

May 22, 2017

Dear Madden Elementary Parents and Guardians,

I am hopeful that you and your family are enjoying the last few days of the 2016-17 school year at Madden Elementary! I am writing to inform you about the decision for Madden Elementary regarding student enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year, and our plans to address the continuing growth along the Grand Parkway corridor.

As previously communicated to the Madden Elementary School community last summer and in August, 2016, meeting the needs of students while responding to the growth continues to be a priority. As you may recall, we conducted parent focus group meetings last May and discussed plans to add portable buildings to accommodate the student growth, as well as the possibility of capping enrollment. While the decision was ultimately made to add a few portable buildings to address rising student enrollment, the continued growth in the area and enrollment projections provided by the District's independent demographer (Population and Survey Analysts, or PASA) have led to the decision to close enrollment at Madden Elementary.

After careful review of increasing enrollment trends and knowing that Madden's projected enrollment exceeds the building capacity, it has been determined that effective June 1, 2017, enrollment for students in grades 1-5 will be capped, which means that any student that is not currently enrolled and attending Madden Elementary by the last day of school this year will not attend Madden for the 2017-2018 school year. Instead, the students new to the Madden community will attend an overflow campus, which is Oyster Creek Elementary. **Please know, students currently enrolled at Madden who live in the 2017-18 Madden Elementary attendance zone will continue to attend Madden in the 2017-18 school year. Additionally, all students entering kindergarten will enroll and attend Madden for the 2017-2018 school year.**

At this time, the District plans to cap enrollment at Madden and use Oyster Creek Elementary as the overflow campus until a more permanent solution is identified, such as construction of a new elementary school.

The Oyster Creek Elementary community is excited to welcome students from Madden and is prepared to meet their needs. The principal, Lisa Langston, will communicate with the families regarding an upcoming "Meet the Teacher" event before school begins, as well as provide other information and support to ensure a seamless entry into the school.

We value your partnership and understand that you may have questions, and we are inviting you to submit your questions through *Let's Talk*. We will be compiling feedback and responses, and will revise the attached FAQ document as necessary to address questions that you may have regarding this process. We will post the FAQ on the Madden Elementary website this month. To submit your feedback, please [click here](#).

In closing, I want to thank you for your support of Madden Elementary and Fort Bend ISD. We appreciate you and look forward to a terrific 2017-18 school year.

Sincerely,

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