

Huber Heights City Schools, OH 2024 Redistricting Study

-Public Information Session 2-

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Welcome and Introductions





Tonight's Purpose

- 1. <u>Learn</u> how the redistricting process has been working.
- **2.** <u>**Review</u> DRAFT** redistricting options A and B for Elementary Schools</u>
- **3.** <u>**Complete</u>** online surveys related to the options to provide valuable input regarding options that are being considered.</u>





Project Objectives

With the support of the Board of Education, Huber Heights City Schools is undertaking a redistricting study to address imbalances in school utilization and enrollment, and to pro-actively align with future facility plans. Huber Heights City Schools has begun a redistricting study to meet the following key objectives:

<u>Primary Objective</u>: Evaluate elementary attendance boundaries to ensure that the district is maintaining equity in school enrollment size and demographics.

<u>Secondary Objectives</u>: Evaluate the configuration of schools within the district to determine if there are potentially changes to grade configuration and/or school uses to ensure schools are operating efficiently.





Cropper GIS Consulting was hired by Huber Heights City Schools to facilitate and manage the project. Our firm is tasked to:

- *A.* <u>*Develop*</u> supporting materials to help facilitate the study.
- *B. <u>Facilitate</u> an expert-based process of developing a student redistricting plan.*
- *C. Empower* the community throughout the process.
- **D.** <u>Leverage</u> expertise to develop logical, efficient, and effective student redistricting options with the planning team.
- *E.* <u>*Recommend*</u> a redistricting plan to the School Board.



Redistricting Criteria

Cropper GIS has developed a body of criteria to guide this student redistricting study. The following criteria are not listed in any particular order of importance:

Balance school facility utilization

Make every effort to have equitable utilization (where possible) across the district and in accordance with school capacities and funded allotment ratios in accordance with state law. Make efficient use of available space.

Account for future growth

Allow for increasing attendance in high growth areas.

<u>Close Proximity</u>

Students should be assigned to the school within the closest proximity to their homes where possible.



Redistricting Criteria

• <u>Maximize busing efficiencies in</u> <u>transportation of students</u>

Make every effort to account for transportation (school bus and car rider), parent commuting patterns, balance busing travel time, and costs.



• Minimize impact on students

Attempt to minimize the number of students impacted when making boundary adjustments.

• Account for economic, cultural, and ethnic diversity

Ensure schools are inclusionary and not adversely affected by redistricting decisions.



• <u>Make every effort to establish contiguous zones</u>

Avoid creating zones that are not connected to the primary attendance zone, where possible

• <u>Use major roads and natural boundaries wherever feasible to</u> <u>define attendance zones</u>

Minimize the number of students who need to cross major roads and other barriers to maximize the safety and security of students and optimize transportation efficiency by containing bus routes within natural boundaries wherever possible to avoid traffic delays and late arrivals.

All criteria are in no particular order or priority, and the best plan is one that touches on all criteria but does not focus solely on one element of the criteria.





Stakeholders





	Schedule and facilitate internal planning team meetings and public advisory committee meetings.
Consultant	 Communicate updates with planning team, including updated handout and meeting schedule logistics. Conduct public meetings to solicit feedback related to draft options that are under consideration. Support the district in providing materials such as presentations, handouts, and online interactive maps for the public's consumption. Coordinate and summarize online feedback received from general public, internal planning team, and public advisory committee.
Internal Planning Team	 Consists of key school district administrators including central office, transportation, planning, and school principals. Group will work to review draft options that are being developed in preparation to share with the School Board an public. Review input provided from the consultant, general public, and public advisory committee regarding draft options and continue to modify maps with a focus on the best solution for all students as a whole. Share a redistricting plan with the School Board
Public Advisory Committee	 Made up of public officials and business leaders in the Huber Heights area. Reviews work of the internal planning team and provides direct feedback based on local knowledge of the district and the region. Helps the consultant and the internal planning team to prepare for the second public information session, where draft options will be presented to the public. Will review public feedback after both public information sessions. Members are charged with representing the Huber Heights community as a whole, not individual school zones or neighborhoods.
General Public	 Informed through website. Invited to submit comments and input throughout the entire process. Invited to participate in public information sessions (both virtual and in-person), and to provide input via surveys and online general feedback form.
School Board	 Charge internal planning team with its responsibilities. Identify questions the planning team is expected to answer. Advise staff and the process regarding policy related considerations and other board-level decisions.





Timeline





Process & Timeline for Redistricting

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	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024	2024
Data Collection										
Data Analysis / Assimilation				·						
Redistricting Baseline Options Development				·				'I		
Internal Planning Team Work (1-2 meetings per month)	·									
Public Information Session #1 : Present Project Process,										
Criteria, Timeline, and Redistricting Objectives to Community.		4/22								
Information meeting to public. No Options shared at this		+/22								
point.										
Public Advisory Committee Meeting 1	'			<u> </u>				'	·	
- Review Background Data, Objectives, and Fall Planning	۱ ا		5/20	۱ ۱				1		۱ I
Logistics	۱ <u> </u>			<u> </u>				' <u> </u>		·
Public Advisory Committee Meeting 2	' 1			<u> </u>			9/23	'	·	
- Review DRAFT Options	۱ <u> </u>		<u> </u>	·			9/23	·1	<u> </u>	·
Public Information Session #2: Present DRAFT Redistricting								10/24		
Options to General Public for Comment/Feedback								10/24		
Public Advisory Committee Meeting 3	1			<u>ا</u>				·		·
- Review Survey Feedback/Results, Final considerations	1			۱ ۱	1			' I	11/18	
regarding DRAFT Options	!		<u> </u>	ا <u>ــــــــــ</u> ا			l	۱ <u>ــــــــــ</u> ۱		'k
Presentation of Redistricting Plan to the Board of Education										12/12





Progress Report





Work done to date

- We are about 3/4 complete with the process.
- The Internal Planning Team has met five times and the Public Advisory Committee twice since April 2024 and both teams have spent many hours between meetings reviewing information.
- The IPT has reviewed 14 variations of DRAFT options since the process started.
 - Started with 2 baseline DRAFT options; additional options generated each meeting based on the Internal Planning Team, Public Advisory Committee and general public feedback.





Work done to date

- Data and information examined includes school enrollment and capacity, demographics, transportation data, student impacts, and feedback from members of the public.
- Options are considered DRAFT throughout the process and continued dialog and consideration of data is always encouraged.



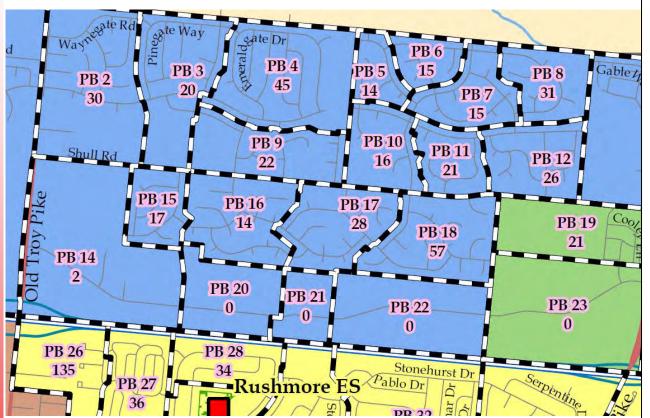


- The planning team's charge is to share one option with the School Board.
- Nothing will be FINAL until the School Board determines the best plan for the district.





Planning Blocks



The use of planning blocks help the IPT and public obtain an understanding of the impact on moving an area one way or the other.

Key data will be analyzed by these planning blocks, such as total number of students living within each block.

Huber Heights City Schools Charles Huber Elementary 2023-24 Live Attend Analysis





Online Map

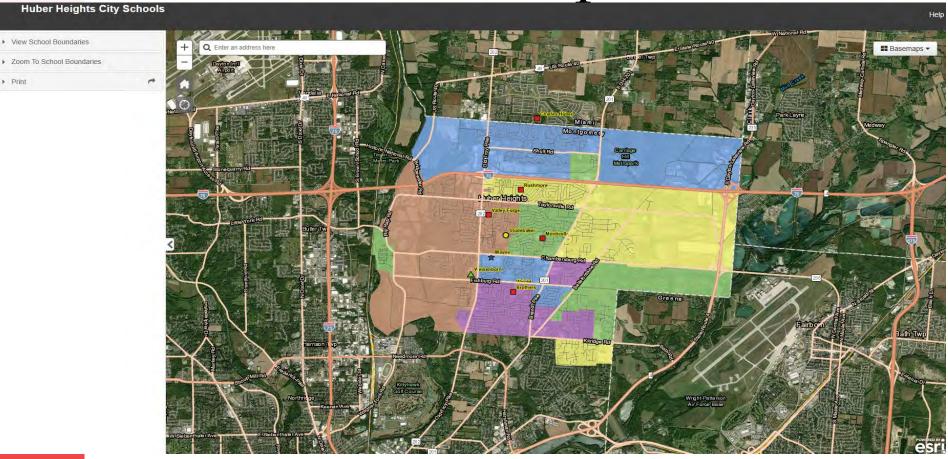
- An online map has been developed to further inform all stakeholders on the work of the internal planning team.
- Current zones and options can be viewed on the map.
- Other features can be turned on/off on the map, including planning blocks.
- Map is customizable, and can/will be updated during the process to show new options along with other information requested by the internal planning team.
- Site can be viewed on any device, including mobile devices and tablets (with internet connection).
- Site address is:
 - <u>https://croppermap.com/huberheights_oh/</u>





2. Data Analysis / Assimilation

Online Map







Online Survey:

- <u>Begins October 24, 2024 and available through</u> <u>midnight, November 3, 2024:</u>
- Participate in survey located at <u>www.hhcsredistricting.com</u>
 - Survey will help provide insight on the public's thoughts about the DRAFT options.
 - Public feedback isn't intended to see which option gets the most votes from the public
 - The best feedback is constructive comments regarding changes that better adhere to the project objectives and redistricting criteria.
 - Changes will only be made if it brings closer adherence to the objectives and criteria.



Tonight

- *Gallery Walk: Review Options A and B and related data, talk to IPT members*
 - Internal Planning Team members, HHCS staff, and consultants will be around the maps to discuss any thoughts the public may have.
 - Although discussions around the maps are very important, please submit your feedback via the online survey for the entire planning team's benefit.





Next Steps:

- The Internal Planning Team has 2 more meetings scheduled after tonight's Public Info Session, and the Public Advisory Committee has 1 more meeting scheduled.
- The IPT and PAC will review additional public feedback from online surveys and emails.
- Adjustments could be made to DRAFT options, if suggestions help to better adhere to the objectives and considerations.





Quick Review of Maps and Statistics





Options Development

The Internal Planning Team, facilitated by Cropper GIS, has been hard at work for the past six months developing options.

Cropper GIS started the process by creating baseline options based on the available data.

The IPT has been meeting multiple times monthly to review and discuss the options, starting with the original baseline options. Each time, the options and have been revised and analyzed again.

Many different approaches have been reviewed, and two options remain, labeled Option A and Option B. Option A is a fully comprehensive option that addresses all the criteria, and Option B is a more conservative approach that improves the district's situation with minimal impact.

The Public Advisory Committee has played an invaluable role in this process, providing feedback after the first PAC meeting that was immediately incorporated into this process.





We will now review a series of tables that depict statistics for options that are being evaluated.

This information will help inform all stakeholders on how schools could be potentially impacted as a result of potential redistricting adjustments.

All calculations were derived from the district's 2023-24 Enrollment student database dated March 25, 2024.

Glossary of Terms

Capacity -The number of students that an individual school has the physical capacity to enroll and can be reasonably accommodated in a facility.

Utilization - Utilization is the total enrollment divided by the capacity, described as a percentage.

Live-in students – Students residing inside of a school attendance boundary, regardless of where that student attends school.

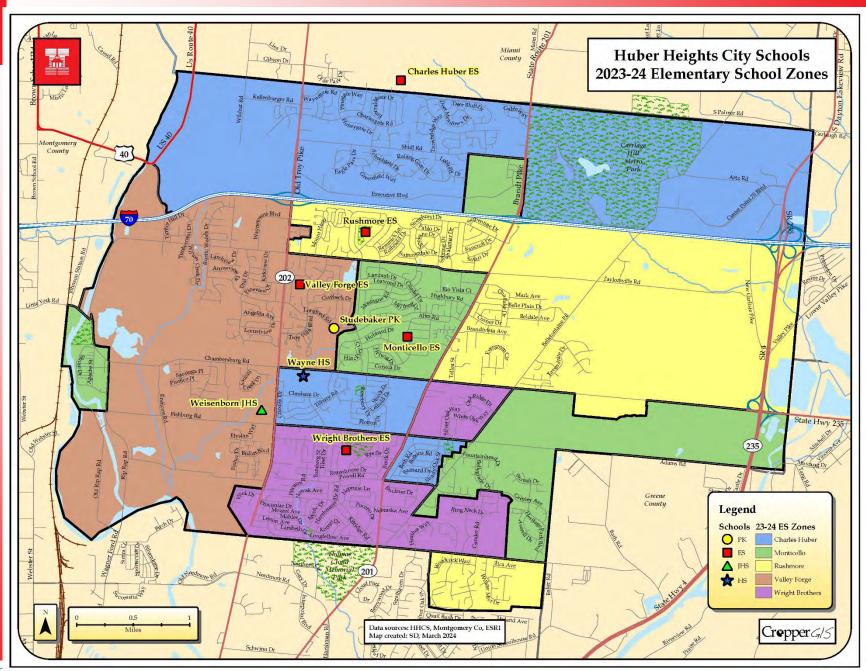
Live and Attend - Students who attend the assigned schools for the zones where they live.

Live Out Attend In - Students that live outside of their attending school's boundary but reside within the Huber Heights City Schools district boundary.

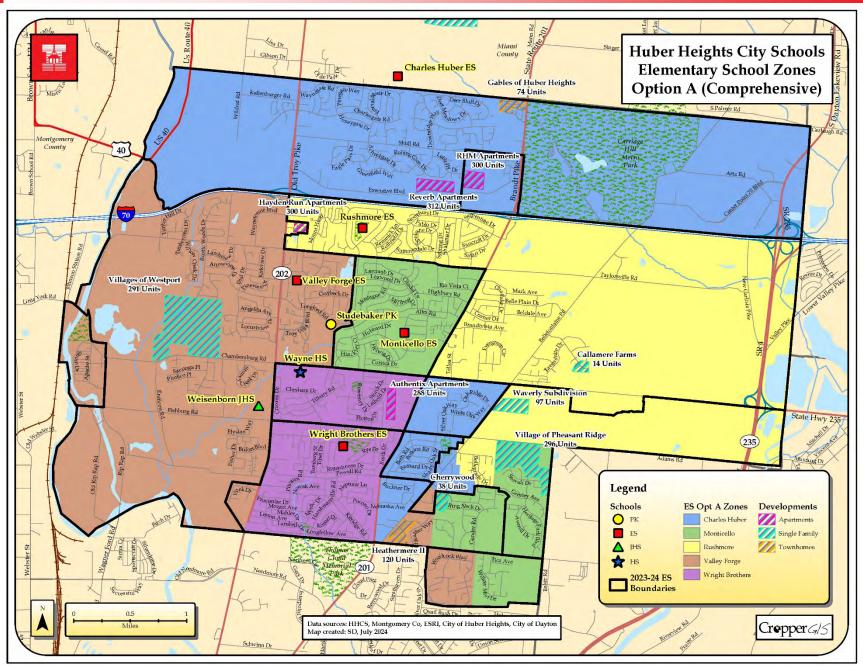
Out of District students - Students that live outside of Huber Heights City Schools district boundary.

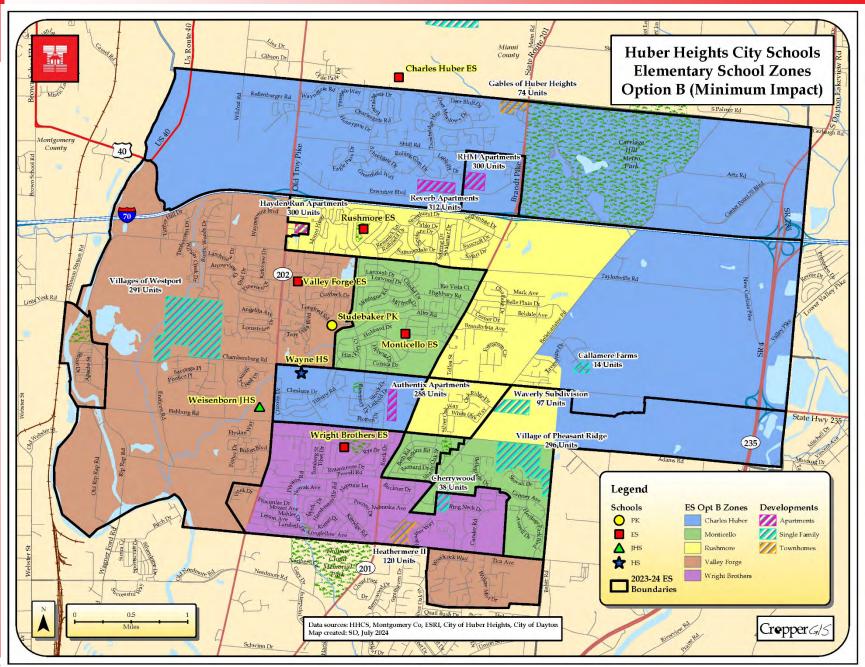
Unmatched students - Students whose address was not able to be located by the GIS.













2023-24 Elementary School Enrollment Statistics

Within 10% Between 10 Over/Unde	-15%		ES Current Enrollment (2023-24) 2023-24 Enrollment and Utilization						Enrolled L	ive-Attend					
Elementary School	Capacity	К	1	2	3	4	5	6	Current Enrollment	Current Utilization	Trend	Live-In	Live-and- Attend-In	Live-Out- and-Attend- In	Out of District
Charles Huber Elementary	690	104	93	94	81	104	92	73	641	93%		644	599	42	5
Monticello Elementary	668	78	84	83	69	98	83	78	573	86%		549	517	56	17
Rushmore Elementary	668	91	96	91	81	91	96	94	640	96%		647	598	42	7
Valley Forge Elementary	690	71	84	70	69	72	74	86	526	76%		509	476	50	4
Wright Brothers Elementary	704	90	111	92	91	99	104	90	677	96%		671	632	45	4
Total	3,420	434	468	430	391	464	449	421	3,057	89%		3,020	2,822	235	37

Counts based on HHCS student database dated 03/25/2024





Option A Enrollment Statistics

Within T Betweer Over/U			Option A (Comprehensive) Estimated Enrollment								
Elementary School	Capacity	К	1	2	3	4	5	6	Option A Estimated	Option A Utilization	Trend
Charles Huber Elementary	690	93	93	86	84	113	87	79	635	92%	
Monticello Elementary	668	85	86	86	72	87	92	83	591	88%	
Rushmore Elementary	668	84	86	81	76	82	92	93	594	89%	-
Valley Forge Elementary	690	86	101	88	81	87	90	95	628	91%	
Wright Brothers Elementary	704	86	102	89	78	95	88	71	609	87%	
Total	3,420	434	468	430	391	464	449	421	3,057	89%	





Option B Enrollment Statistics

Within Betweer Over/U			Option B (Minimum Impact) Estimated Enrollment								
Elementary School	Capacity	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Option B Estimated	Option B Utilization	Trend
Charles Huber Elementary	690	88	92	93	75	100	79	78	605	88%	
Monticello Elementary	668	93	87	83	75	105	92	82	617	92%	
Rushmore Elementary	668	85	87	80	78	80	95	94	599	90%	
Valley Forge Elementary	690	85	101	88	77	81	84	93	609	88%	
Wright Brothers Elementary	704	83	101	86	86	98	99	74	627	89%	
Total	3,420	434	468	430	391	464	449	421	3,057	89 %	





Within 10% Between 10-15%			ES Curren	ES Current Enrollment (2023-24)						
Over/Under 15%			Ra		Lunch Percentage					
Elementary School	Asian	Black	Hispanic	American Indian	Mutli-racial	Native Hawaiian or P.I.	White	Free	None	Reduced
Charles Huber Elementary	1%	22%	13%	0%	15%	0%	50%	35%	62%	3%
Monticello Elementary	1%	27%	9%	0%	12%	0%	51%	36%	58%	6%
Rushmore Elementary	3%	27%	6%	0%	14%	0%	50%	38%	56%	6%
Valley Forge Elementary	3%	27%	6%	0%	17%	0%	47%	41%	54%	5%
Wright Brothers Elementary	3%	23%	11%	0%	11%	0%	52%	40%	55%	5%
Total	2%	25%	9%	0%	14%	0%	50%	38%	57%	5%

Counts based on HHCS student database dated 03/25/2024





Option A Demographic Statistics

Within 10%						
Between 10-15% Over/Under 15%	(Option A Rac	2	Option A Lunch		
Elementary School	Black	White	Hispanic	Other	Free	Paid
Charles Huber Elementary	25%	50%	10%	15%	41%	59%
Monticello Elementary	28%	50%	7%	16%	42%	58%
Rushmore Elementary	27%	50%	5%	18%	44%	56%
Valley Forge Elementary	25%	50%	8%	17%	45%	55%
Wright Brothers Elementary	20%	52%	15%	13%	44%	56%
Total	24%	50%	9%	16%	43%	57%





Option B Demographic Statistics

Within 10%							
Between 10-15% Over/Under 15%	(Option B Rac		Option B Lunch			
Elementary School	Black	White	Hispanic	Other	Free	Paid	
Charles Huber Elementary	23%	49%	13%	15%	37%	63%	
Monticello Elementary	25%	51%	9%	14%	46%	54%	
Rushmore Elementary	28%	50%	5%	18%	45%	55%	
Valley Forge Elementary	26%	51%	6%	17%	44%	56%	
Wright Brothers Elementary	22%	50%	12%	15%	44%	56%	
Total	24%	50%	9%	16%	43%	57%	





Option Impacts

Student Impact Estimates							
	Total K-6th	Percent K-6th					
Option	Live-In	Live-In					
	Students Impacted	Students Impacted					
Option A	584	19.3%					
Option B	281	9.3%					

ES Zone 2023-24	ES Option A (Comprehensive)	Total 2023-24 K-6th Live-In Students
Charles Huber	Charles Huber	474
Charles Huber	Wright Brothers	170
Monticello	Charles Huber	40
Monticello	Monticello	459
Monticello	Rushmore	24
Monticello	Valley Forge	26
Rushmore	Monticello	13
Rushmore	Rushmore	561
Rushmore	Valley Forge	73
Valley Forge	Rushmore	2
Valley Forge	Valley Forge	507
Wright Brothers	Charles Huber	116
Wright Brothers	Monticello	102
Wright Brothers	Valley Forge	18
Wright Brothers	Wright Brothers	435

ES Zone 2023-24	ES Option B (Minimum Impact)	Total 2023-24 K-6th Live-In Students
Charles Huber	Charles Huber	556
Charles Huber	Monticello	88
Monticello	Charles Huber	24
Monticello	Monticello	512
Monticello	Rushmore	3
Monticello	Valley Forge	10
Rushmore	Charles Huber	20
Rushmore	Rushmore	541
Rushmore	Valley Forge	86
Valley Forge	Rushmore	2
Valley Forge	Valley Forge	507
Wright Brothers	Rushmore	46
Wright Brothers	Valley Forge	2
Wright Brothers	Wright Brothers	623



Option A and B Criteria Adherence



In Option A and B, every school is brought withing 3 percentage points of the district average of 89% utilization. The range is 87-92%.



Several satellite areas are eliminated in both options, allowing Wright Brothers and Rushmore to become completely contiguous zones.



The district is very well balanced demographically. Neither option upsets that balance, and all demographic categories remain well withing 10% of district averages in both options.



Planned developments and their potential student yields were considered for all options. Both options create space for growth at every school, including growth from new development.





Option A consolidates Wright Brothers ES, creating an entirely walkable zone, allowing almost 200 additional students to walk to school, compared to the existing zone configuration. This greatly improves transportation efficiency. Option B achieves utilization balance while minimizing student impact, with less than 10% of the student population estimated to be impacted.



Every effort was made in both options to avoid splitting neighborhoods in ways that would negatively impact communities, and to consider the safety of students walking or potentially walking to school. IPT and PAC input was invaluable to this process.



Now it is time to migrate to the maps, where we look forward to having conversations about the options and answer any questions you may have.

Thank you all for participating in this important process!

