

#### Southeast High School Boundary Change Recommendation

November 7, 2022



# Background

- Enrollment has been monitored since the decision to relocate Southeast to this new location
- Area is growing, with potential for future growth
- Trends built based on the school retaining 73.8% of their neighborhood students
- School functional building capacity 1982 students
- Solutions developed after detailed analysis, engaging stakeholders



## **Short-Term Solutions**

- 1. Allow special transfers submitted this year (*with exception of North and East*) the opportunity to attend those schools
- 2. Additional support staff at SEHS
- 3. Second semester admit current SEHS students on Northeast Magnet waiting list to attend NE
- 4. Additional enrollment from SEHS to alternative programs and special schools including Education Imagine Academy, Chester Lewis Alternative High School, Towne East and Wichita Accelerations Academy



## **Short-Term Solutions**

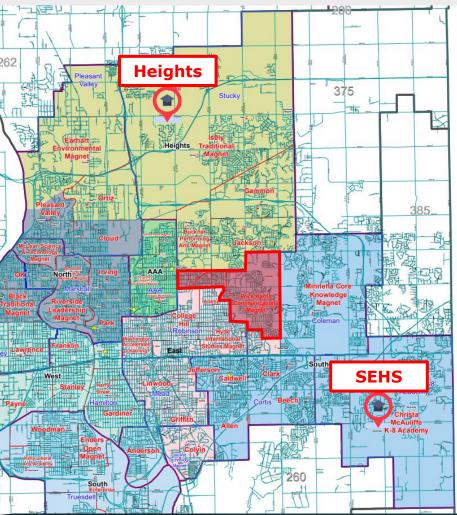
- 5. Second semester option for students in proposed boundary area to special transfer to Heights
  - Special transfers do not receive district-provided transportation
  - KSHSAA rules don't allow athletic eligibility in the spring for students who special transfer to Heights



# Proposed SE to Heights Boundary Change

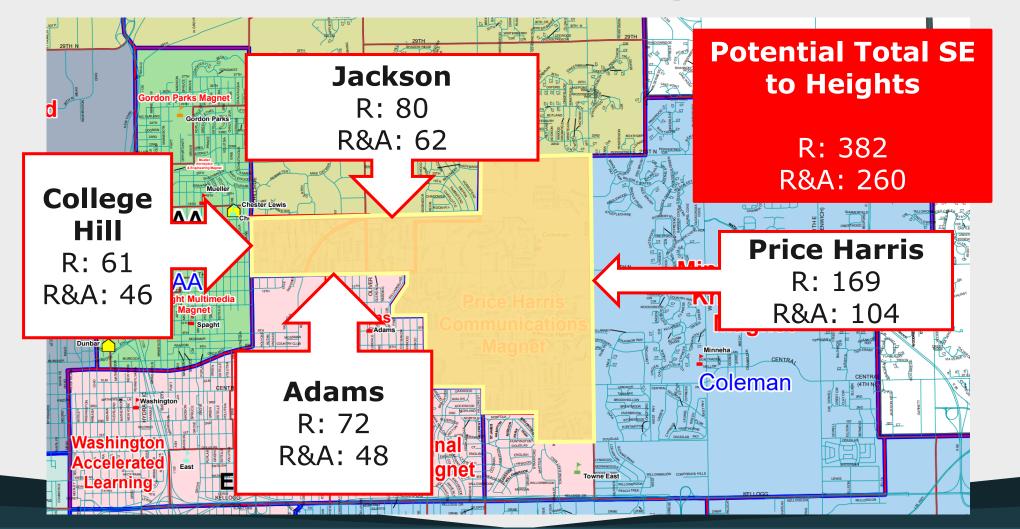
- Boundary change SE to Heights

   for some students residing in
   the following feeders of
   Coleman/SE:
  - Adams
  - College Hill
  - Jackson
  - Price-Harris





## **Proposed Boundary Change - Data**





# **Demographic Impact**

Race/Ethnicity	Proposed Boundary Change Area		Southeast Current Enrollment		Southeast Enrollment After Change		Heights Current Enrollment		Heights Enrollment After Change	
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	0.4%	17	0.8%	16	0.8%	11	<i>0.9%</i>	12	<b>0.8</b> %
Asian	8	3.1%	292	13.3%	284	14.7%	32	2.5%	40	<b>2.6%</b>
Black or African American	114	43.8%	640	29.2%	526	27.2%	448	34.6%	562	<b>36.2%</b>
Hispanic	50	19.2%	632	28.8%	582	30.1%	248	19.2%	298	<b>19.2%</b>
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1	0.4%	10	0.5%	9	0.5%	3	0.2%	4	<b>0.3</b> %
Two or More Races	17	6.5%	178	8.1%	161	8.3%	125	9.7%	142	<b>9</b> .1%
White	69	26.5%	423	19.3%	354	18.3%	427	33.0%	496	<b>31.9</b> %
TOTAL	260	100.0%	2192	<u>100.0%</u>	1932	100.0%	1294	100.0%	1554	100.0%

SE to Heights F/R: 75.35%

SE F/R: 74.71%

Heights F/R: 67.83%



# **Boundary Change Listening Sessions**

Conducted eight listening sessions:

- Southeast staff (2 sessions) October 11
- Southeast impacted students October 11
- Southeast StuGo October 13
- Heights staff October 18
- Northeast staff October 20
- Community listening sessions
  - November 2<sup>nd</sup> Coleman Middle School
  - November 3<sup>rd</sup> Adams Elementary



## **Student, Staff and Community Feedback**

#### Pros

- Decrease SEHS population
- Improvement of classroom environment
- Less students on the bus
- Some of these students are closer to Heights
- Student choice
- Demographics same
- Safety

#### Cons

- Population impact
- Impact on extra-curricular activities
- No transportation
- Short-term solution
- Future impact of both
  Southeast and Heights
- Effect on students/families
- Grandfathering
- Doesn't address behaviors

#### **Other Ideas**

- Address behaviors and/or learning environment (SEHS)
- More staff
- Multiple lunches
- Construction
- Include transportation
- More special transfer options
- Move special programs
- Larger boundary change
- Do something different with Northeast Magnet



## **Considerations Based on Staff, Student and Community Feedback**

- Grandfathering: Students <u>currently at Southeast</u> should be given the option to remain at SEHS and finish high school or move to Heights per boundary change.
- Future students in the impacted area should be considered Heights students unless magnet application or special transfer elsewhere.
- Increase Northeast Magnet capacity



#### Recommendations

It is recommended for the 2023-24 school year that the BOE:

- approve the recommended high school boundary change for the specified area of the current Southeast boundary to move to Heights High School, and
- allow all current Southeast students to be grandfathered into Southeast if they choose to remain at the school through graduation.



### **Questions/Discussion**





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