Planning for the Future

West Sector Elementary Schools

Community Zoning Meetings

November 2026

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Our Goals for Today

REVIEW:
District Planning Considerations

EXPLORE:
Zoning Scenarios

ENGAGE:
Zoning Scenarios

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How We Got Here: **Roadmap and Next Steps**

April 2023

Farragut Solution added to Capital Improvement Plan to **address overcrowding.**

January 2024

Based on community engagement and best practices, the Board of Education voted to **construct a new K-5 elementary school** in Farragut and **convert the existing Primary and Intermediate schools into K-5 elementary schools.**

November 2026

Community zoning meetings to **identify the best whole-community solution** to ***generate the most capacity in the most schools.***

December 2026

Formal zoning **proposal presented to the Board of Education** for consideration.

West Sector: **School Capacity**



The new school adds a total of **1,400** seats to the western sector of the county. *At 80% total utilization, that's* **1,120** *seats available to address overcrowding and future growth.*



Of that number, **650** seats are needed to alleviate overcrowding and address future growth in Farragut.



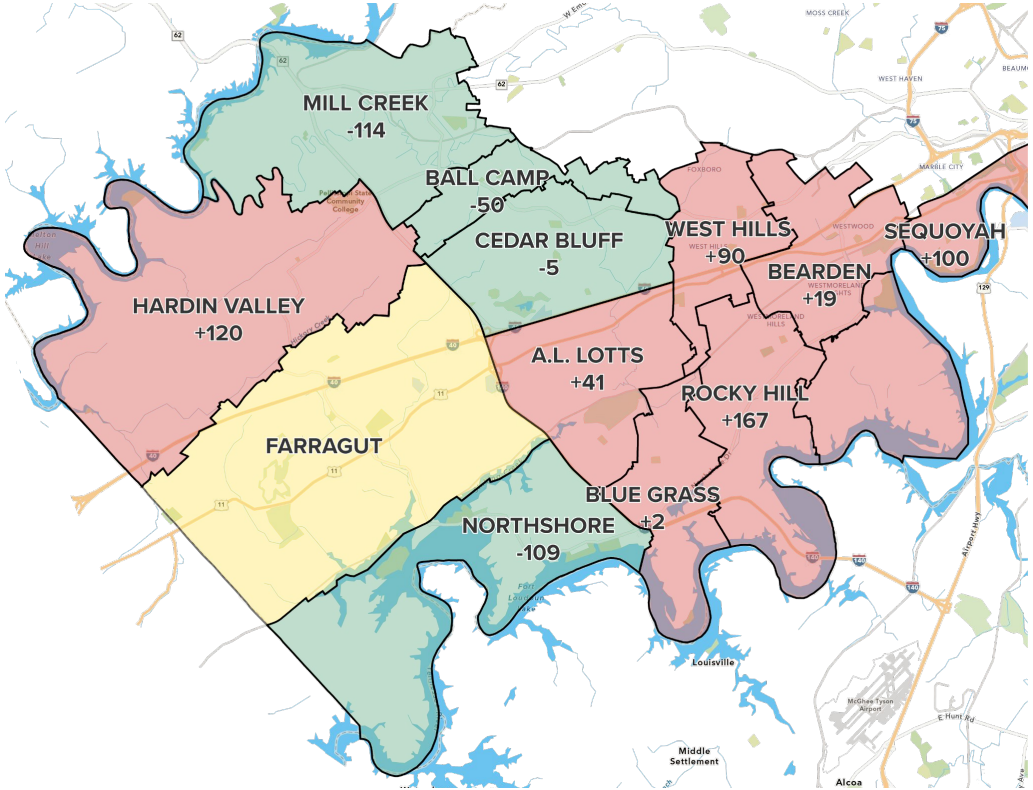
That leaves **470** seats to provide for additional relief and future planning across the west sector.

West Sector: **Elementary School Capacity**

Schools Over 80% Capacity*

Hardin Valley
A.L. Lotts
Blue Grass
Rocky Hill
West Hills
Bearden
Sequoyah

** Based on 2026 enrollment, without portables*



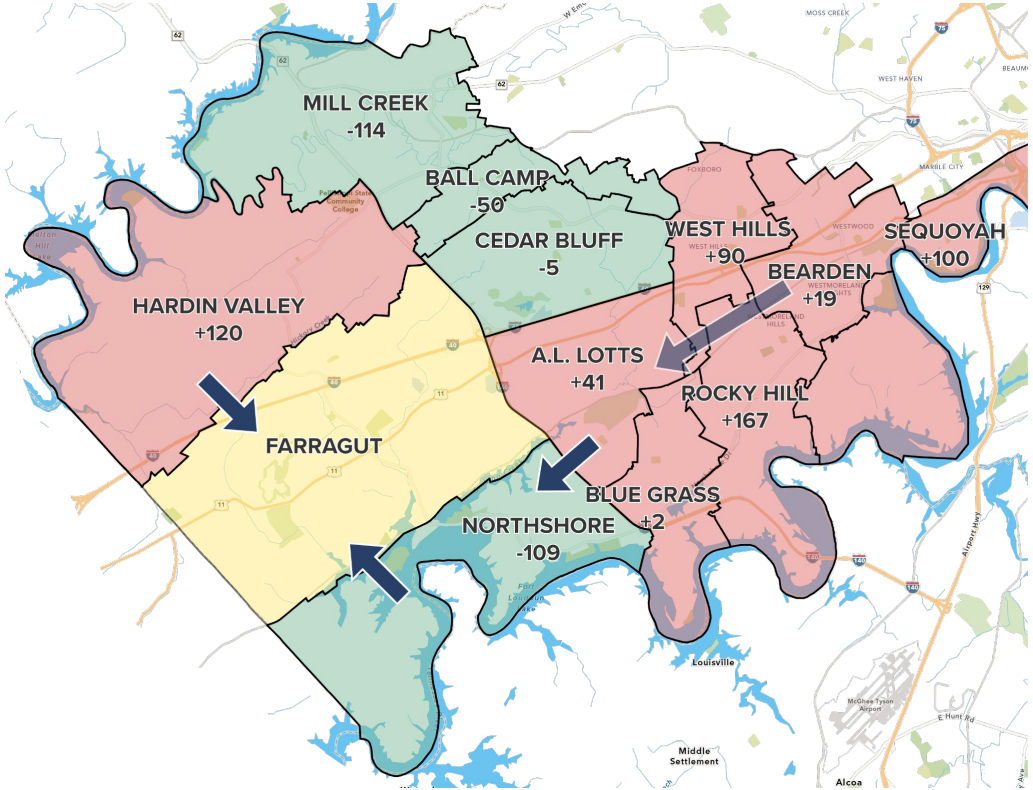
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West Sector: **Elementary School Capacity**

Future Planning Opportunities

Areas of
Hardin Valley
move south
into Farragut

Kingston Pike /
Northshore
corridor moves west



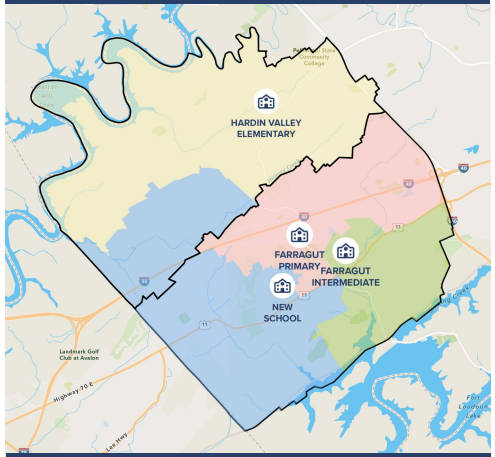
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What We Know

FUTURE CHALLENGE	CURRENT OPPORTUNITY	OUR COMMITMENT
The Hardin Valley area and the Kingston Pike / Northshore corridors are nearing or experiencing overcrowding.	The new school has added capacity to the western sector of Knox County. We can leverage that relief to generate capacity in Hardin Valley or along Kingston Pike / Northshore.	We will propose the best long-range plan for the district, while honoring the insight and feedback of currently enrolled families.

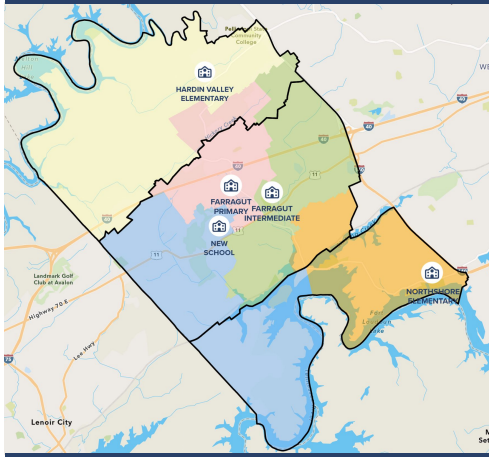
Zoning Scenarios

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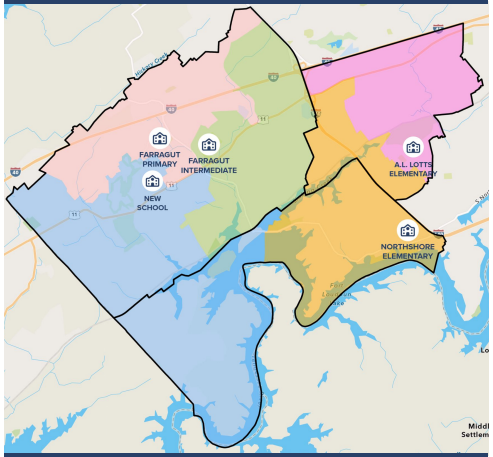
Farragut Area
+ Hardin Valley Elementary

SCENARIO **TWO**



Farragut Area
+ Hardin Valley Elementary
+ Northshore Elementary

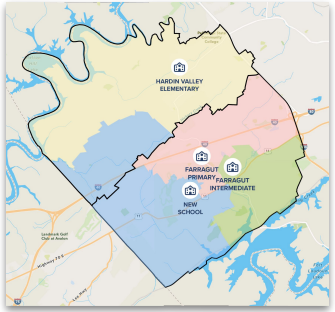
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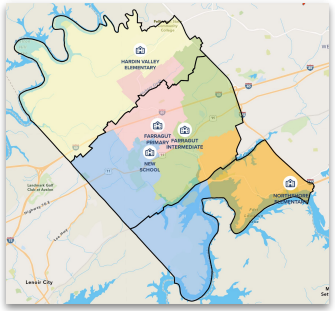


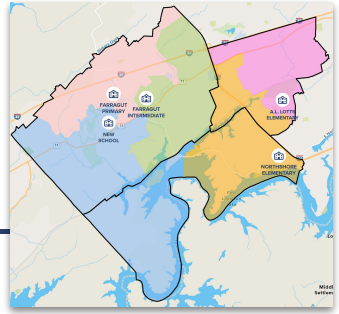
Farragut Area
+ Northshore Elementary
+ A.L. Lotts Elementary

Planning for the Future:
Zoning Scenarios

- These are **possible scenarios**, designed to generate the most long-term relief for the most communities.
- Our goal today will be to review each scenario and collect feedback.
- Feedback will be used to generate a final proposal to be made to the Board of Education.

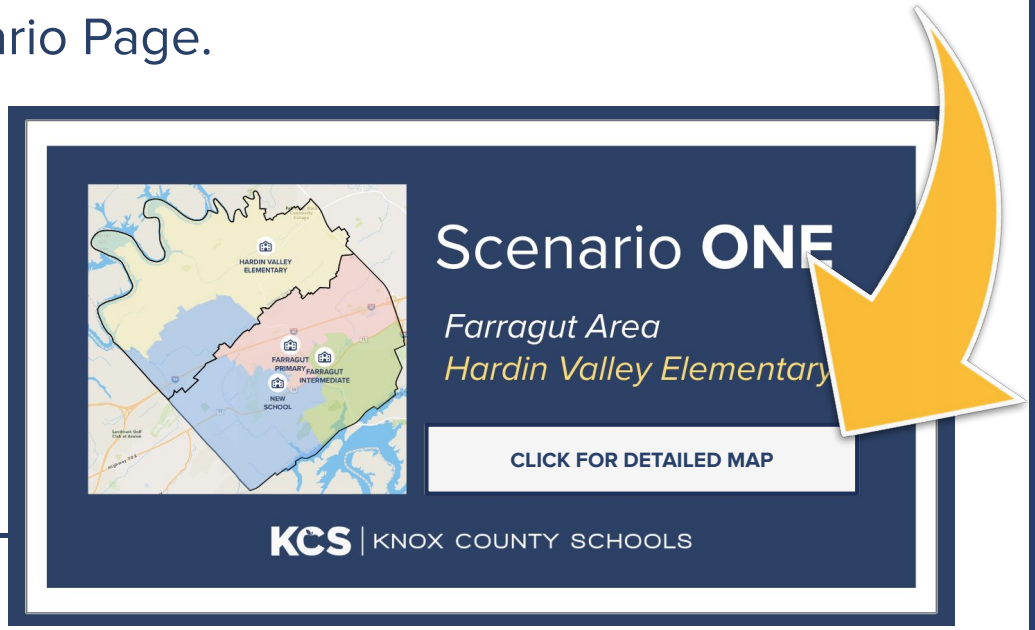






Navigating Scenario Maps

1. Open the presentation using the QR code.
2. To zoom in for street-specific intersections, click the **DETAILED MAP** link on each Scenario Page.



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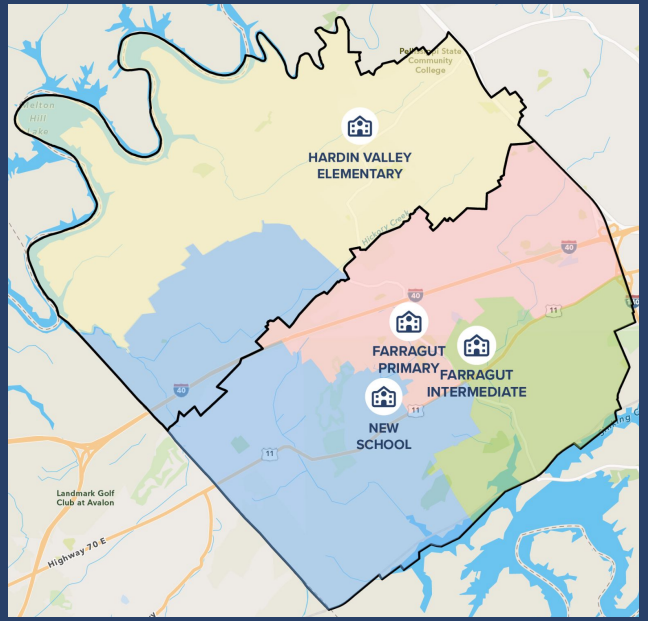
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ZONING

Methodology
Scenarios
Implications

Zoning: **Methodology and Process**

- ➔ Draw zone lines in obvious and logical places to the extent possible.
  Utilize natural landforms (ridges, rivers, etc.) and man-made barriers (interstates, large roadways, etc.).
- ➔ Account for anticipated enrollment changes.
- ➔ Align feeder patterns to the greatest extent possible to keep the greatest number of students with their peer group.
- ➔ Invite the community to participate in an open dialogue.
- ➔ Set each impacted school up for long-term success.



Scenario **ONE**

Farragut Area

Hardin Valley Elementary

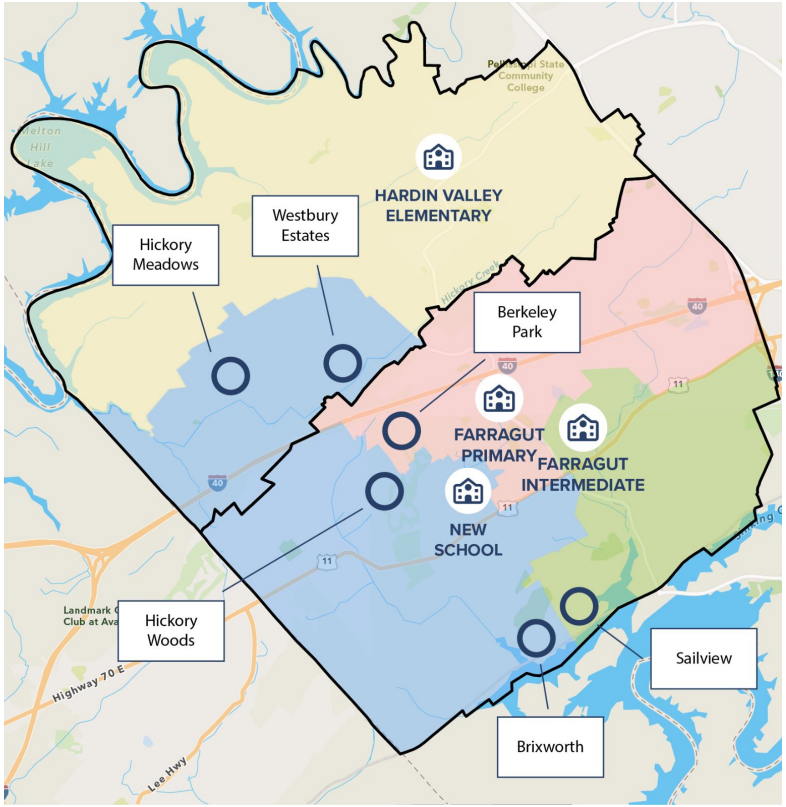
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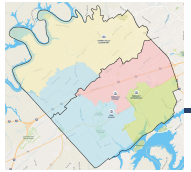
Zoning Scenario **ONE**

School	Capacity*	Current Enrollment	2027 Projected Enrollment	2030 Projected Enrollment
Farragut Primary	900	929	633	691
Farragut Interm.	900	1,116	628	718
New School	1,400	—	925	1,030
Hardin Valley	1,016	934	860	966

**Capacity reflects programmatic and not total building capacity.*

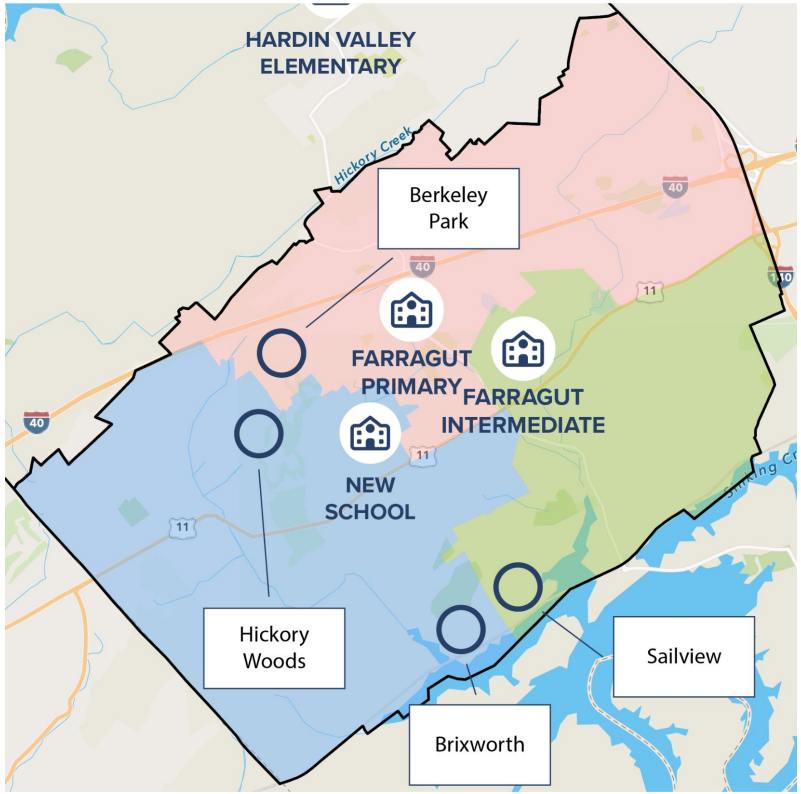


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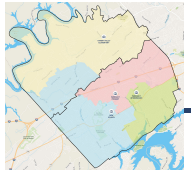


Zoning Scenario **ONE** — **Farragut Area** Impact

Neighborhood	Scenario Drive Time
Berkeley Park	2 miles, 7 minutes
Sailview	3 miles, 9 minutes
Brixworth	3 miles, 7 minutes
Hickory Woods	2 miles, 6 minutes

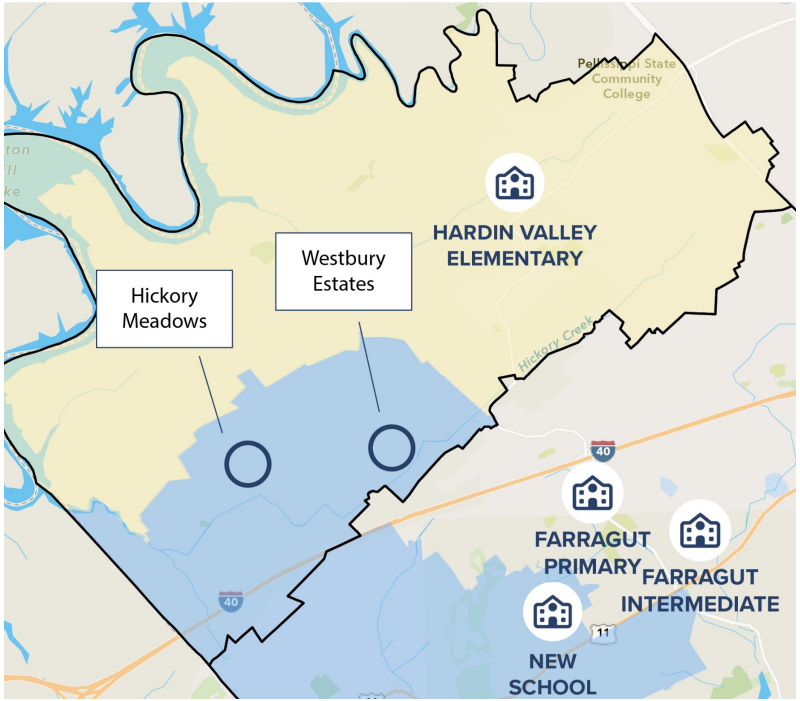


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Zoning Scenario **ONE** — **Hardin Valley** Impact

Neighborhood	Current Drive Time	Scenario Drive Time
Westbury Estates	3.5 miles 10 minutes	5.5 miles 14 minutes
Hickory Meadows	4 miles 11 minutes	7 miles 15 minutes



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Zoning Scenario **ONE** — Implications

Future Growth

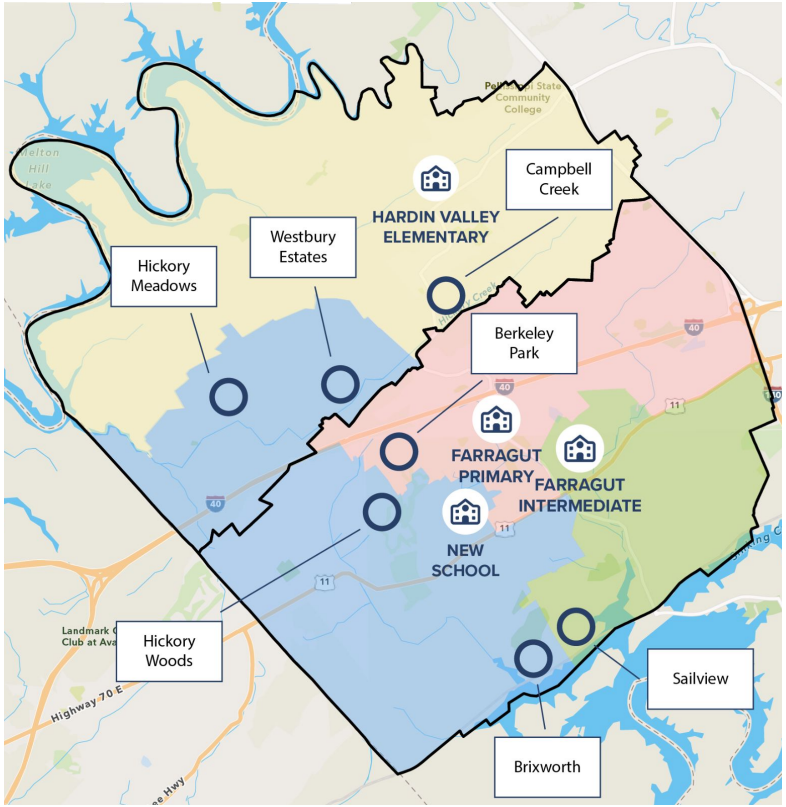
- ➔ Long-range relief to HVES
- ➔ Some immediate relief

Portable Need

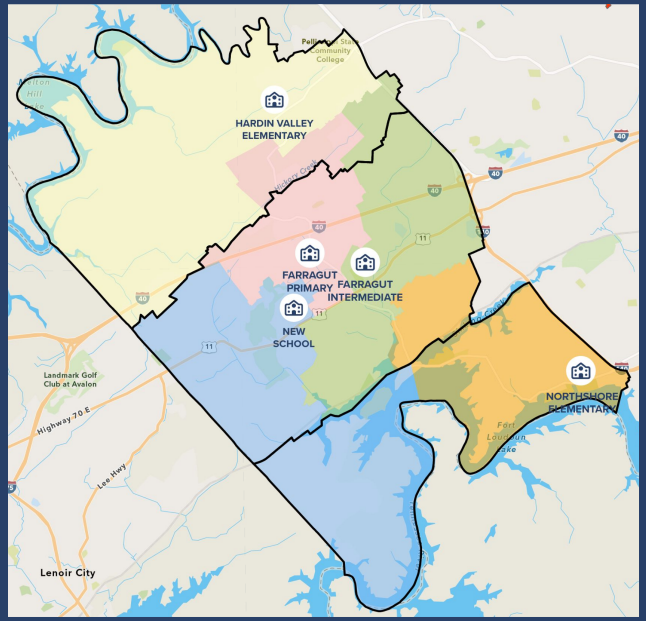
- ➔ Does ***not*** eliminate

Feeder Patterns

- ➔ Rezoned HVES students:
  New School → HVMS → HVA



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Scenario **TWO**

Farragut Area

Hardin Valley Elementary

Northshore Elementary

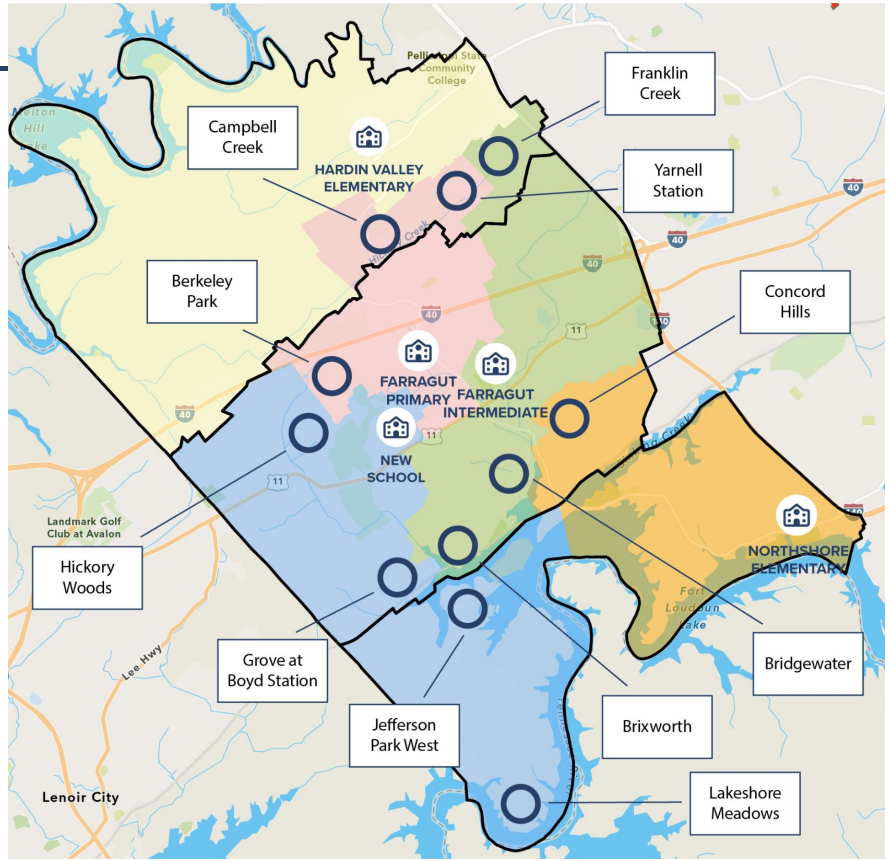
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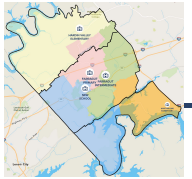
Zoning Scenario **TWO**

School	Capacity*	Current Enrollment	2027 Projected Enrollment	2030 Projected Enrollment
Farragut Primary	900	929	690	731
Farragut Interm.	900	1,116	668	738
New School	1,400	—	1,123	1,237
Hardin Valley	1,016	934	761	905
Northshore	1,348	967	790	896

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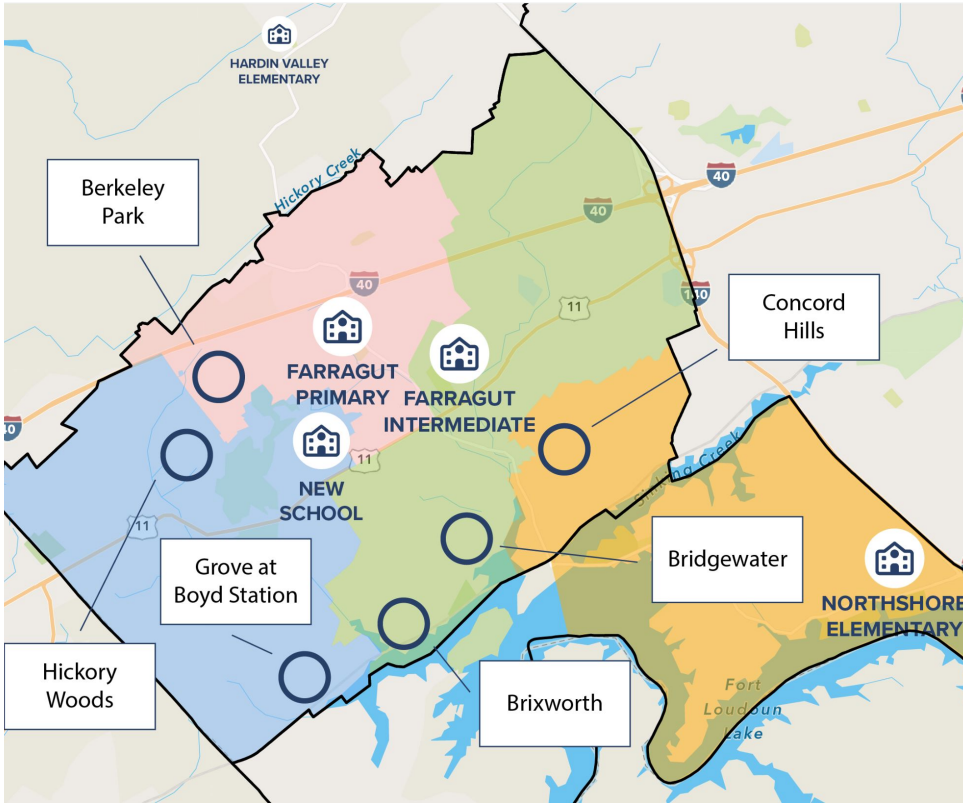


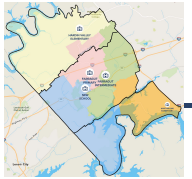
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Zoning Scenario **TWO** — **Farragut Area** Impact

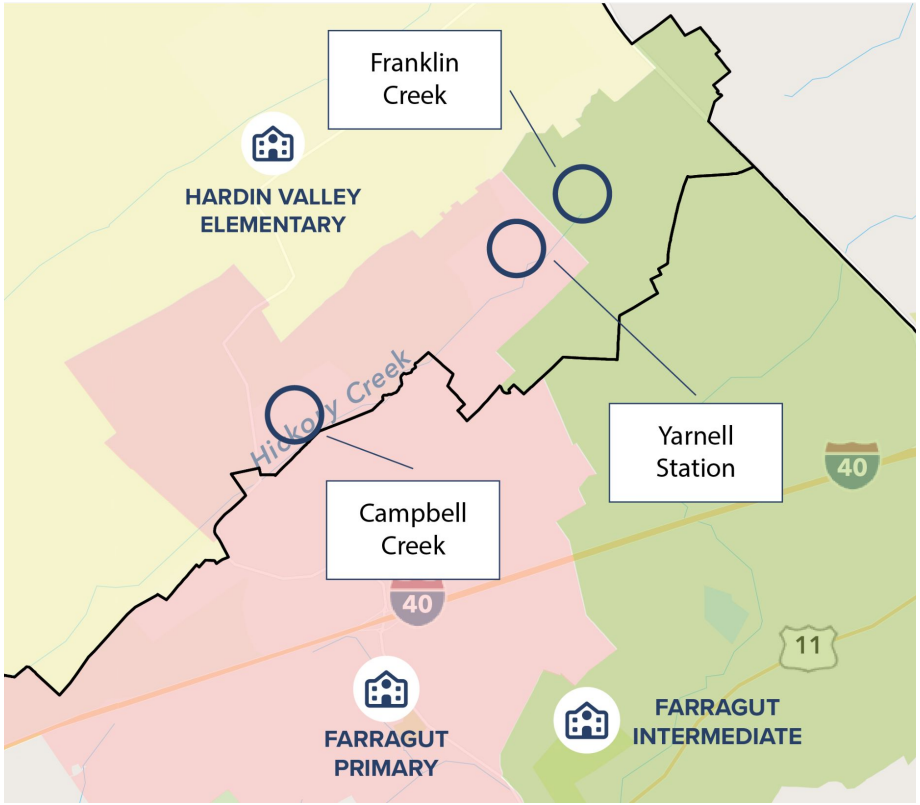
Neighborhood	Current Drive Time	Scenario Drive Time
Berkeley Park	—	2 miles 7 minutes
Concord Hills	3 miles 8 minutes	6.5 miles 15 minutes
Brixworth	—	3.5 miles 10 minutes
Bridgewater	—	2 miles 7 minutes
Hickory Woods	—	2 miles 6 minutes
Grove at Boyd Station	—	3.5 miles 8 minutes



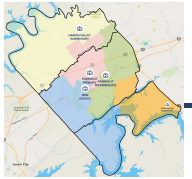


Zoning Scenario **TWO** — **Hardin Valley** Impact

Neighborhood	Current Drive Time	Scenario Drive Time
Franklin Creek	4 miles 10 minutes	5 miles 14 minutes
Yarnell Station	3.5 miles 9 minutes	4 miles 12 minutes
Campbell Creek	2 miles 7 minutes	2.5 miles 8 minutes

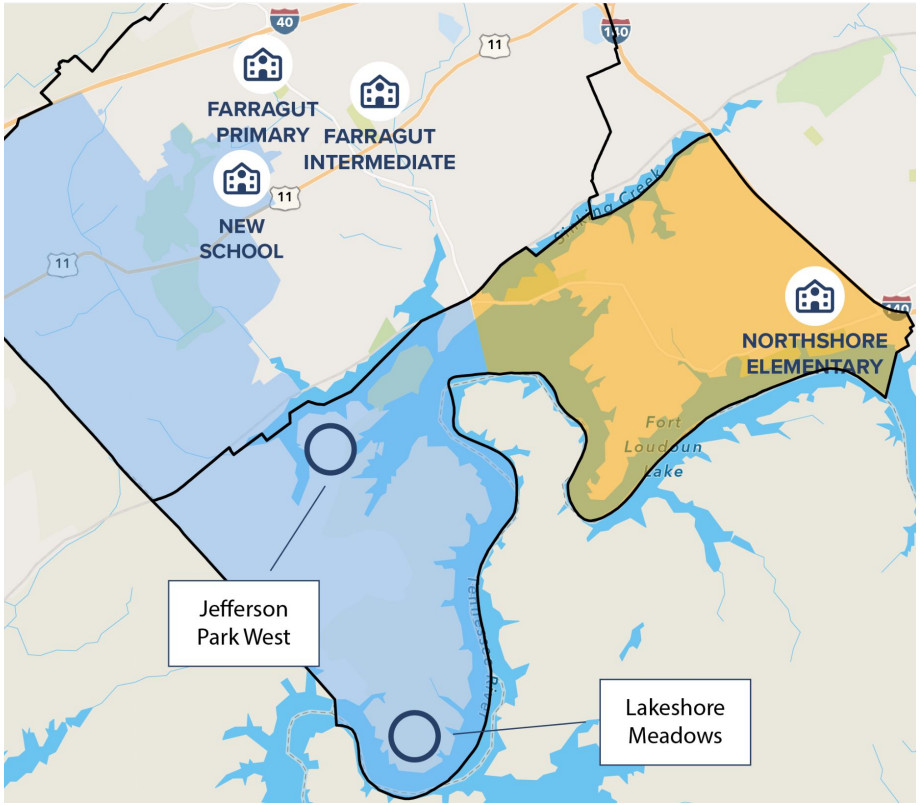


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Zoning Scenario **TWO** — **Northshore** Impact

Neighborhood	Current Drive Time	Scenario Drive Time
Jefferson Park West	7 miles 15 minutes	5.5 miles 13 minutes
Lakeshore Meadows	10.5 miles 22 minutes	8 miles 16 minutes



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Zoning Scenario **TWO** — Implications

Future Growth

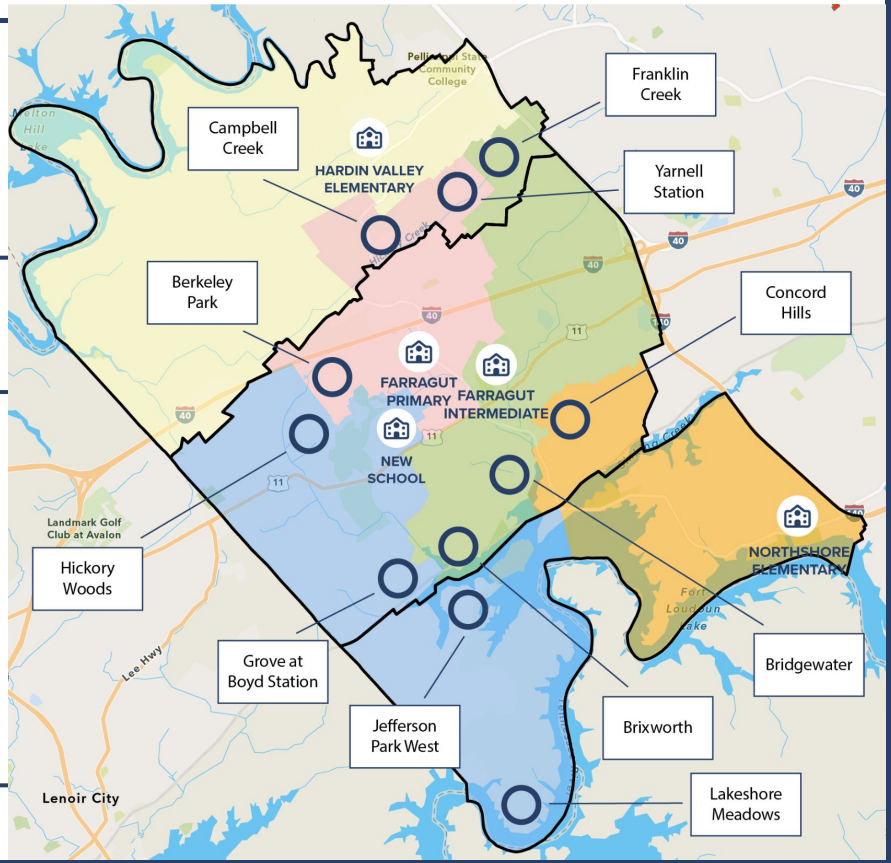
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- ➔ Opportunity for limited relief for Kingston Pike and Northshore corridors

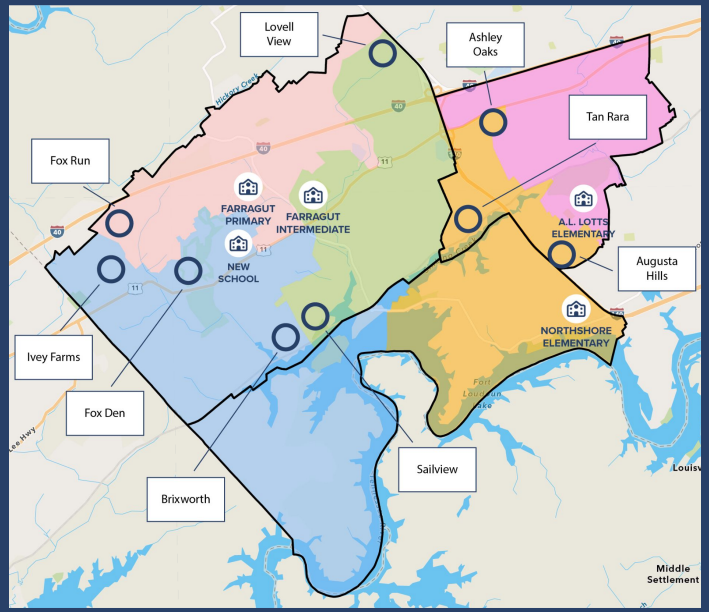
Portable Need

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Feeder Patterns

- ➔ Rezoned HVES students:
  New School ➔ HVMS ➔ HVA
- ➔ Rezoned Farragut students:
  Northshore ➔ FMS ➔ FHS
- ➔ Rezoned Northshore students:
  New School ➔ FMS ➔ FHS





Scenario THREE

Farragut Area

Northshore Elementary

A.L. Lotts Elementary

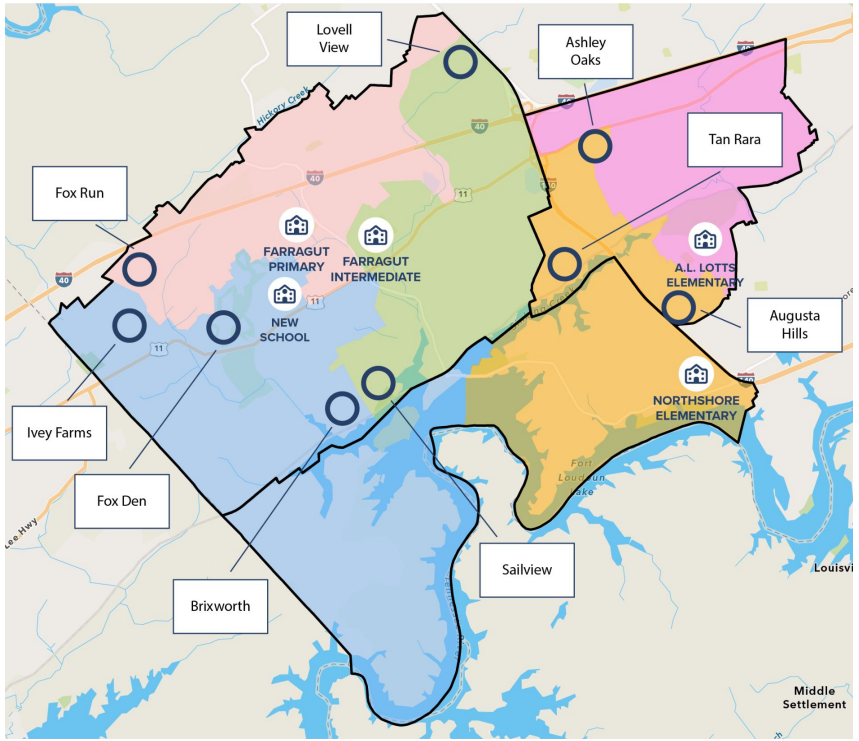
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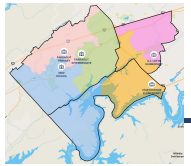
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Farragut Interm.	900	1,116	680	793
New School	1,400	—	1,158	1,230
A.L. Lotts	996	838	665	732
Northshore	1,348	969	765	890

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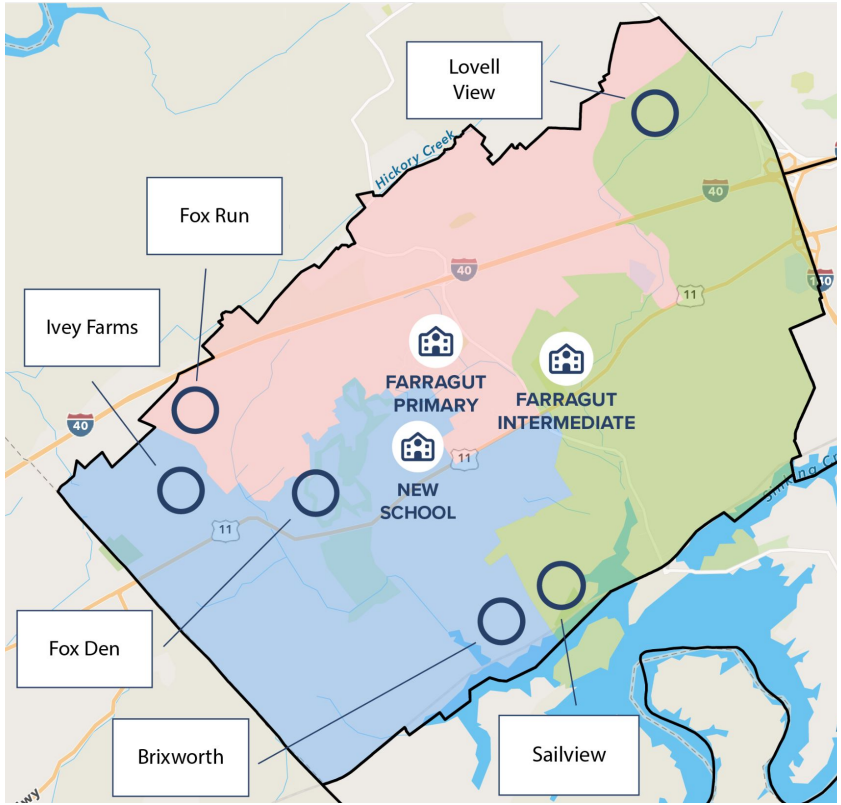


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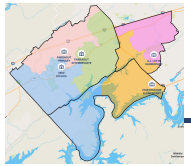


Zoning Scenario **THREE** — **Farragut Area** Impact

Neighborhood	Scenario Drive Time
Lovell View	4.5 miles, 13 minutes
Sailview	3 miles, 9 minutes
Brixworth	3 miles, 7 minutes
Fox Den	1.7 miles, 5 minutes
Ivey Farms	2.5 miles, 6 minutes
Fox Run	3 miles, 7 minutes

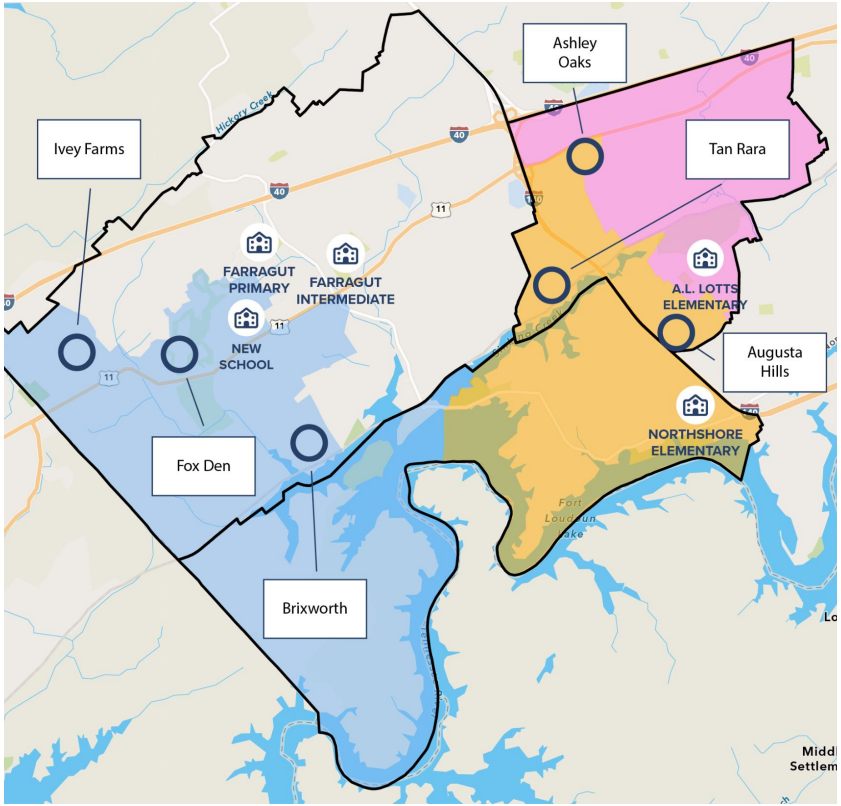


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Zoning Scenario **THREE** — **Northshore / A.L. Lotts** Impact

Neighborhood	Current Drive Time	Scenario Drive Time
Ashley Oaks	4 miles 10 minutes	6 miles 10 minutes
Tan Rara	2.5 miles 7 minutes	4 miles 9 minutes
Augusta Hills	2 miles 6 minutes	3 miles 8 minutes
Brixworth	—	3 mi., 7 minutes
Fox Den	—	2 mi., 5 minutes
Ivey Farms	—	2.5 miles, 6 minutes



Zoning Scenario **THREE** — Implications

Future Growth

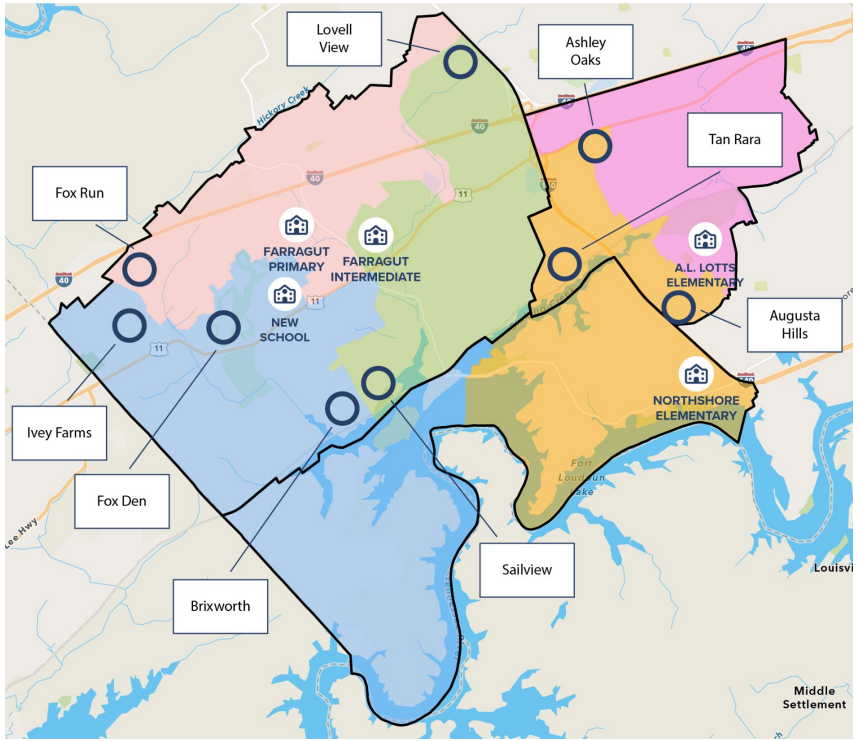
- ➔ Opportunity for future relief for Kingston Pike / Northshore corridors
- ➔ FPS will open at 81% capacity, and the new school will open at 83% capacity

Portable Need

- ➔ Eliminates the need for ***all*** portables at A.L. Lotts

Feeder Patterns

- ➔ Rezoned Northshore students: *New School ➔ FMS ➔ FHS*



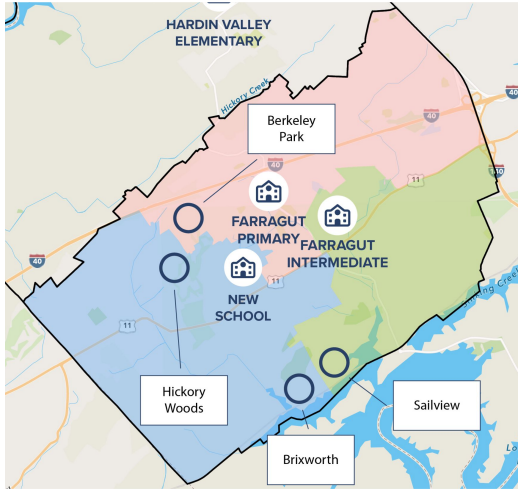
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Impact by Area
Long-Range Considerations

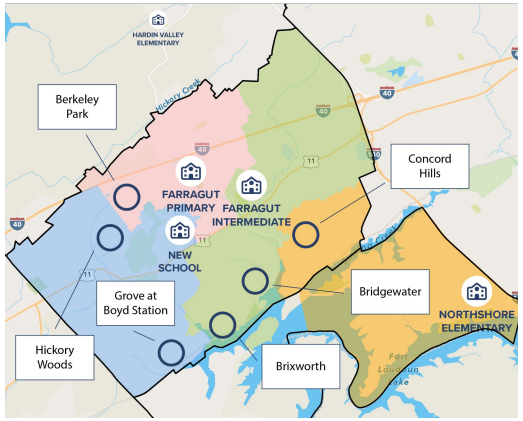
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Farragut Area Potential Impact

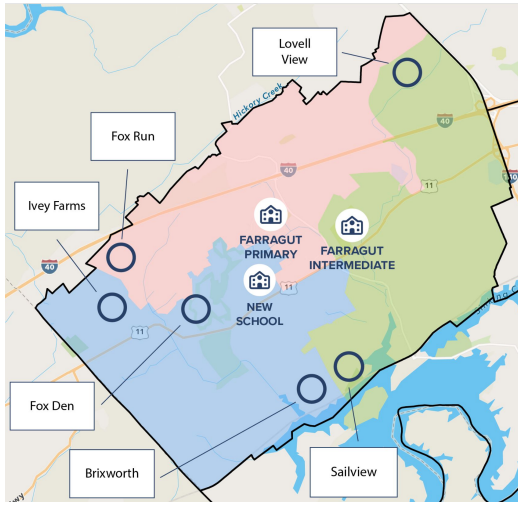
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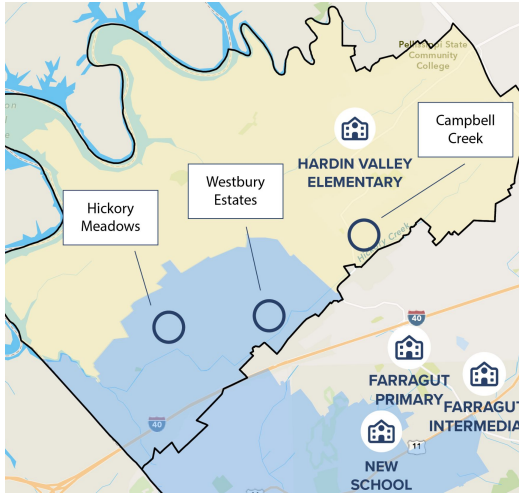


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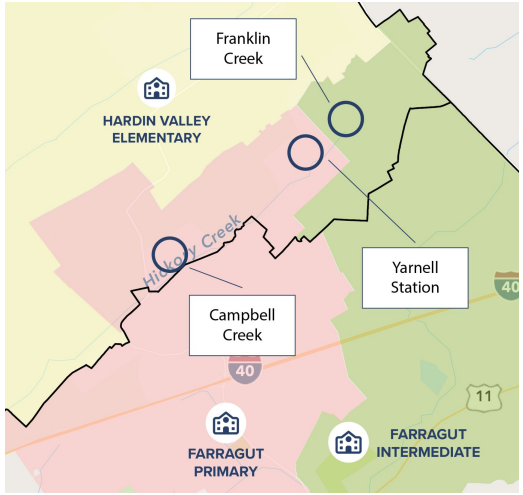


Hardin Valley Potential Impact

SCENARIO **ONE**



SCENARIO **TWO**



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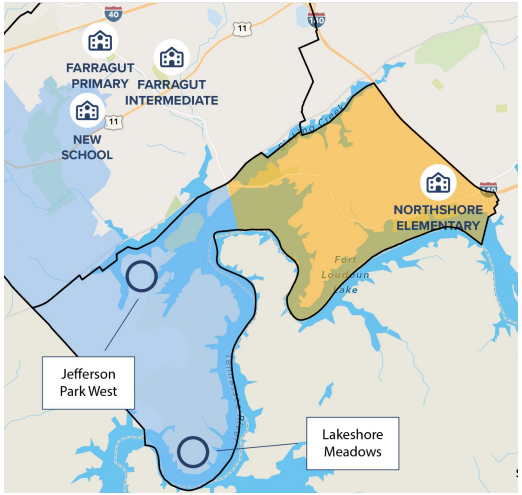
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Northshore Potential Impact

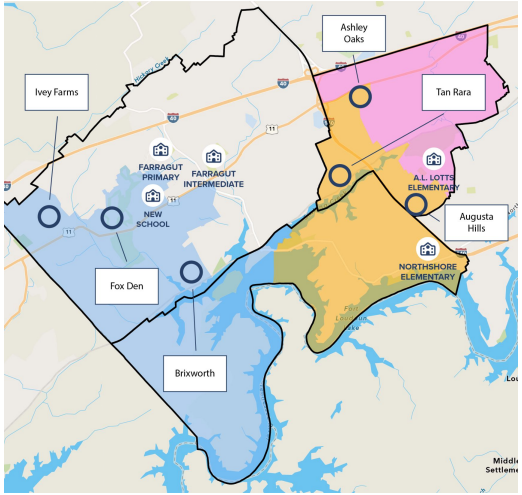
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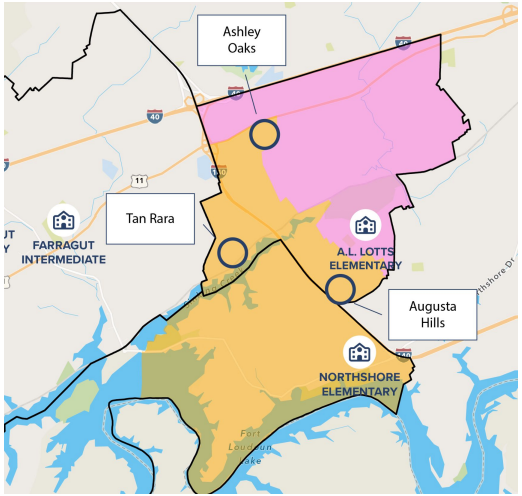
SCENARIO **TWO**



SCENARIO **THREE**



A.L. Lotts Potential Impact

SCENARIO **ONE**	SCENARIO **TWO**	SCENARIO **THREE**
NO IMPACT	**NO IMPACT**	

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Scenario	Future Growth	Portables	Feeder Patterns
1	→ ***Long-range relief*** for HVES; ***some immediate relief*** for HVES	No elimination	**Rezoned HVES students:** *New School → HVMS → HVA*
2	→ ***Immediate relief*** for HVES → ***Opportunity for limited relief*** along Kingston Pike and Northshore corridors	No elimination	**Rezoned HVES students:** *New School → HVMS → HVA* **Rezoned Farragut students:** *Northshore → FMS → FHS* **Rezoned Northshore students:** *New School → FMS → FHS*
3	→ ***Opportunity for relief*** for Kingston Pike and Northshore corridors → FPS will ***open at 81% capacity,*** and the new school will ***open at 83% capacity***	Eliminated need at A.L. Lotts	**Rezoned Northshore students:** *New School → FMS → FHS*

Transfer Process

Students in **fourth grade this year (2026-27 SY)** will be eligible for a one-time, zoning transfer to remain at their current school through the end of their elementary school career.

Families on transfer are responsible for student transportation to and from school.

All other students (including siblings) may apply for a transfer through the general transfer window. Transfers are awarded on lottery and based on school capacity.

Priority Transfer Window:
October 1 - February 16

Final Transfer Window:
April 1 - June 1

Staffing Process

- ➔ Position allocations will be determined using enrollment projections and the standard KCS position **allocation formula.**
- ➔ Staff currently working in schools impacted by the new zones will be provided the **opportunity to voluntarily transfer** to the new school ahead of the normal KCS spring staffing window.
- ➔ The Human Resources department will meet with schools to provide more details on the timeline and process in the second semester once new zones are Board approved.

Timeline & Next Steps

- **November 2026:** Community engagement meetings — Zoning
- **December 2026:** Final zoning proposal submitted to KCBOE
- **Late Fall 2026 / Early Spring 2027:** Naming and branding (surveys and community meetings) for:
  - *Existing FPS and FIS*
  - *New school*
- **Spring 2027:** KCBOE votes on naming and branding
- **Fall 2027:** Doors open for new school and reimagined K-5 Farragut-area schools

QUESTIONS

