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CROSSROADS MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY PLAN

Good Evening Families!

The construction of Crossroads Middle School has been exciting to watch and the grand opening of the school district's 34th school and 10th middle school will be a highly anticipated event for the northeast Paulding community. Opening a new school is always a special and exhilarating time for everyone involved. From our students and staff to our families and community members, we're all eagerly looking forward to the grand opening of Crossroads Middle School. This new school will be a symbol of pride for students and staff, and for all who live in the area.

Here is where we need your help. We need to make sure Crossroads Middle School attendance boundaries are developed to help us balance the enrollment of our middle schools in the northeastern part of Paulding County. We've seen significant growth in recent years, and that growth is projected to continue in the near future. McClure Middle School is currently at about 130 percent of its ideal enrollment, and both Moses and East Paulding middle schools are expected to reach capacity in the next 4-6 years.

That is the goal of the proposed attendance boundaries we have developed. Our aim is to create a more balanced enrollment for our northeast middle schools while also allowing for future growth with planned housing developments. In this letter, you'll find the current and proposed attendance boundaries for our northeast middle schools. These changes would go into effect for the 2024-2025 school year. And if you want more detailed information, we have that as well. Check out our <u>Crossroads Attendance Zone</u> <u>Boundary Plan</u> webpage. You'll find downloadable lists of addresses, frequently asked questions, board policies, maps, and demographic data.

One of the most common questions we receive is how this will impact high school attendance zones. To be clear, **all students who attend Crossroads Middle School will be part of the North Paulding High School attendance zone**. It's also essential to note that this boundary plan only involves moving students to the new Crossroads Middle School and not to any other schools. Students will either be zoned to Crossroads Middle School or will remain zoned to their current middle school.

Crossroads Middle School Attendance Boundary Plan

We genuinely value your feedback, and we want to hear from you. So, here are a few ways you can provide input on the proposed attendance boundaries:

- 1. Join us for an Attendance Boundary Review Community Conversation. It's an online meeting happening on December 14, 2023. This is your chance to share your feedback, make recommendations, and ask any burning questions you may have.
- 2. Send us an email at <u>planningforthefuture@paulding.k12.ga.us</u>. This is where you can send your feedback, recommendations, and questions.
- 3. Visit our <u>Crossroads Attendance Zone Boundary Plan</u> webpage. We've set up a Slido question and comment section so you can easily provide your feedback, recommendations and questions.

Now, let's talk about the timeline. Here's what's coming up:

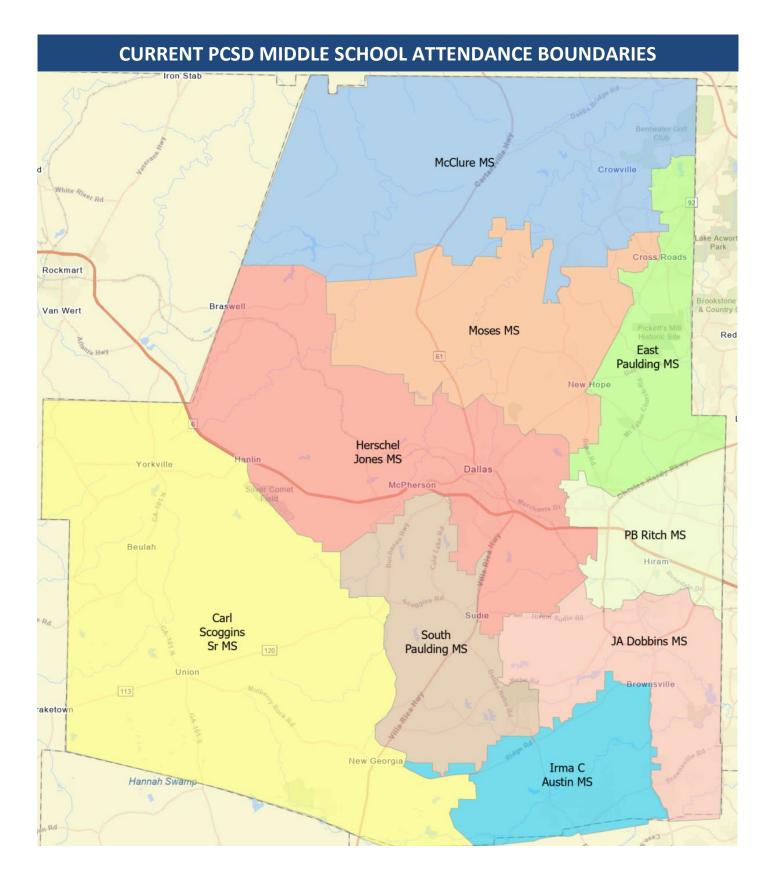
ATTENDANCE ZONE BOUNDARY TIMELINE	
NOVEMBER 30	We'll present the draft attendance zone boundary to potentially impacted families, along with this letter.
NOV 30 – DEC 29	We'll be accepting community input on the draft attendance zone.
DECEMBER 14	Mark your calendars! We're hosting an Online Attendance Zone Boundary Review Community Conversation.
JANUARY 9	We'll present the final attendance zone boundary to the Board of Education for approval.

We couldn't be more excited about the opening of our 10th middle school in August 2024. Crossroads Middle School will bring much-needed capacity relief to our northeast middle schools. So, we want to hear from our community. Please provide your feedback, recommendations, and questions on the proposed attendance map.

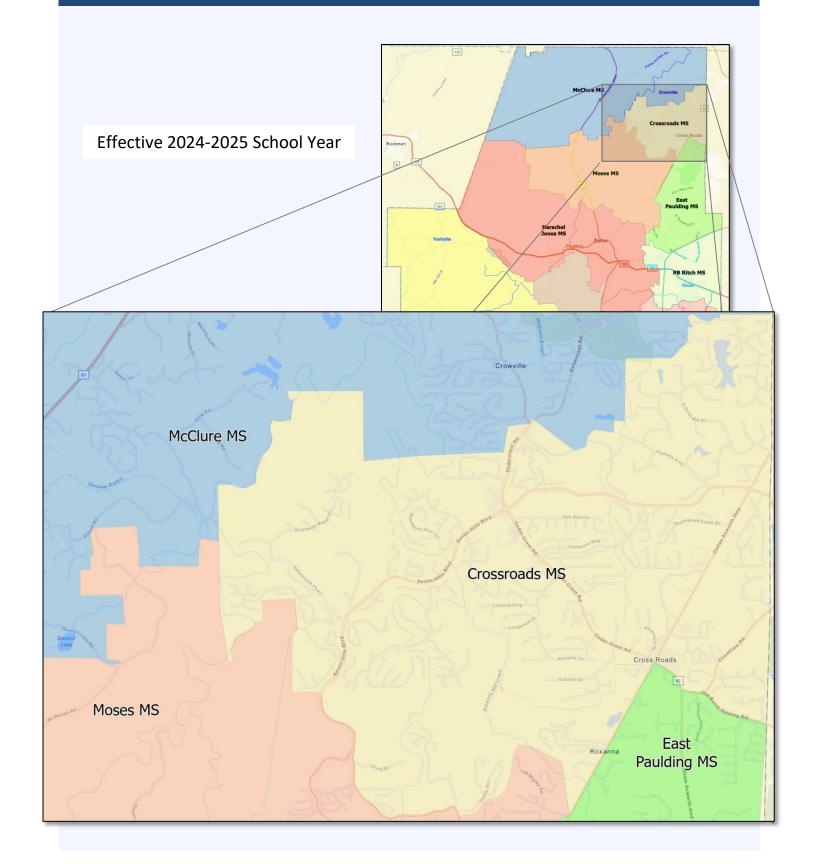
Thank you so much for your incredible support and involvement as we plan for the future of our schools.

Sincerely,





PROPOSED CROSSROADS MS ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY PLAN



CROSSROADS MIDDLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

Crossroads MS is located on property off Seven Hills Connector in Northeast Paulding County. The middle school will include 66 Instructional Units with a capacity of approximately 1,050 students. The overall floor plan is 148,000 square feet including general education and special education classroom spaces, Connections classrooms including Gym, Band, Choral, Art, World Language, and CTAE Computer Science and Engineering rooms, as well as a media center and cafeteria with stage.

The campus will have access from both an entrance on Seven Hills Connector and via the new Harmony Grove Church Road Extension. We are thankful for our partnership with the Paulding County Government who have made opening this critical road extension in time for the August 2024 opening a top priority.



Crossroads Middle School will help balance middle school enrollment in the northeastern part of Paulding County, an area that has seen significant enrollment growth in recent years and is projected to see continued growth for the near future. McClure Middle School is currently at approximately 130 percent of its ideal enrollment, and both Moses and East Paulding middle schools are forecasted to reach enrollment capacity within the next 4-6 years.