

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
2018/19 SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS/BOUNDARIES
AND SCHOOL USAGE RECOMMENDATIONS**

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2018/19 School Boundary Process Overview

The following is a summary of key school boundary process dates:

- **May 23, 2017 School Board School Boundary Workshop I:** A review of last year's boundary process was presented along with the proposed 2018/19 school boundary process timeline. Direction was given by the Board to solicit nominations for School Boundary Committee representatives and alternatives through individual School Advisory Forums (SAF's), and that final committee membership would be chosen from among these nominees by Innovation Zone Principal Facilitators rather than by District Area Advisory Councils as in previous years. Furthermore, an alternate would be chosen from any school impacted by a proposed change.
- **May 31, 2017 through October 17, 2017:** Demographics & Student Assignments Department (DSA) staff worked with any community members who wanted to create proposals for school boundary changes, and shared the process with principals, city elected officials, and community members. The deadline for community members to submit a boundary change proposal was October 17, 2017. This deadline was extended from September 29, 2017 due to the impact of Hurricane Irma, which forced the closure of schools from September 11th through September 15th, and delayed District data reporting processes integral to the creation of boundary proposals.

This year, DSA received four proposals for boundary changes from members of the community. These included two moving portions of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School boundary to Coral Glades High School to relieve overcrowding, one moving a portion of the New River Middle boundary to Parkway Middle, and one moving portions of the New River Middle boundary to Parkway Middle and Driftwood Middle.

- **June 27, 2017:** At a Regular School Board Meeting, the School Board voted to adopt the 2018/19 School Boundary Committee Resolution.
- **August – October 2017:** Innovation Zone Principal Facilitators selected a representative and an alternate from each high school Innovation Zone in their areas to serve on the School Boundary Committee for this year's community school boundary process. The names of all School Boundary Committee representatives and alternates from the North, Central and South Areas were provided to DSA by October 30, 2017.

- **October 24, 2017 Second School Board Workshop on School Boundaries:** DSA staff updated the School Board on the 2018/19 school boundary process, presented all boundary proposals, including innovative concepts for future school design. The School Board deliberated on the proposals and arrived at a consensus not to move forward with any of the community proposals that had been received.
- **October 30, 2017:** The Superintendent issued a memorandum as a follow up to the October 24th workshop indicating that his recommendation was not to move forward with any of the community boundary proposals, and that, in absence of any proposals, the SBC would not need to be convened for the 2018/19 boundary process.
- **January 26, 2018 Superintendent's Final 2018/19 Boundary Recommendations Memorandum:** With no recommended changes to school usage or attendance areas, the Superintendent recommended that all school boundaries should remain the same in 2018/19 as they were in 2017/18, or to follow previously adopted grade phase-ins.
- **March 6, 2018 School Boundary Public Hearing I:** The Superintendent's final school attendance areas and school usage recommendations for 2018/19 are to be presented and discussed during a Regular School Board Meeting.

School Board members are requested to **approve** the recommended attendance areas for the 2018/19 school year. Public input will be heard at this meeting.

- **March 20, 2018 School Boundary Public Hearing II:** The Superintendent's final school attendance areas and school usage recommendations for 2018/19 are to be presented and discussed during a Regular School Board Meeting.

School Board members are requested to **adopt** the recommended attendance areas for the 2018/19 school year. Public input will be heard at this meeting.