

Coweta County School System

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you of work being done by school system administration to help address enrollment growth in one area of our county. In an effort to reduce congestion and crowding at Newnan Crossing Elementary School, the Coweta County School System has recently begun to examine potential redistricting options for a small portion of Newnan Crossing's attendance area. Newnan Crossing has remained over capacity for the last few years. Meanwhile, Welch Elementary and White Oak Elementary have seen enrollment numbers slightly decline while remaining under capacity in recent years.

In order to better utilize available space at White Oak Elementary and Welch Elementary, the school system is considering redistricting an area from the Newnan Crossing attendance zone to Welch and White Oak. The area referenced in the proposed change is the Forest Circle and Forest Road neighborhoods of the Shenandoah area. In the proposed plan, a portion of students in this area would be redistricted to Welch Elementary School and a portion would be redistricted to White Oak Elementary School. This move would keep each school within the required demographic guidelines and keep each school within reasonable capacity ranges.

Along with these changes, we would also move the Newnan Crossing Pre-K class back to Newnan Crossing from Welch Elementary where it has been in recent years due to Newnan Crossing capacity issues. Finally, this plan would allow rising fifth graders at Newnan Crossing to remain at Newnan Crossing for their fifth grade year if desired. Parents would be responsible for transporting these fifth grade students.

Currently, there have been no redistricting decisions made and no school board action has been taken regarding redistricting as of this time. As part of our fact finding effort, we would like your input on this important decision. Redistricting maps will be available in the front lobby at each school beginning on Monday, February 12, 2018. System administrators will be available for a question and answer session Tuesday February 27th, 6:30 p.m. at Welch Elementary School and Wednesday February 28th, 6:30 p.m. at Newnan Crossing Elementary School. Please stop by the school at your convenience to view the maps and provide us with your feedback. You may also go to our website at www.cowetaschools.net and click on *Redistricting Proposal* to view information and provide feedback. Finally, you may also provide feedback by emailing ncesredistricting@cowetaschools.net or by calling Assistant Superintendent Vince Bass at 770-254-2803..

Sincerely,

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