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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Last year, the Board of Education approved an updated Elementary Redistricting Plan. The purpose of the plan is to address anticipated enrollment growth associated with new housing developments on the Allen W. Roberts side of town, while maintaining a more overall balanced student population between Allen W. Roberts and Salt Brook, both now and in the future. To support families impacted by the redistricting plan, the Board also approved a sibling exception provision for incoming kindergarten students residing in the redistricting zone who had an older sibling attending Allen W. Roberts.

As part of our ongoing responsibility to review District policies and plans, the Board of Education recently revisited the sibling exception provision of the plan. While the original decision to include parameters around the sibling exception provision was appropriately determined based on enrollment projections available at the time, we now have two years of actual enrollment data to guide our decision-making.

Based on this updated information, the Board has approved the following change:

- **The sibling exception provision will be eliminated.**
- **Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, incoming kindergarten students who reside in the redistricting zone and have an older sibling attending Allen W. Roberts will be permitted to attend Allen W. Roberts and remain there through sixth grade.**

This decision reflects the Board's commitment to making informed decisions based on the best available data. As enrollment patterns evolve, the District will continue to monitor enrollment trends and future housing developments to support overall balanced student enrollment between Allen W. Roberts and Salt Brook, while planning responsibly for future growth. All enrollment decisions will continue to be made in accordance with [Board Policy 2312 - Class Size](#).

We appreciate the partnership of our community as we continue to make thoughtful, data-informed decisions that serve the best interests of all students.

Respectfully,

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