



# EAST LYME PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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*East Lyme Public Schools will inspire, engage and educate each student to become a contributing citizen and a responsible, independent, and critical thinker.*

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Recently the Board of Education has been discussing the possibility of redistricting our elementary schools for the 2017-2018 school year to provide a balance between the three schools for all kindergarten through grade four students across the district. The Board is in support of moving forward with a proposed redistricting plan.

On Monday, December 5, 2016, the Board will discuss the Elementary Redistricting Ad Hoc Committee's proposed charge as follows:

- Establish an outline of the redefined school boundary lines for the three elementary schools
- Identify and address challenges with the proposed redistricting
- Develop a communication plan for parents and the community
- Identify estimated costs (if applicable) of the selected plan
- Clearly articulate rationale for the identified solution including educational benefits
- Outline any impact on the annual general fund budget
- Outline the direct impact on students and families

The Elementary Redistricting Ad Hoc Committee is comprised of parents, certified staff, non-certified staff, administration, board members, and the transportation coordinator. The committee will engage in three to four meetings and present their recommendation to the Board of Education in late January or February. Additionally, opportunities for parent information sessions are being planned.

Feel free to contact me at any time with questions.

Regards,

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Cc: Board of Education Members