# Attendance boundary proposals

Blaine community meeting - Oct. 4, 2022



## **Anoka-Hennepin changes**

Need for new attendance boundaries throughout the district

- Attendance boundary adjustments at the elementary and middle school levels are required to balance student enrollment across the district:
  - Pockets of growth in Blaine, Champlin and Dayton.
  - Balancing middle school enrollment in Blaine High School cluster.
  - No changes to high school attendance areas.
- Current conditions stress school facilities in growth areas, resulting in overcrowding for the foreseeable future.

#### Purpose

#### To share information

- Process.
- Timeline.
- Parameters used in forming proposals.
- Proposals for new boundaries.
- Feedback analysis.
- Transition plan.
- Feedback opportunities.

Outcome

#### Community members

- feel informed about the proposals;
- understand the process and timeline; and
- provide feedback for the School Board as they consider new boundaries.

Thank you for attending and/or viewing this presentation

- Thank you!
- Students and families feel positively about their teachers and school.
- School Board policy requires public review and comment on boundary proposals prior to approval.

Strategic priority 3.3

Through a strategic priority, the school board has provided direction to ensure efficient operations of district facilities and programs.

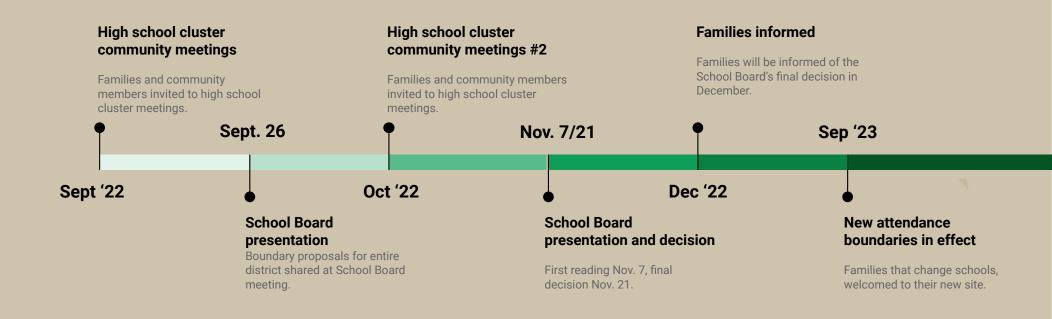
## **Timeline**

#### Beginning process now facilitates smooth transitions

- New attendance boundaries will start 2023-24.
- The School Board is seeking staff and community feedback prior to decision making.
- Community meetings and online form.

## **Timeline**

#### Quick glance



- The teacher/student ratio, established by the School Board through the budget process, determines adequate space.
- Maintain lower teacher/student ratios at elementary schools, most notably kindergarten and first grade.
- Ensure educational supports and programming is based on the student demographics of the attendance boundary.

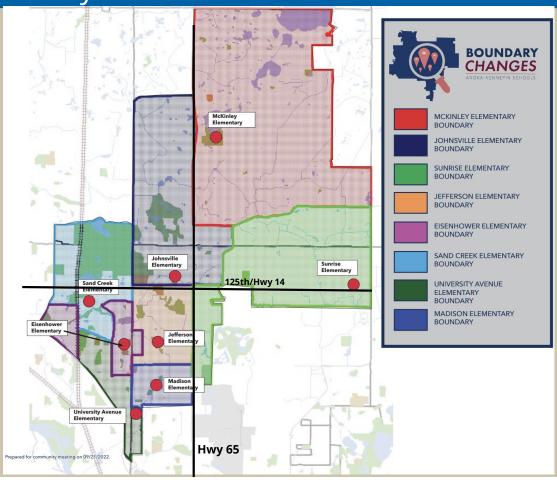
- Ensure all student have the opportunity to receive comparable educational experiences.
- Follow State guidelines.
- Use district resources efficiently.

- Design bus rides of reasonable lengths.
- Facilitate walking to school for students living within a mile of their school (if there aren't hazards present on the route).
- Boundaries are contiguous and adjoining where possible to minimize disruptions and ensure efficiencies.

- Maintain current high school attendance boundaries at this time.
- Consider growth from current and future residential development.
- Strive to establish boundaries to remain in effect for at least five years at elementary schools and ten years at secondary schools.

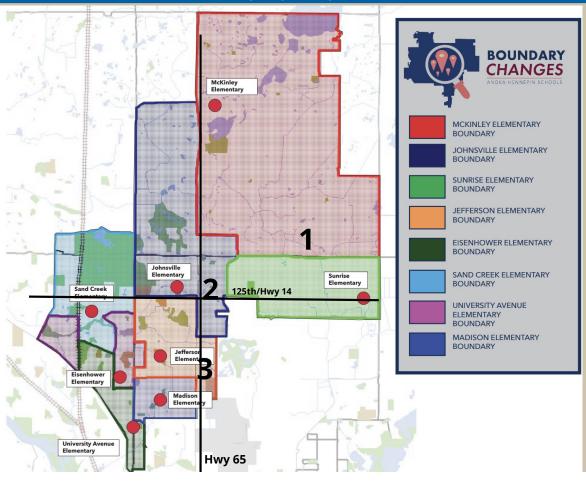
## **& Current enrollment map**

**Blaine Elementary** 



## **\* Draft enrollment map**

Blaine Elementary: proposed

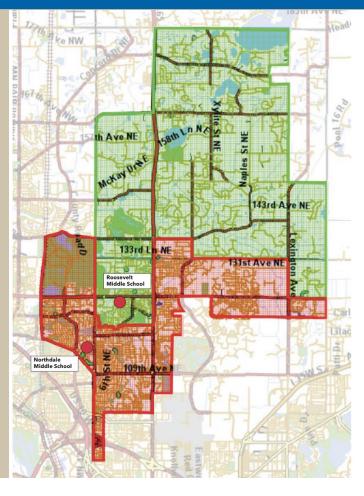


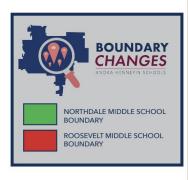
#### **Proposed changes:**

- Sunrise Elementary to McKinley Elementary
- **2** Sunrise Elementary to Johnsville Elementary
- **3** Sunrise Elementary to Jefferson Elementary

# **\* Draft enrollment map**

Blaine middle schools: current

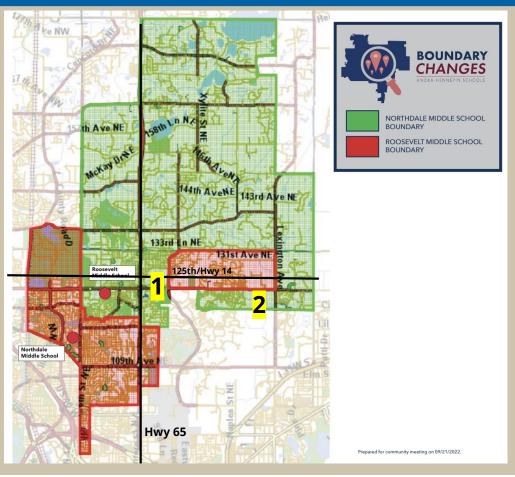




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# Proposed attendance area map

Blaine cluster, middle school

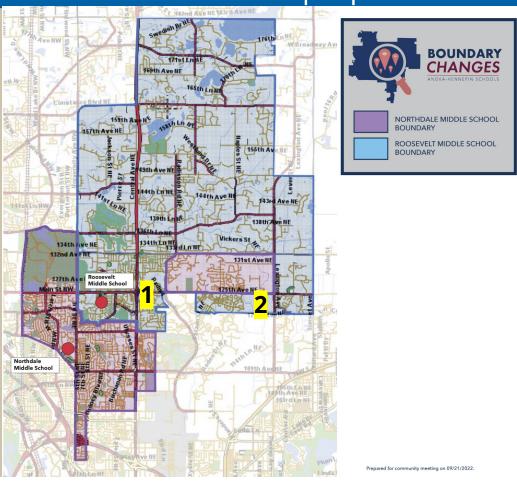


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- 1 Northdale to Roosevelt
- 2 Northdale to Roosevelt

## **\* Draft enrollment map**

Blaine middle schools: proposed



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#### Current and proposed attendance boundaries

 Check out the boundaries website for maps, which include the current and proposed attendance boundaries,

ahschools.us/boundaries.

## **Feedback**

#### Summary of community feedback

- Meetings/in-person and streamed online
- Online form available: ahschools.us/boundaryfeedback
- Email available: <u>boundaries@ahschools.us</u>

#### **Trending topics:**

- Neighborhood changes
- Requests to review maps
- In-district transfer/open enrollment policies
- Special Education

### **Transition**

- Fifth grade students in 2023-24 (current fourth graders) could possibly stay at their current school through an in-district transfer.
  - Transportation would be the responsibility of families.
- Eighth grade students in 2023-24 (current seventh graders) could possibly stay at their current school through an in-district transfer.
  - Transportation would be the responsibility of family.
- Enrollment priority for younger siblings

### **Transition**

- Schools will provide transitions for students, involving staff and parents/guardians to welcome students to their new schools.
- Anoka-Hennepin schools offer the same curriculum and programs districtwide.

### **Additional information**

Call, email or check out the website

- Website: <u>ahschools.us/boundaries</u> fill out the survey on this website for feedback
- Email: <u>boundaries@ahschools.us</u>

# Feedback opportunity

ahschools.us/boundaries

