## CHAMPAIGN UNIT 4 SCHOOLS

## COOPERATIVE STRATEGIES <br> PRESENTATION

## AGENDA

- Process Overview
- Word Done To-Date
- Preliminary Feedback from the Community
- Preliminary Scenarios
- Next Steps
- Socializing Concepts with the Board
- Community Focus Groups
- More Extensive Community Engagement



## PROCESS

## Plan for Planning

-Confirm process and timeline -Discuss other comparable processes
Present confirmed process to the Board

## Background Data

-Define geography and develop enrollment projections.
-U.S. Census Estimates

## Establish Criteria

-Collect Feedback from the community around:

- Proximity to facilities
-Diversity of the populations
-Feeder pattern continuity
-Detached attendance areas


## Develop Scenarios

-Multiple Boundary
Scenarios

- Attendance Zones
- Combination of
neighborhood school and a choice component
-Clusters of neighborhood schools

Finalize
Recommended
Options

- Alignment with criteria
- Present to Board
- Implementation Support
-Provide addresses for new
boundaries
- Online locator


## DEMOGRAPHIC REALITIES

## Due to Current Housing Patterns:

- If the desire for Carrie Busey is to have the SES Percentage over $30 \%$, its going to require that students that are in close proximity to C.B., attend another school.
- There is a similar situation with Garden Hills but at the opposite end the spectrum.
- Large pockets of Low-SES students are in close proximity to Garden Hills, Stratton, and BTW.
- Large pockets of High-SES students are in close

All Students


Students Receiving Free/Reduced Lunch
 proximity to Barkstall and Carrie Busey.

## Models Explored:

| Concept | Ability to meet Diversity Goals | Ability to Streamline Transportation | Benefits | Challenges | Potential Unintended Consequences |
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| Tradítionai Áttenciance Areas (Contiguinus) | Low | High | - Certainty <br> - Convenience | - Diversity will be difficult <br> - Equitable resourcing is critical | - May be the most desirable. <br> - If equitable resources cannot be maintained, legal consequences |
| Traditionàl Aitendance Areas (Satellites) | Medium Low | Medium High | - Certainty <br> - Convenient for some | - Burden of creating diversity will be placed on isolated groups | - Satellite areas do not develop a sense of community like other areas |
| Sister Sc:hoo Cioncept | Medium High | Medium High | - Certainty <br> - Balanced | - Multiple pick-up and drop-off locations for families <br> - Need to align capacities |  |
| Grade Level Eenters | Medium High | Medium Low | - Continuity <br> - Large diverse attendance areas | - Multiple pick-up and drop-off locations for families <br> - Additional transitions | - Issues with staff certifications |
| Modifications to Current Choice Model | Medium | Medium | - Familiarity | - Uncertainty <br> - Ineffectiveness over time |  |

# Concept 1: Traditional Attendance Areas 

 (with satellites)
## Schools with satellites:

- Garden Hills
- BTW
- Dr. Howard
- South Side
- IPA
- Westview


## Minimum 50\% Transportation Savings

## Benefits:

- Transportation Savings
- Same or slightly better demographics
- Guaranteed Assignments

Challenges:

- Island Areas do not have the same sense of community
- Some schools see big drops in SES (Carrie Busey, Barkstall)



## Concept 1: Traditional Attendance Areas

## (with satellites)



## Concept 2: Current Model (with slight modifications)

## Modifications

- Elimination of Balanced Calendar to give later applications more choices.
- Consider $5 \%$ reserve seats in all schools for late applicants


## < 5\% Transportation Savings

## Benefits:

- Familiar
- Ability to run the choice process later to potentially capture late applicants.
- Minimal Change

Challenges:

- Minimal Impact


## Balanced Calendar Schools

## Kenwood \& Barkstall

- Recommended: Elimination
- In order to have consistency of enrollment and increased choice across the District, it is recommended that the Balanced Calendar Schools change to adhere the same calendar as the other schools.


## International Prep Academy

In our scenarios, we have assumed the IPA will function like any other elementary school and in some cases have an attendance boundary.

Due to the program, there have been conversations that it may need to remain as a magnet.
Based on feedback collected, there is the thought that families may just use IPA as the defacto "opt-out" school.

One recommendation to mitigate this possibility is to control the choice into IPA:

- $50 \%$ of the seats reserved for qualified bi-lingual Spanish speaking students
- $50 \%$ of the seats allocated proportionately to each attendance area


## Baseline

| School | Capacity | Enrollment | Utilization |  | Free / <br> Reduced |  | elta |
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| Barkstall | 479 | 395 | 82\% | $\square$ | 37\%: | -7\% [1 |  |
| Bottenfield | 474 | 453 | 96\% |  | 31\%: | -13\% |  |
| BTW | 426 | 346 | 81\% |  | 55\% : | 11\% |  |
| Carrie Busey | 474 | 453 | 96\% |  | 30\% : | -14\% |  |
| Dr. Howard | 428 | 385 | 90\% |  | 49\% | 5\% |  |
| Garden Hills | 616 | 331 | 54\% |  | 74\% : | 30\% |  |
| IPA | 474 | 450 | 95\% |  | 52\% | 8\% |  |
| Kenwood | 426 | 345 | 81\% |  | 38\%: | -6\% |  |
| Robeson | 431 | 443 | 103\% |  | 37\%: | -7\% [ |  |
| South Side | 284 | 281 | 99\% |  | 28\% : | -16\% |  |
| Stratton | 577 | 477 | 83\% |  | 67\% : | 23\% |  |
| Westview | 498 | 434 | 87\% |  | 42\% | -2\% |  |

## Scenario 1 (Islands + Sister Schools)

## Same Boundaries as Scenario 1

- Stratton and Barkstall combine boundaries (K-2 / 3-5)
- BTW and Carrie Busey combine boundaries (K-2 / 3-5)

Minimum 30\% Transportation Savings

## Benefits:

- Transportation Savings
- Better demographics.
- Guaranteed Assignments

Challenges:

- Island Areas do not have the same sense of community
- Some communities will be "singled-out" with the split grade configuration.
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## Scenario 2 (Three Clusters)

Choice is limited to the $\mathbf{4}$ schools in your cluster

| Cluster $\mathbf{1}$ | Cluster $\mathbf{2}$ | Cluster $\mathbf{3}$ |
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| Bottenfield | Barkstall | BTW |
| Garden Hills | Stratton | Carrie Busey |
| Kenwood | Southside | Dr. Howard |
| Robeson | Westview | IPA |

## Minimum 20\% Transportation Savings

## Benefits:

- Transportation Savings
- Makes choice less "overwhelming"
- Same or slightly better demographics.

Challenges:

- Likelihood of similar choice selection outcomes, but it will be limited



## Scenario 2 (Three Clusters)

| Cluster | Capacity | Enrollment | Utilization |  |  | Free / <br> Reduced |  |  | Delta |
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| 1 | 1,947 | 1,486 | $76 \%$ |  | $41 \%$ | $-12 \%$ |  |  |  |
| 2 | 1,982 | 1,614 | $81 \%$ |  | $44 \%$ | $-9 \%$ |  |  |  |
| 3 | 1,658 | 1,780 | $107 \%$ |  | $47 \%$ | $-6 \%$ |  |  |  |

## Overview

|  | Students Impacted | Transportation <br> Efficiency | Impact on Socio- <br> Economics |
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| Scenario 1: <br> Boundaries with <br> Sisters | $>90 \%$ | Medium-High | Medium-High |
| Scenario 2: Clusters | $\sim 65 \%$ | Medium | Medium |

## Timeline

## September 26:

- Present Scenarios to BOE as informational item
- Launch Survey / Website

October:

- Conduct Focus Groups / Community Outreach
- Target: Garden Hills, Village of Savoy, PTA/Council meetings, NAACP, Community Coalition Meeting, Supt. Teacher Advisory Committee, CFT, CESP, etc.
November:
- Present Recommendations to BOE

December:

- Board Vote


## Next Steps

## Focus Groups

Further Community Engagement
Recommendation Development
Final Board Presentation

