



Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are fortunate to have a supportive community that overwhelmingly approved a school bond measure in 2014, resulting in several new schools that will open for the 2017-18 school year. The openings of High School #4, Elementary #21 and the new Timmerman Elementary will allow PfISD to address ongoing growth and over-crowding in our existing schools.

With the excitement of new school openings comes the need to balance the enrollment in our existing schools. As your superintendent, it is my responsibility to ensure that every student enrolled in a PfISD school receives a quality education in a safe environment conducive to learning. As such, it is necessary to examine our existing school boundaries and make the appropriate adjustments.

How do we decide which boundaries to adjust – and how they are adjusted? Our board of trustees approved the parameters of the boundary adjustment with the following criteria:

- facility utilization
- student impact
- natural boundaries and hazards
- feeder pattern consideration

Next, using these parameters, our demographer carefully studied current and future growth patterns throughout PfISD. What resulted is an initial boundary plan that was presented to the Board of Trustees on November 3.

This initial plan, along with other information about the boundary process, timeline, frequently asked questions, maps, etc., can be viewed at www.pfisd.net/boundaries. I encourage you to visit the boundary website, which also has an email link to send comments. That email address is boundaryfeedback@pfisd.net.

The opening of High School #4 will impact some existing freshman students at Hendrickson High School, as well as current 8th graders at Cele and Dessau middle schools who are currently zoned to attend Hendrickson. The opening of Elementary #21 could impact students at Riojas and Rowe Lane elementary schools. Additionally, to relieve enrollment at Kelly Lane Middle School, there are potential changes to the attendance zones for Park Crest and Pflugerville middle schools. Finally, to relieve enrollment at Highland Park Elementary, there are proposed changes to the boundaries for Brookhollow Elementary.



Because your child(ren) may be impacted by the upcoming boundary changes, we want to provide you with the maximum amount of input over the next two months – before the board makes its final decision in January 2017. Thus, we are holding 7 community input sessions at each school potentially impacted by the proposed boundary changes. At these meetings, PfISD administrators will share information about the boundary proposal and listen to community feedback. Staff will share the boundary process and the factors that contributed to the proposed plan. Your feedback will be shared with the Board of Trustees prior to their decision.

You may attend any of the following sessions – not just the one at your child’s school. They will be held from 6-7 p.m. in the school cafeteria, unless otherwise noted. We have attached a flyer for your convenience, which includes campus addresses, as well as meeting locations and times.

- Nov. 30 - Hendrickson H.S. PAC
- Dec. 5 - Riojas ES
- Dec. 7 - Kelly Lane MS
- Dec. 8 - Rowe Lane ES
- Jan. 4 - Park Crest MS
- Jan. 5 - Highland Park ES
- Jan. 10 - PfISD Administration Building (6:30-7:30 p.m.)

Re-drawing boundaries is a challenge that comes with the growth and popularity of PfISD schools and the surrounding community, it is unavoidable. We look forward to your input to make this process as complete and thorough as possible. In the end, it is all about the success and future of our students – your children. Thank you for your continued support of PfISD!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Alex Torrez'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is placed on a light gray rectangular background.

Dr. Alex Torrez
Superintendent of Schools