

COMMONWEALTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: My child currently attends CWE, but we live outside of the 2 mile radius. Do they have to attend another school? What about future years? Will they remain at CWE?

A: The current limitation on new enrollment is for the 2018-19 school year and until a more permanent solution (such as construction of a new school, classroom addition, and/or the modification of attendance boundaries) can be implemented. Students who are currently enrolled at CWE will not be affected during the current school year. A determination about future years has not been made.

Q: I have a child currently enrolled at CWE and will have a kindergartener next year. Where will my kindergartner attend school?

A: A determination about future years has not been made, although it has been the District's practice to enroll at least some kindergarten students at a capped campus. Additional information will be shared as plans for the construction of a new school, classroom additions, and/or the modification of attendance boundaries are finalized.

Q: How is the 2-mile radius determined?

A: The two mile radius will be determined based on a student's eligibility for bus transportation.

Q: I live in Avalon at Riverstone and currently zoned to Commonwealth. Have I been rezoned to another elementary school?

A: The attendance boundaries for 2018-19 have not changed, but due to overutilization, the District has determined that it will be necessary to limit new enrollment until a more permanent solution can be implemented. This may involve the construction of a new school, classroom additions or the modification of attendance boundaries. We will update the community as plans are developed, as the establishment and/or modification of attendance boundaries involves community involvement.

Q: There is a new community being developed, Clements Crossing, that claims students are zoned to CWE. Does this mean that there is room for these students?

A: Only newly enrolling students who live within the two mile radius, as determined by eligibility for bus transportation, will be allowed to enroll at CWE during the 2018-19 school year. Clements Crossing is zoned to attend CWE; however, it is not within the two mile radius; therefore, newly enrolling students in Clements Crossing will enroll at Settlers Way Elementary for the 2018-19 school year.

Q: What is the District's plan for rezoning?

A: We will keep the community informed as plans are developed, as the establishment and/or modification of attendance boundaries involves community involvement.

Q: How is the District communicating the overflow plan to the community and those who may be considering purchasing homes in this area?

A: Fort Bend ISD has communicated this information to parents and has also posted the information on the District website. Staff also communicated the decision with realtors and area Home Owner's Associations (HOAs).

Q: Why was Settlers Way designated as the overflow campus? Sullivan Elementary seems to be closer.

A: FBISD is committed to providing the very best learning environment for all students. Settlers Way Elementary has the capacity to accommodate additional students while Sullivan has higher utilization.

Q: Why did the district choose to limit students living outside of the 2 mile radius from attending CWE?

A: The decision to limit enrollment to students within the two-mile radius was made after a review of past enrollment trends, and the understanding that recent enrollment growth has been driven by new development. The current limitation on new enrollment is for the 2018-19 school year and until a more permanent solution (such as construction of a new school, classroom addition, and/or the modification of attendance boundaries) can be implemented.