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Dear Commonwealth Elementary Parents and Guardians,

As a part of our commitment to providing positive and exceptional learning environments throughout Fort Bend ISD, we are writing to update you on our plan to manage enrollment at Commonwealth Elementary during the upcoming 2019-20 school year. Fort Bend ISD continues to negotiate the purchase of land for a new elementary school, ES 53, which would relieve the overutilization of CWE.

Due to the continuing enrollment growth projected within the CWE attendance boundaries, Fort Bend ISD will continue limiting new enrollment at Commonwealth Elementary for the 2019-20 school year.

## **Enrollment for Grades 1-5**

In order to ensure the very best learning experience for our students, enrollment will continue to be limited to new students who reside within a two-mile radius of the school, and who are therefore not eligible for bus service. All newly enrolling students in grades 1-5 who live beyond the two-mile radius will continue to be redirected to nearby Settlers Way Elementary for the 2019-20 school year, with transportation provided to Settlers Way Elementary instead of CWE. Note: Families who have a student who is already currently attending CWE, and who have another newly-enrolling student in grades 1-5 will be able to enroll the newly enrolling sibling at CWE. Examples would be students who are currently attending private school or are home-schooled.

## **Kindergarten Enrollment**

All students entering kindergarten in the current CWE attendance boundary (inside or outside of the two-mile radius) will be allowed to enroll in kindergarten at Commonwealth Elementary. Should the incoming kindergartner have an older sibling who is currently in overflow at SWE, the parents will have the opportunity to enroll the kindergarten student at SWE to keep the siblings together. Details about Fort Bend ISD's kindergarten enrollment process will be shared this spring, so please continue to check the Fort Bend ISD website for more information.

Please be assured that I will continue to work closely with FBISD District administrators to ensure the very best learning experiences for all of our students at CWE. This <u>Frequently Asked Questions document</u> includes information about our plans for 2019-20, and you can continue to submit questions via <u>Let's Talk.</u>

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kwabena Mensah Assistant Superintendent