep all of DNCA at Chesnut to keep our neighborhood intact.

See dunwoodynorthdc.org

Also Chesnut capacity should be at least 400.

We cannot divide the Dunwoody North Neighborhood! It would be detrimental to the future of the school!

We need a new school in our cluster. The overflow number JUSTIFY it!
Another option is to build UP on existing school properties - either instead of trailers or adding floors.

We need a new school! Cross cluster redistricting to MES and Doraville

What does the Doraville cluster utilization look like? Please see FAQ# 36
If it's already overutilized, option 3 would simply shift issues to a different cluster

What is going to be done to alleviate Dunwoody Elementary School? Please see FAQ# 26
Especially when as currently zoned our members are to increase the most?

What is the big advantage of avoiding portable classrooms at Austin? It Please see FAQ# 35
is not equitable as all other schools require portables. Also, the 100 additional students forecast to Austin is much more speculative from the other forecast.
Can you provide back-up for the forecast of 100 additional students to Austin?
Were the additional 3,900 units that will be districted DES considered?
Could C move to Austin?

What is the plan for the high growth area near Perimeter? No area Please see FAQ# 26
schools can take an additional 3900 protected residents.

What other schools will move students to Doraville United ES? Will that Please see FAQ# 36
school be at or over or under capacity?

What percentage of households in the current Austin District with Please see FAQ# 5
elementary age children send their children to Austin?

What Spec Education classes will be moved during redistricting. Please see FAQ# 13
i.e. will Kingsley Spec Ed be moved when/if 100 more students are added to enrollment

What transportation options do the kids have once they move from one Please see FAQ# 9
school to other?

Does the redistricting to Austin will impact on "point at perimeter" community if yes then what will be the next school allocated?

When we see options on Round 3 - will it be combination of what has Please see FAQ# 6
been presented or can there be areas in n'hoods impacted not currently impacted in options 1-3?

Where do special needs students go in each option? Please see FAQ# 13

Where does the count of 450 available seats at the New Austin come Please see FAQ# 4
from with 950 school capacity & 708 2019 enrollment?

Why are you not assisting with all of the growth in the DES/perimeter area.

Why build schools that are immediately over crowded even be built. Get bigger schools with more efficient use of resources.

Why can't we reclaim Nancy Creek Elementary & move Kitridge more central to absorb 640 students in the cluster? We need a whole school!! Please see FAQ# 32

Why do the capacity numbers for Chesnut continue to decrease? Please see FAQ# 4

Why does the status quo include 7 portables at Austin, but even moving children to Austin decreases number of portables. Please see FAQ# 5

What's your variance on prior forecasts? By school?

What's the actual utilization of Doraville? 11% is pretty wrong

Why impact Option 3 Section D as it does almost Vanderlyn but breaks up communities

Why is Ashworth moved in all three options from Dunwoody Elementary to a more overcrowded Vanderlyn instead of the new Austin school with capacity? Please see FAQ# 33

Why is Austin projected to have growth when there are no options where they are given land on which property can be developed? They should share the Dunwoody cluster burden of over-capacity. Please see FAQ# 35

Why is DES having to bear the brunt of projected growth? Please see FAQ# 26

Why is it that in each of the 3 options that Vanderlyn's enrollment/capacity is at the highest % and we get no relief? Please see FAQ# 26

Why is the county not redistricting as a whole? Please see FAQ# 6

Why is there only one school capacity number? Please see FAQ# 4

What happened to the two capacity counts:

1) School capacity

2) Instructional capacity

Why not build a new schools near the perimeter area? Please see FAQ# 26

Make BIS contribute to schools? What needs to happen to change the law?

Why single out Oxford Chase neighborhood in option 3 and move to a new school? It's farther away creates even worse traffic & doesn't charge enrollment all that much. Please see FAQ# 33

Why would the only neighborhood that feed into Chesnut be divided?

Why wouldn't option 3 result in students permanently moving to the Doraville cluster and following the Doraville feeder paths? Please see FAQ# 34

Why, with option 3 must it be split feeder? Please see FAQ# 34

Why are the HS clusters not being redistricted also?

Will upcoming forecasts include new developments in the Perimeter Are? Please see FAQ# 6

Park @ Perimeter center East - approx 900 residences

High Street - approx 3,000 residences

These are both in DES territory today & the school is already forecasted remain overcrowded.

Could we consider option #3, with some revisions

1) Hightowers Doraville United students remain in Chamblee for MS & HS.

2) Less disruption of neighborhoods is needed.

With such a small number of students being moved from Vanderlyn in each option why should Vanderlyn be touched at all?

Option 1

Woodsong is part of Dunwoody Club Forest and should not be separated. There isn't a safe way for students to get to Austin from Woodsong by foot. Woodsong has been a part of the Vanderlyn for over 20 years. We are a vitally active community of families at Vanderlyn; compiled of PTA presidents, VP's treasurers/former & current teachers.

You need to build a school in perimeter areas - Use eminent domain if necessary