

Student Assignment Planning (SAP) Community Discovery Tour

Agenda



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Project Overview

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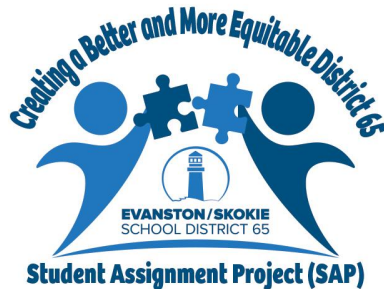
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SAP PHASE 1

VOTE

SAP Phase Once Synopsis

- ✓ In spring 2021, District 65 embarked on a multi-year process to develop a comprehensive Student Assignment Plan (SAP) in order to modernize its structure and address historic inequities that continue to most significantly impact students of color.
- ✓ The District had not reviewed attendance boundaries holistically or recommended changes in nearly 30 years.
- ✓ The SAP Committee, comprised of a diverse team of D65 staff, parents/caregivers, community members and consulting experts, reviewed District 65's student assignment system using existing data and an interactive student assignments tool developed by Northwestern University to create over 50 new boundary scenarios.
- ✓ After over a year of robust community engagement and committee planning, on March 14, 2022, the Board approved a new Student Assignment Plan and a funding plan to build a school in Evanston's Fifth Ward.



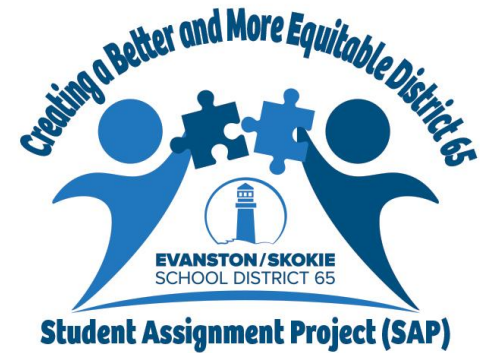
2022 Approved Changes

Boundary Lines

- ✓ Construction of a 5th Ward School (K-8)
- ✓ Bessie Rhodes school co-located on the 5th Ward campus (magnet school within a school)
- ✓ Elementary and Middle School Boundary Revisions
- ✓ No change to overall middle school feeder pattern (with exception of 5th ward school).

Programming

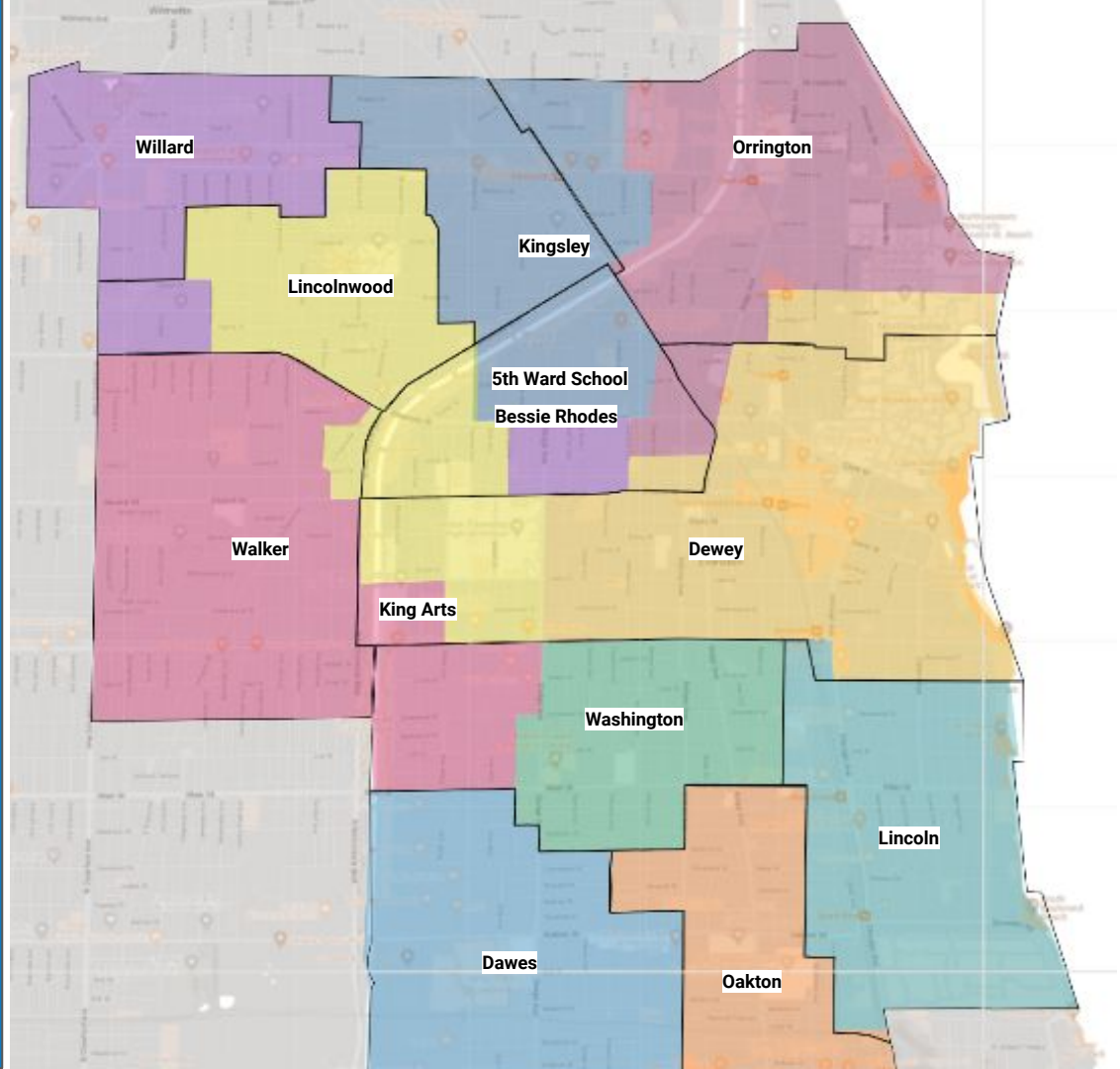
- ✓ Currently underway



New Elementary Boundaries Map

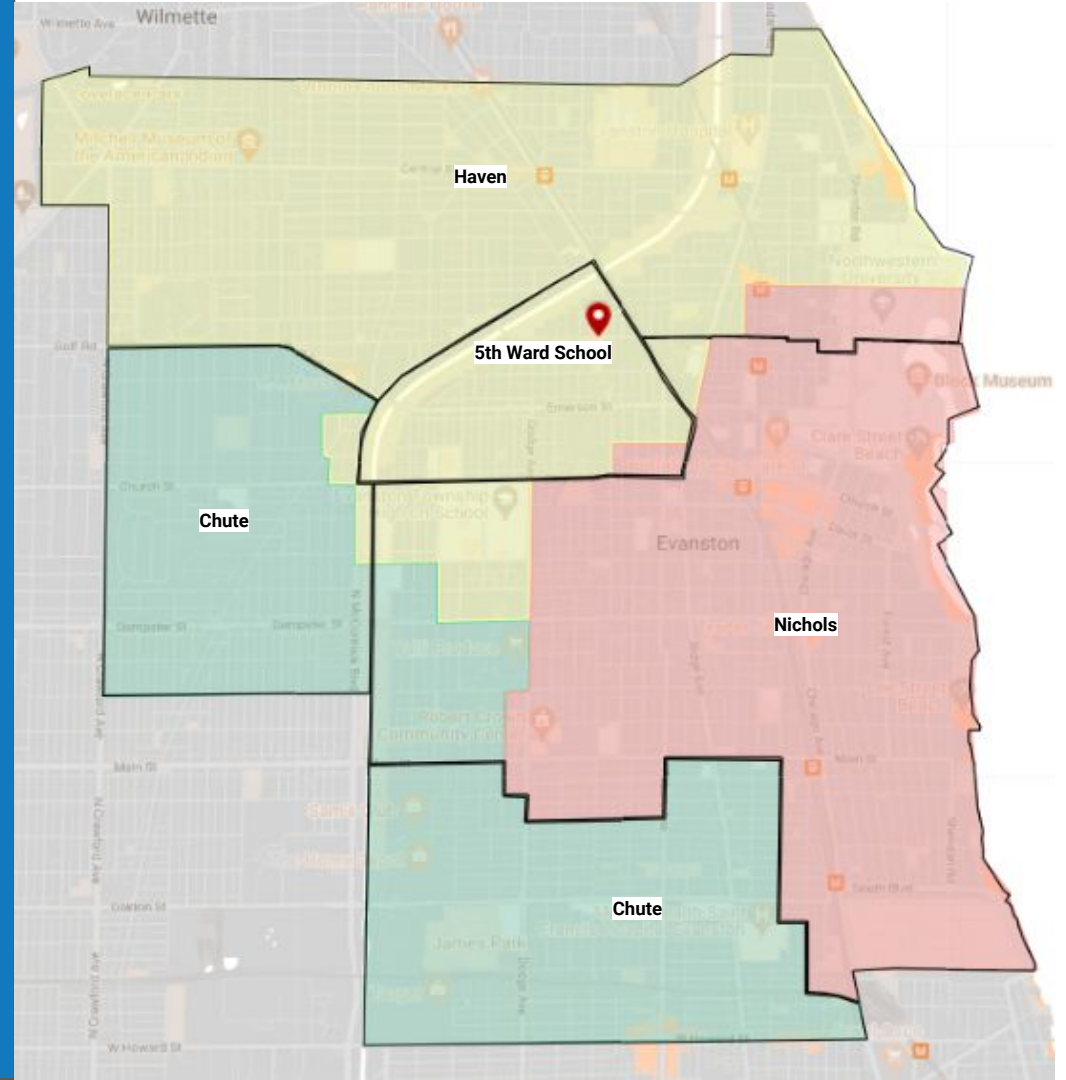
As early as 2025-26

Interactive map on the SAP website here



New Middle School Boundaries Map

As early as 2025-26



Interactive map on the SAP website here

NEW 5th Ward **SCHOOL**

D65 5th Ward School Plan



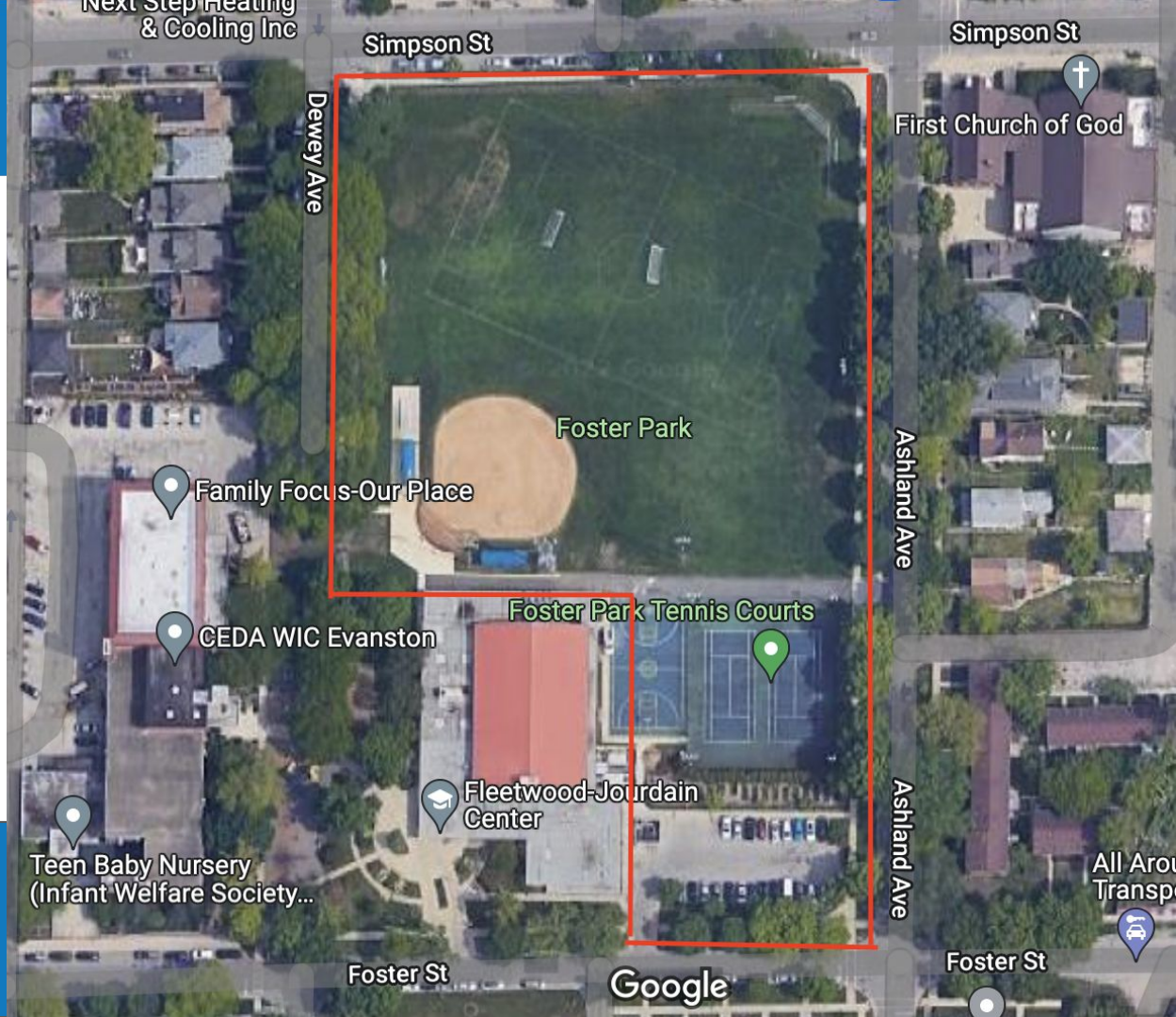
- Open a K-8 school in the 5th ward
- School will serve the Bessie Rhodes Magnet program
- 5th ward community input on programming, shared space, and naming
- Opening as early as the 2025 school year
- Breaking ground as early as 2023



Foster School

Location

- D65 owns property in the 5th ward
- Working with the City of Evanston to preserve green space and review architecture renderings
- 118k square foot building



Potential Policy **RECOMMENDATIONS**

D65 Policy Change Suggestions



Policy 7:30 Student Assignment and Intra-District Transfer (Permissive Transfer)



New Permissive Transfer Policy Suggestion:

- ➔ Keep student change of residence during the year can finish final year at current school.
- ➔ Remove, *demonstrate that the student could be better accommodated by the education program at another school.*
- ➔ Add, *D65 will allow K-5 families to apply for permissive transfers in the following zones based on middle feeder patterns:*
 - *Zone 1 : Kingsley, Lincolnwood, Orrington, Willard, and 5th ward school (Haven or 5th ward school)*
 - *Zone 2: Dewey, Lincoln, and Washington (Nichols)*
 - *Zone 3: Dawes, Oakton, and Walker (Chute)*

**Buildings do not currently have capacity to allow transfer for middle school students. This can be revisited annually.*

D65 Policy Change Suggestions



Policy 7:32 Magnet Schools/Programs



New Magnet Schools/Programs Policy Suggestion:

- ➔ Keep the twenty percent (20%) of new admissions for students in safe walking distance, balance of enrollment, and sibling preference.
- ➔ Add a section that addresses access for all communities or a more equitable lottery system for magnet program enrollment.
- ➔ A focused registration process to ensure students are submitting an application based on program and understand the program deliverables and commitments.
- ➔ Prioritized school that are crowded.

SAP PHASE II

NEXT STEPS

What's Next ?



Discovery Meetings

Click [here](#) to see all of our community discovery tour dates, times, and locations.



Development of SAP Phase II Committee

SAP Phase II Committee application will be sent in December 2022.

Committee selections will take place by January 2023.

Committee work January - May 2023.

Present Program and Policy Recommendations to D65 Board

May 2023!

Share your voice!

Following a community engagement process, the Board of Education approved the re-districting of our school attendance boundaries and construction of a 5th Ward school. Now, we want to hear from you about Magnet and Specialized programs.

Download the
QR code for in-
person and virtual
engagement
sessions
beginning Oct. 12,
2022



Magnet and Specialized Programs

- **How can we improve them?**
- **Where should they be housed?**

Magnet Programs

African Centered Curriculum (ACC)
Two-way Immersion Program (TWI)
King Arts Magnet School
Bessie Rhodes School of Global Studies

Specialized Programs

Park School
Rice Educational Center
RISE
STEP

YOUR THOUGHTS



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What should we consider in phase II regarding the location of the program?



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How do we ensure programs are equitable across the district?



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THANK YOU!

Student assignment is a part of our multi-faceted approach to long-term planning for the future of our public schools.