

Subject: Boundary Adjustment Comment Form

Date: Monday, August 1, 2016 at 11:47:39 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us <Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

Name: Lynnsey and Ryan Sitter

Email: lynnseysitter@gmail.com

Comment:

Good afternoon.

We moved to this area just over a year and a half ago when my husband began his job with Nike. We researched as extensively as one can from afar before purchasing a house in the Cedar Hills area, north of 26. We reside in the West TV/ Cedar Park/Sunset attendance area. It's one of the reasons we purchased this home. We have three children and the proposed boundary changes are very troubling to us.

The two primary concerns for us are the safety of eventually traveling to Beaverton High School rather than Sunset and the break up of our community, which is inarguably separate from the "downtown" Beaverton area. Beyond that, I can tell you that regardless of the reality, many people are relegated to making decisions about these schools from afar as we did and the two schools have a very different reputation in terms of their quality which impacts either our children's education or our home values when competing with homes less than a block away (we were one street outside the previously proposed Sunset boundary). Neither of these are terribly pleasant situations.

These issues would be less troublesome if the process weren't largely flawed and, it seems, highly political. There is mounting evidence that the criteria the district was meant to consider when changing boundaries were completely ignored and previous proposals would have resulted in higher costs and potential risk to the children given the travel routes that were considered in addition to breaking up traditional neighborhoods. We hope that doesn't happen again.

Our family respectfully asks that you keep our neighborhoods together and follow the district's own policies regarding boundary changes moving forward.

Thank you,

Lynnsey and Ryan Sitter

Subject: Boundary Adjustment Comment Form

Date: Sunday, August 7, 2016 at 2:58:11 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us <Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

Name: Daphne Teals

Email: drummondk@aol.com

Comment:

Dear Superintendent Grotting:

Welcome to the Beaverton School District! We are hearing good things about your willingness to consider community viewpoints as you weigh new high school boundaries. We appreciate your consideration of West Tualatin View Elementary's situation. We are closer to Sunset on safer roads, and Sunset is part of our community.

I write today to urge you to keep West TV Elementary within the Sunset High School boundaries. My family lives in the West Tualatin View Elementary School area, and we see many strong reasons to keep WTV in the Sunset HS boundaries. Distance, safety, and community are just three of the compelling reasons to keep West TV with Sunset.

First, the proposed shift to Beaverton HS would add distance and danger to what's now an easy commute to Sunset HS. The District's efforts to have safe transportation and safe routes to school would be best served by keeping West TV with its closest neighborhood high school, Sunset. We're now on a TriMet route to Sunset, and it's walkable. The prospect of adding new teenage drivers to 217 at rush hour is unpleasant if not dangerous. Let us remain on Cornell Road and in the neighborhood. Washington County and ODOT crash data show a four-fold increase in crashes in a Beaverton HS commute vs the 2-mile shorter and much safer commute to Sunset.

Second, West TV is and has been a key part of the Sunset community. Our kids attend Sunset youth sports, go to the Cedar Mill Library, shop at grocery stores on Cornell and visit the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market. Our bank, dry cleaner, favorite restaurants, and dentist are on Cornell Road. Our high school should also be on Cornell Road.

Our local pizza place on Barnes Road is decorated with Sunset posters and jerseys. Sunset stickers adorn local car windows, and the grocery store has lots of customers wearing purple. Our community is linked to Sunset.

Safety, transportation, and community all point to leaving the West TV area as part of the Sunset High School catchment area. The petition of about a thousand West TV-area residents echoes the need to keep West TV with Sunset.

The District, through Policy JC, articulated clear criteria, including distance, safety, transportation, and keeping communities together as you redraw high school boundaries. All of these are best served by keeping the West Tualatin View Elementary community in the Sunset boundaries. Thanks for your consideration.

Daphne Teals

Parent of West TV grads now at Cedar Park

drummondk@aol.com

503-203-8046

Subject: Boundary Adjustment Comment Form

Date: Friday, August 5, 2016 at 7:43:09 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us <Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

Name: wendy castineira

Email: casty4@frontier.com

Comment:

I am concerned about the following:

1. separating kids base don socio economic boundaries will further segregate an already segregated community; creating a vacuum for real estate values to escalate wildly in one area; i.e. the new high school boundaries are anticipated to in the 90% higher socio-economic bracket. Accommodating concerns about keeping friends together under the guise of maintaining a higher socio-economic bracket is unacceptable and should be seen as the smoke and mirrors it is.
2. Highland Park middle school has 1/3 students already slated to go to 2 different high schools, there is now 2/3 of the school going to one high school. I do not want further divisions that will break apart elementary schools that are now being proposed to be kept together.

I hope this is clear. If not, I will be happy to clarify. 503-523-9083.
thank you for listening,

Subject: Boundary Adjustment Comment Form

Date: Thursday, August 4, 2016 at 2:14:04 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us <Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

Name: Ann Keisling Smith

Email: pergamon.video@gmail.com

Comment:

Dear Superintendent Grotting:

Welcome to the BSD!

I am the parent of two students who will be at Sunset High School next year, a senior and an incoming freshman. I am writing on behalf of my freshman who is in the graduating class of 2020. This is the one group who I feel has been asked to carry the main burden of the divisive boundary realignment, and I am hoping you are willing to take a closer look at what the Board and the previous Superintendent has asked of this class.

They just finished their 8th grade year at their local middle schools. They will all spend one year in their (current) neighborhood schools. Then they are being asked to move again -- for the third time in three years, to a new school, in my daughter's case, to one in a neighborhood we never ever visit. Most of my daughter's middle school class will get to stay at Sunset, but because we live in the West TV neighborhood, she is being asked to leave Sunset, and 90% of her friends from middle school. I believe, and research backs me up on this, that a child should be allowed to finish at the high school they start. Knowing most of the future development will not happen in the next three years, I strongly encourage you to revisit the transition issue, and allow the class of 2020 (along with the classes of 2018 and 2019) to remain at the school they started.

Please know that I am an alumni of Sunset myself (class of 1975) and we moved back into this neighborhood so my adopted daughters could have the tradition of attending the same school as their mom did.

I would be happy to meet with you further if you would like to discuss this any more.

Again, I am happy to welcome you to the district, and I hope you continue the excellent traditions that makes this such a special district.

Best regards,

Ann Keisling Smith

Subject: Traffic with the new school

Date: Monday, August 8, 2016 at 5:46:45 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Josh <joshuazwick@gmail.com>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

I live behind Rigert road and 175th. Please keep this road in mind when arranging the boundaries. It is a narrow road that already has a lot of traffic and speed racing. I'm worried that adding more cars that road will result in more accidents.

Thanks.

Subject: Boundary Adjustment Comment Form

Date: Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 11:35:10 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us <Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

Name: dr. melanie chase

Email: mcready4change@yahoo.com

Comment:

Could you please advise when a decision will have to be made about redistricting? We are trying to sell our house and it's impacting the purchaser's decision.

Thanks

Subject: Boundary Adjustment Comment Form

Date: Sunday, August 7, 2016 at 2:58:11 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us <Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

Name: Daphne Teals

Email: drummondk@aol.com

Comment:

Dear Superintendent Grotting:

Welcome to the Beaverton School District! We are hearing good things about your willingness to consider community viewpoints as you weigh new high school boundaries. We appreciate your consideration of West Tualatin View Elementary's situation. We are closer to Sunset on safer roads, and Sunset is part of our community.

I write today to urge you to keep West TV Elementary within the Sunset High School boundaries. My family lives in the West Tualatin View Elementary School area, and we see many strong reasons to keep WTV in the Sunset HS boundaries. Distance, safety, and community are just three of the compelling reasons to keep West TV with Sunset.

First, the proposed shift to Beaverton HS would add distance and danger to what's now an easy commute to Sunset HS. The District's efforts to have safe transportation and safe routes to school would be best served by keeping West TV with its closest neighborhood high school, Sunset. We're now on a TriMet route to Sunset, and it's walkable. The prospect of adding new teenage drivers to 217 at rush hour is unpleasant if not dangerous. Let us remain on Cornell Road and in the neighborhood. Washington County and ODOT crash data show a four-fold increase in crashes in a Beaverton HS commute vs the 2-mile shorter and much safer commute to Sunset.

Second, West TV is and has been a key part of the Sunset community. Our kids attend Sunset youth sports, go to the Cedar Mill Library, shop at grocery stores on Cornell and visit the Cedar Mill Farmers' Market. Our bank, dry cleaner, favorite restaurants, and dentist are on Cornell Road. Our high school should also be on Cornell Road.

Our local pizza place on Barnes Road is decorated with Sunset posters and jerseys. Sunset stickers adorn local car windows, and the grocery store has lots of customers wearing purple. Our community is linked to Sunset.

Safety, transportation, and community all point to leaving the West TV area as part of the Sunset High School catchment area. The petition of about a thousand West TV-area residents echoes the need to keep West TV with Sunset.

The District, through Policy JC, articulated clear criteria, including distance, safety, transportation, and keeping communities together as you redraw high school boundaries. All of these are best served by keeping the West Tualatin View Elementary community in the Sunset boundaries. Thanks for your consideration.

Daphne Teals

Parent of West TV grads now at Cedar Park

drummondk@aol.com

503-203-8046

Subject: Oak Hills Elementary

Date: Monday, August 8, 2016 at 9:33:13 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Kayleen Welbourn <kwelbourn@gmail.com>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

Dear Boundary Adjustment Team,

I hope that you continue to reconsider your decision to adjust the boundary lines to split Oak Hills Elementary School in half. It would be ideal to unite the school and feed all of the student in to the same high school. I intentionally moved my family in to the Oak Hills, so they would attend the same schools as their cousins. Unfortunately, with the boundary adjustment, we will now be attending Westview and my niece and nephew are going to Sunset. While we are very blessed to be in an area with 2 stellar high schools, it would be optimal for community building and unity for the entire elementary school to attend the same high school.

Sincerely,

Kayleen Welbourn, concerned parent of Kelsey Welbourn (age 6) and Emily Welbourn (age 4)

Subject: Boundary Adjustment Comment Form

Date: Monday, August 8, 2016 at 1:48:57 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us <Do_Not_Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us>

To: Boundary Adjustment Comments <Boundary-Adjustment-Comments@beaverton.k12.or.us>

Name: Kristi Nelson

Email: klknelson@gmail.com

Comment:

Dear Superintendent Grotting,

First of all, welcome to the Beaverton School District. We're all thrilled to have such an experienced leader at the helm as the district faces such significant changes.

I attended the majority of the boundary committee meetings and have been following this process very closely. I'm relieved to hear that you and the board have heard our concerns about the boundary adjustment process.

My oldest daughter will be a first grader at Cedar Mill ES and is not directly affected by the changes to the high school boundaries with the current proposed map. However, as you direct this final phase of the boundary adjustment, I wanted to provide a few comments for you to consider with respect to transportation and proximity that have not yet been included in the district's analysis.

A significant discussion has been taking place with respect to impacts to District-provided transportation (bussing). However, due to after school activities such as sports or other extracurricular activities, I would assume that more students ride the bus TO school as opposed to LEAVING school. It would be interesting to hear what percentage of students actually ride the bus home as opposed to taking mass transit, biking, and riding in personal vehicles to accommodate their after school activities. These alternative forms of transportation should be considered as well with respect to traffic and safety.

Second, I'm concerned that the district's analysis may not take into account the safety of the relative driving and biking routes to the various schools. The district's analysis should also include an evaluation of roads with significantly higher crash percentages (relative to the amount of traffic on that road). It would be unfortunate if the new high school boundaries placed students a greater risk because young inexperienced drivers were forced to drive along more dangerous routes.

Third, I wanted to share a link to the THPRD trails map (<http://cdn1.thprd.org/pdfs/document2208.pdf>). During the boundary adjustment process, the committee members received maps showing the various parks, greenspaces and trails within the district; however it did not include mass transit or more importantly, bike lanes on surface streets. While there are numerous bike lanes throughout some areas of the district, there are other areas where there are no clear biking routes to the high schools. In particular, there are no clear bike routes between the West TV and Cedar Mill areas to Beaverton High School.

I understand that the boundary revision process is difficult and it is not likely to please everyone in the district. But I wanted to thank you for your effort in trying to improve both the process and the final result.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely

Kristi Nelson

PS: On another note, I'm not sure if the transitions proposals can be reconsidered at this point, but I wanted to share my thoughts on one of the discussions that occurred at the final boundary committee meeting. There was a lengthy discussion regarding transitions for the sophomore class (who will experience the most significant amount of

transitions of all the students in the district.) Stuart Hall, one of the public representatives from Sunset HS, suggested that all sophomores (except those attending the new high school) be allowed the option to finish out their high school career at the school they started with. All of the principals were immediately critical and dismissive of this idea, calling it a “staffing nightmare” and just too difficult for them to consider.

I was extremely disappointed that district administrators were placing their own needs above the needs of their students. Yes, the proposal would be a challenge to plan and implement. But it might just help make this process easier for the students if the administrators and teachers would offer to share some of this burden. The reality is that staffing transitions will be required with the opening of the new school regardless of this proposal. Extending those staffing transitions by a year or two to help minimize student transitions would go a long way to making any boundary change more palatable to the community. I hope you will strongly encourage the high school principals to make significant use of the administrative transfer process to allow these students to remain in the school they started, even if the transfer process is not a 1-to-1 transfer between schools.

Thanks

Carol Marshall
Communications & Community Involvement Department
Superintendent's Office
Beaverton School District
503-356-4360
www.beaverton.k12.or.us
<http://twitter.com/BeavertonSD>

From: terriboone579@aol.com <terriboone579@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 9, 2016 1:36 PM
To: Community Involvement
Subject: Re: BSD Briefs - August 8, 2016

The link provided for the boundary process doesn't work. Can you please submit the following feedback for me?

As a single parent, I'm concerned about the travel times now that my son will have to travel a much longer distance to travel to get to his school. I will no longer be able to make it to work on time given there is no bus service and we will need to drive him to school. Since we live one block off the boundary line, the only option we have it to now apply for open enrollment at another school due to the hardship.

Terri Boone
terriboone579@aol.com
503-784-3009

-----Original Message-----

From: Beaverton School District <Do-Not-Reply@beaverton.k12.or.us>
To: [terriboone579](mailto:terriboone579@aol.com) <terriboone579@aol.com>
Sent: Mon, Aug 8, 2016 8:01 am
Subject: BSD Briefs - August 8, 2016

BSD Briefs - August 8, 2016

BSD BRIEFS

A publication of the Beaverton School District Communications & Community In

Greetings:

The [August 8, 2016](#) edition of the BSD Briefs is now available.
In this issue:

- Back-to-School Packet 2016-2017
- High School Boundary Process Update
- Early Release/Teacher Collaboration

- Early Release/Teacher Collaboration
- Change to student login
- Water Quality Information Update
- Beaverton School District Clothes Closet reopens Wednesday, August 31
- District seeks applicants for Capital Construction Bond Citizen Accountability Committee
- SchoolMessenger Notification System
- And MUCH more!

This Weekly publication provides parents/guardians and community members with news and opportunities, and a range of resources.

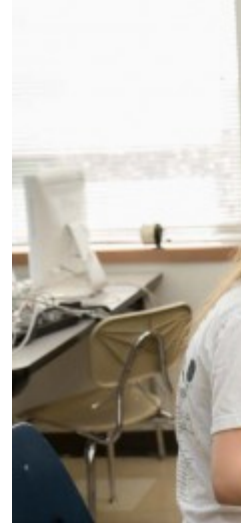
To access this and previous issues of the newsletter, visit the [District's Publications webpage](#). Email the [Communications & Community Involvement Department](#).



Back-to-School Packet

Please read the [Back-to-School Packet for 2016-2017](#) for important back-to-school information including:

- First day of school
- Regular school schedules
- Kindergarten information
- 2016-2017 School Calendar
- And MUCH more



High School

At the School I members present areas of proximity additional information times listed, as v information on ca

District Goal:

WE empower all students to achieve post-high school success.

Beaverton School District 48 would like to continue connecting with you via email. If you prefer to be removed from our list, please contact Beaverton School District 48 directly. To stop receiving all email messages distributed through our SchoolMessenger service, follow this link and confirm: [Unsubscribe](#)
 SchoolMessenger is a notification service used by the nation's leading school systems to connect with parents, students and staff through voice, SMS text, email, and social media.