

Community Survey #2

- Short survey (about 25 questions) designed to measure support for referendum
- 400 randomly-selected registered voters, based on demographic data
- Surveying takes place mid-June
 - Results shared with board July 8

Survey will test:

- Support for a levy increase
- Support for investment in technology
- Overall tax tolerance

Results will provide board with information needed to determine:

- What is included in referendum
- Total amount of referendum request
- How any new funding will be invested



District Space Considerations

School Board Meeting
June 3, 2021

Purpose of Tonight's Discussion

- Learn about the opportunities and challenges of growth in the southern part of the district
- Consider options to address space needs at Lake Elmo Elementary - beginning in 2022-2023 until a new building can be constructed
- Gather school board feedback to inform next steps for administration

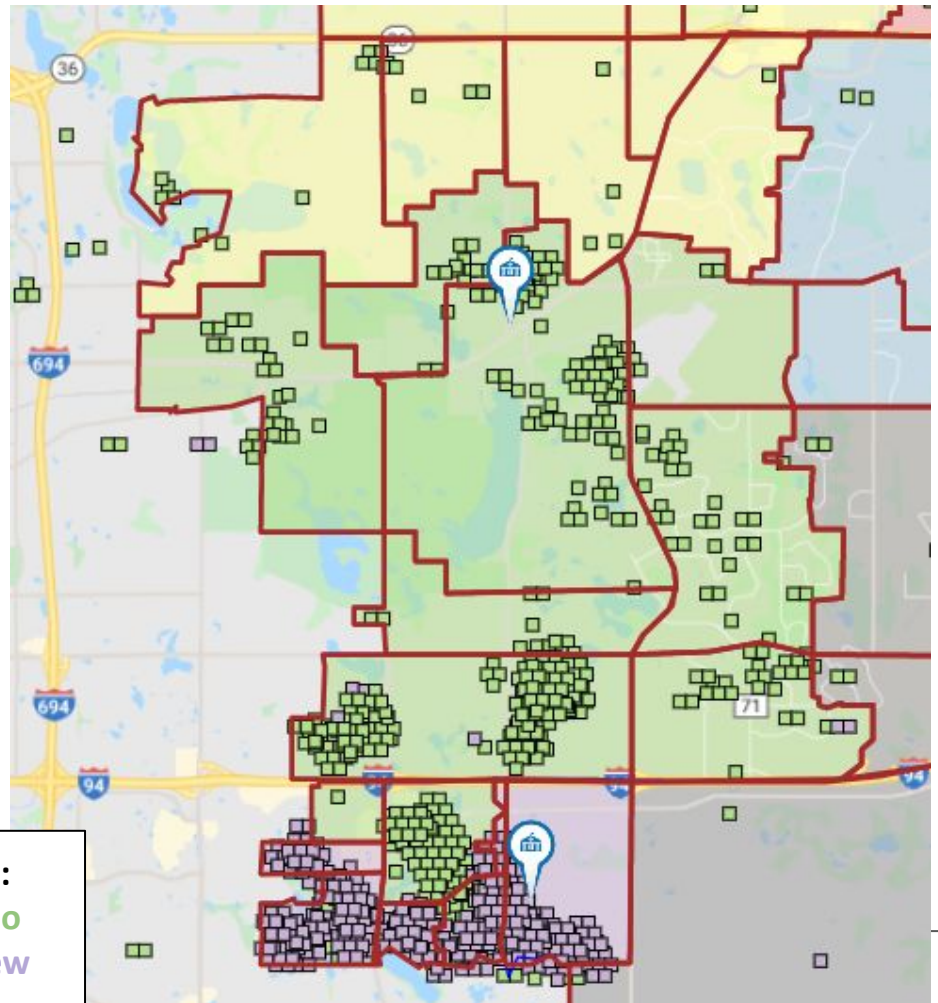


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What's the Issue?

- Overcrowding at Lake Elmo and Brookview
- Continued growth projected in Lake Elmo and Woodbury



Map Key:
Lake Elmo
Brookview



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Current Reality:

Enrollment Projections

School	Projected Enrollment 2022-2023	Programmatic Capacity	Open Seats
Afton-Lakeland	526	500	-26
Andersen	356	350	-6
Brookview	549	650	101
Lake Elmo	758 (Boundary) 150 (Immersion)	675	-233
Lily Lake	483	525	42
Rutherford	514	675	161
Stonebridge	431	575	144

Lake Elmo Space Challenge: 2022-2023

750

students living
within boundary

+

150

alternate and
open enrollment

=

900

projected students

Building programmatic capacity = 675 students

NOTE: *If a bond were to be passed in 2022, a new building would not open until fall 2025 or mid-year 2024.*

Understanding Space Issues at Lake Elmo

- **Lake Elmo Elementary** is already over capacity
- More students coming to Lake Elmo as result of current and projected growth
- **Amigos Unidos** program currently takes up 8 classrooms at Lake Elmo (K-3)
- Program will expand to 12 classrooms by 2022-2023 with addition of grades 4-5

Options to Address Lake Elmo Space Challenges

*Beginning 2022-2023
until a new Lake Elmo
can be constructed*

A	Adjust Elementary Attendance Boundaries
B	Utilize Space at Other Elementary Schools <i>(Rutherford and Stonebridge)</i>
C	Utilize Space at Oak Park
D	Create New Home for Amigos Unidos at Oak Park

Option A

Adjust Elementary Attendance Boundaries

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Opportunities:

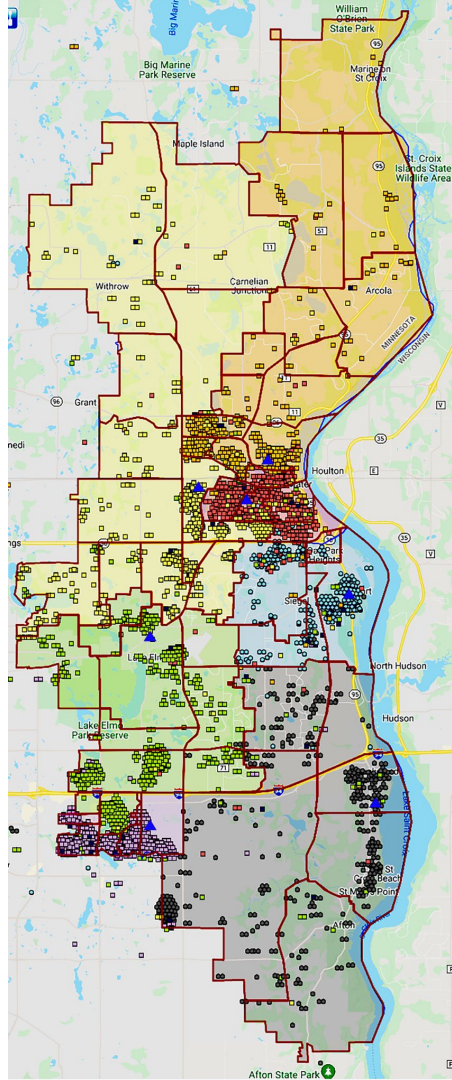
- Balances enrollment in all district elementary schools

Challenges:

- Moves as many as 20-30% of elementary students districtwide out of their current schools
- Biggest impact is on Lake Elmo Elementary (loss of 225 kids)
- Students may pass a school to get to their assigned school

Boundary Change Considerations

- 334 students districtwide are “sent home”
 - 249 alternate enrolled
 - 85 open enrolled
- Minimum of 225 students will be moved out of Lake Elmo
- Domino effect: students moved out of Afton-Lakeland, Andersen, Lily Lake, Stonebridge, Rutherford



Option B

Utilize Space at Rutherford and Stonebridge

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- Move Lake Elmo preK to Rutherford Elementary
 - 161 open seats projected 2022-2023
- Move Lake Elmo kindergarten (traditional classrooms) to Stonebridge
 - 144 open seats projected 2022-2023
- Reduce kindergarten immersion to 1 section instead of 2
- Keep specialists on a cart at Lake Elmo (art, music, media)



Utilize space at Rutherford and Stonebridge

Opportunities:

- Utilizes open space at Rutherford and Stonebridge
- Keeps immersion (K-5) program within Lake Elmo boundary
- Temporary solution until new school can be built to house all of Lake Elmo and Amigos Unidos

Challenges:

- Lake Elmo still exceeds capacity
- Separates students from Lake Elmo community
- Splits families between multiple campuses
- Longer bus rides
- Temporarily disrupts immersion program
- Construction of new school dependent on passage of a bond

Estimated Impact = 150 students

Utilize Existing Space at Oak Park

Option C

*Move 2 or 3 grade levels from
Lake Elmo to Oak Park*

Option D

*Create New Home for Amigos
Unidos at Oak Park*

NOTE: Transitions program would remain at Oak Park

Option C

Utilize Space at Oak Park:

Move multiple grade levels from Lake Elmo to Oak Park

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Opportunities:

- Provides room for enrollment growth
- Keeps immersion (K-5) program within Lake Elmo boundary
- Keeps Lake Elmo students together with their cohort
- Temporary solution until new school can be built to house both Lake Elmo and Amigos Unidos

Challenges:

- Separates students from Lake Elmo community
- Splits families between 2 campuses
- Longer bus rides
- Annual operating costs from the general fund and one-time facility expenditure
- Construction of new school dependent on passage of a bond

Estimated Impact = 270-300 students

Option D

Create New Home for Amigos Unidos at Oak Park

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Opportunities:

- Provides room for enrollment growth
- Provides access to immersion to students from across the district
- Allows for immersion expansion to 3 sections per grade level and preK
- Creates a dedicated space for the immersion program
- Ability to provide transportation

Challenges:

- Program not located where largest concentration of native Spanish speakers reside
- Separates students from Lake Elmo community
- Longer bus ride
- Annual operating costs from the general fund and one-time facility expenditure

Estimated Impact = 280-300 students

Budget Impacts

Estimated Impact to Budget

Annual Operating Costs (General Fund)

One-Time Costs (Non-General Fund)

	Annual Operating Costs (General Fund)	One-Time Costs (Non-General Fund)
<p>A</p> <p>Boundaries</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation: TBD 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$0
<p>B</p> <p>Other schools</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation: \$125,000 - \$250,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$0
<p>C</p> <p>Oak Park</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing: \$540,000 - \$600,000 • Transportation: \$250,000 - \$375,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building upgrades: \$4 million*
<p>D</p> <p>Immersion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing: \$540,000 - \$600,000 • Transportation: \$66,000 - \$620,000 depending on tier selected 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building upgrades: \$4 million*

*Does not include LTFM projects planned for FY2023

School Board Discussion

- Which of these options would you like to explore further?
- What additional information do you need?
- Are there other options you'd like to consider?

Timeline

Option A:

Oct. - Dec. 2021

Option B:

Jan. - March 2022

Option C & D:

July 2021