

# Boundary Adjustment Committee

## September 3, 2020

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Avon Community School Corporation is undertaking a boundary adjustment during the fall of the 2020-21 school year. The new boundaries will take place for the 2021-22 school year. Work is being done by a committee to gain community input into the adjustment process.

The Boundary Adjustment Committee is comprised of one parent representative from each of the current seven elementary schools, two elementary principals, and two district administrators. The elementary administrators are Mrs. Nikki Harrison, principal at Maple Elementary, and Mr. Keary Rininger, principal at Hickory Elementary. Dr. Dustin LeMay, Director of K-12 Teaching and Learning, and Dr. Terry Terhune, Assistant Superintendent, are co-chairs of the committee. Members of the transportation department and curriculum department help support the work of the committee by providing maps, demographics, and current developments taking place in the district.

During the first meeting, introductions took place to help each member understand who was working on the committee and why. The committee learned about the process of adjusting elementary boundaries. The overall goal is to make a recommendation to the school board and community of two to three viable options for new boundaries. The boundaries will now represent six elementary schools beginning in the 2021-22 school year. White Oak Elementary will become a preschool center beginning in the fall of 2021. Three other elementary schools, Maple, Sycamore, and Hickory, are all being renovated and additions will be completed by July 2021 for the start of school.

Committee members learned about current free/reduced lunch numbers, English language learners, demographics, and reviewed the current boundary map. Goals were set in place similar to previous boundary adjustments. These include:

- Moving as few students as possible
- Balancing school sizes
- Creating schools with as similar demographics as possible including free/reduced percentages
- Keep as many neighborhoods together as possible to attend the same elementary school

The meeting included time for questions and answers to take place with several questions about how information will be presented and the overall process taking place. The next meeting will be September 10, 2020.