

#### May 8, 2024 Community Engagement Session

# Welcome!



Table **#** 

Thank You For Being Here Tonight!

- Please introduce yourself to others at your table
- Complete the information on the sign-in sheet



#### Sign-in Sheet | Hoja de Registro

Please sign in as a record of your participation in this session. Por favor anote su nombre como registro de su participación en esta sesión

Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number	Email	Check All That Apply
Nombre	Dirección	Numero Telefonico	Correo Electronico	Marque todo lo que corresponda
1.				Parent Current Student     Parent Former Student     Alumni Staff     Community Member     Business Owner
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# I Have A Question or Comment!

#### For questions, please:

- Complete a form  $\rightarrow$
- Send a Let's Talk at u-46.org/letstalk
- Email UniteU46@u-46.org
- Ask during small group work time

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	HAVE A QUESTION!
	I would like to be contacted by a Unite U-46 sentative who can respond to this question/comment:
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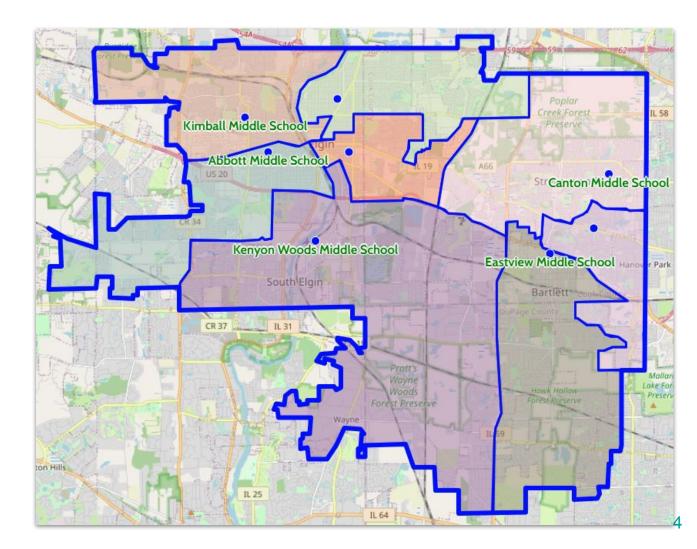
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# Agenda



- New Middle School Model
- Boundary recommendations for new middle school
- Plan to open the new middle school
- Middle school transition plan
  - 6th grade transition
  - Support sessions





#### **Developing And Implementing The Middle School Model**

# **Overview of Steering Committee Work**

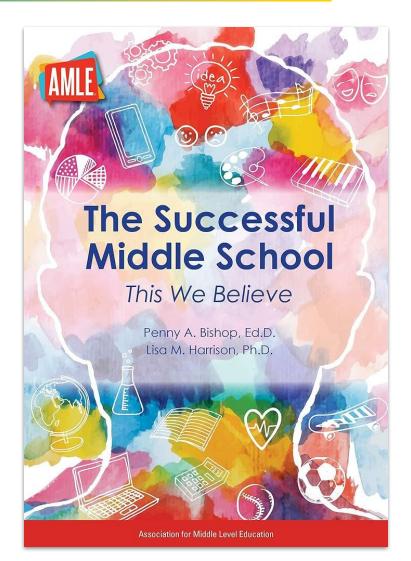
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#### Internal, staff committee

Read:

The Successful Middle School This We Believe

- Developed the belief system:
   Portrait of a Thriving Adolescent
- Formed subcommittees:
  - Curriculum and Instruction
  - Advisory
  - Schedule
  - Transition Planning



# **Moral Imperative**

# Our moral imperative is to change until all our systems measurably work for all children.



## Association for Middle Level Education Characteristics of Successful Middle Schools











#### **Middle School Construction Update**





#### **Groundbreaking Ceremony**

#### **Work in Progress**

- Exterior building foundations nearing completion
- Site clearing and detention pond work nearing completion
- Masonry complete for the gymnasium conversion - ready for steel work
- Interior walls and door frames in-progress









#### Addition of the new instructional wing





Previous gym, future science classrooms





U-46 Board of Education and Village of Bartlett President & Trustees visit construction site





**Renovations planned for existing classrooms** 

# New Middle School in Elgin Update





- Land acquired
  - Conceptual design started
- Architect and construction manager hired
- Target opening fall 2026

# Middle School Renovations & Additions





Kimball Middle School - Elgin



Kenyon Woods Middle School - South Elgin

Conceptual design started Architect and construction manager hired Target opening fall 2026



#### Boundary Recommendations For New Middle School In Bartlett

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- On May 6, U-46 administration presented boundary recommendations to the Board of Education for the new middle school in Bartlett
  - At former Hawk Hollow Elementary site
  - Scheduled for occupancy in August 2025

Board will vote on May 20 whether to approve these recommendations



**Virtual Walk-Through** Scan QR Code  $\rightarrow$ 



# Community Based Boundary Guidelines and Criteria







**Student Government Day** 



#### School District U-46: Boundary Changes Survey

Would you like to take the survey in English or Spanish? ¿Le gustaría realizar la encuesta en inglés o español?



O Spanish Español



# Boundary Guidelines and Criteria Prioritized by the U-46 Community

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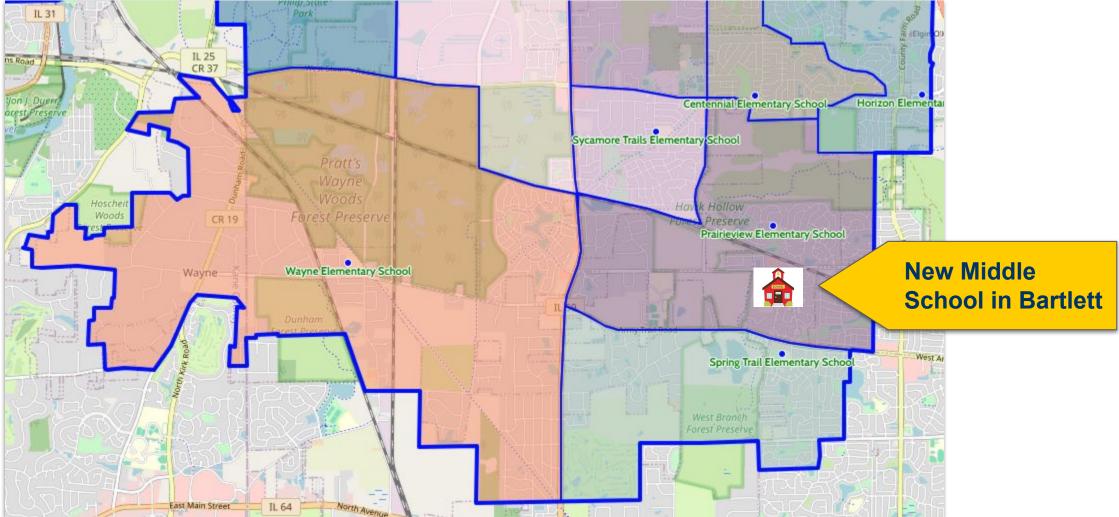
- Distance and travel times to school
- Consistent feeder patterns
- Proximity to schools and keeping communities together
- Ability of siblings to stay at the same school
- Stability of attendance boundaries.
   Avoid changes in two consecutive years.



#### Boundary Criteria Survey Scan QR Code → By May 15

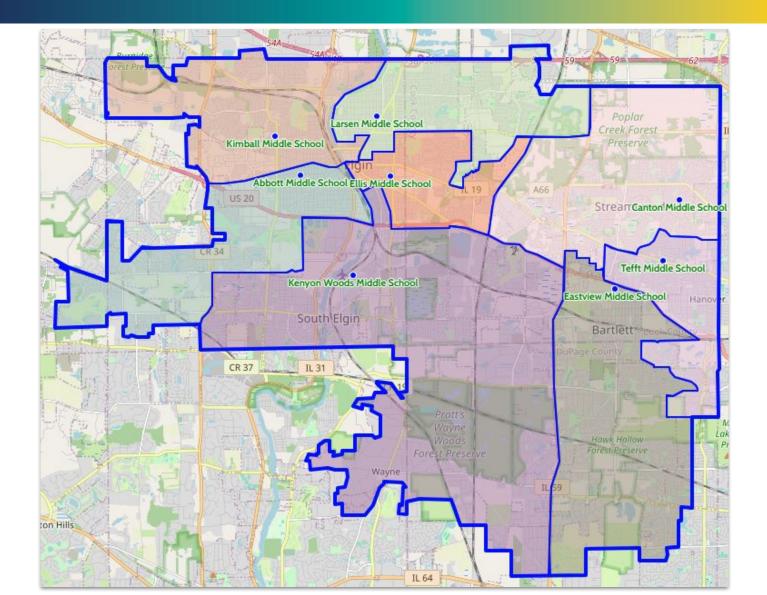
# Location Of New Middle School In Bartlett





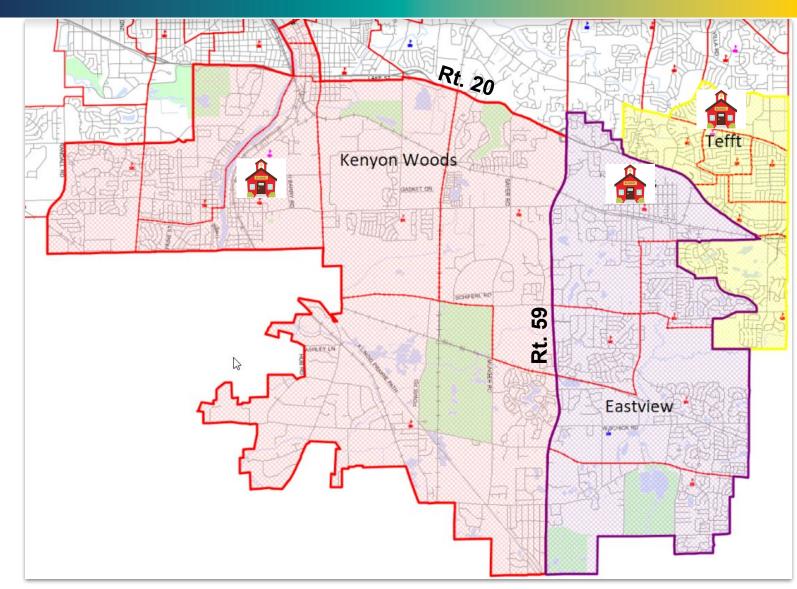
## **Current Middle School Boundaries**





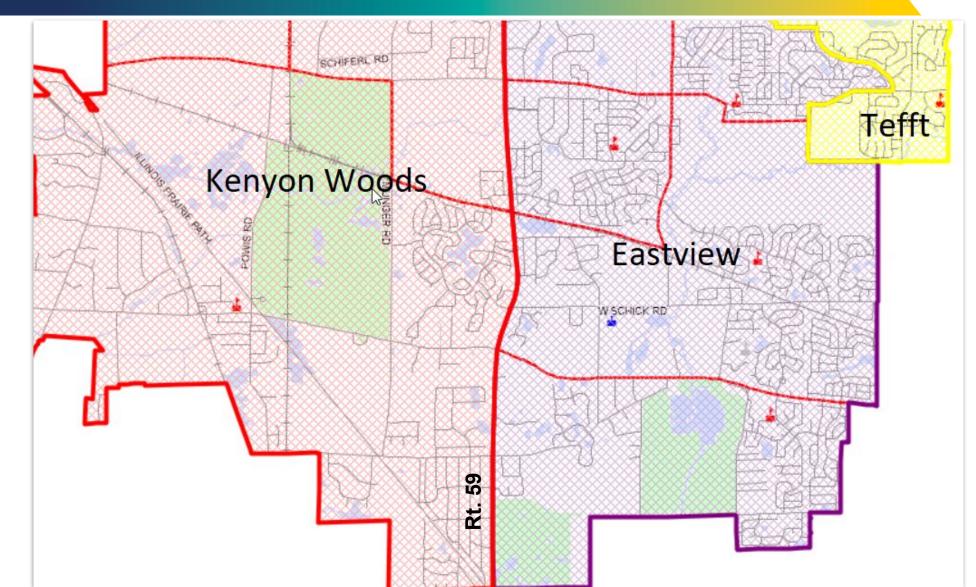
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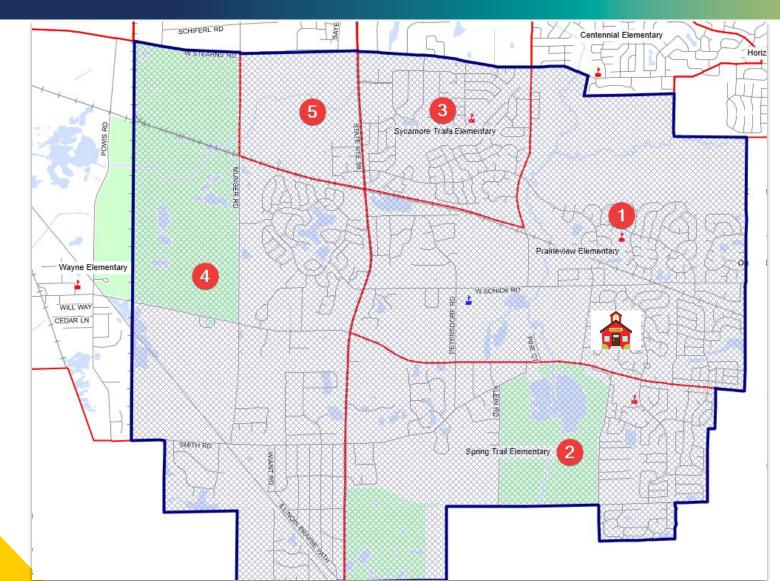




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# Recommended Boundary Map For New Middle School in Bartlett



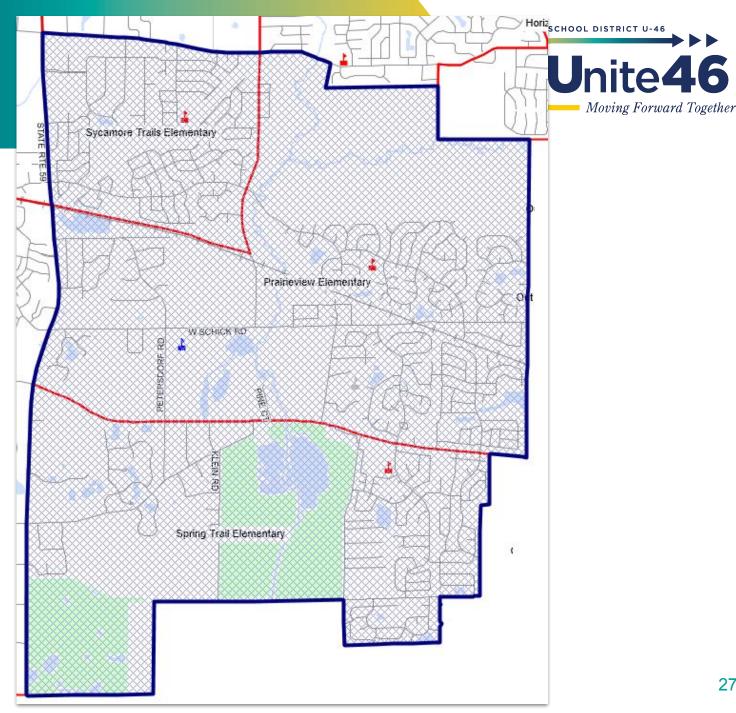


Will serve students assigned to the following elementary schools as their "home schools"

Home Elementary School	Portion of School Attendance Area
Prairieview	All
Spring Trail	All
Sycamore Trails	All
Wayne	East of Elgin Joliet and Eastern Railway tracks
Liberty	South of Stearns Rd.

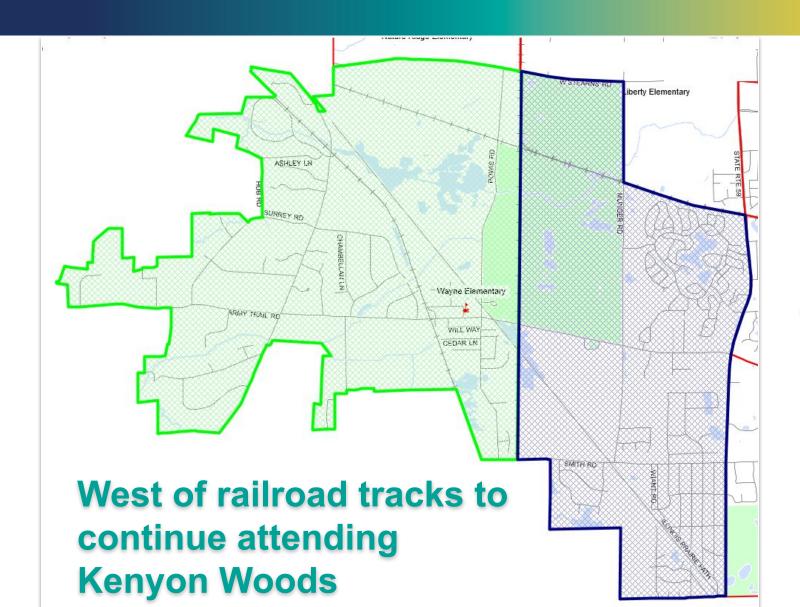
### **Prairieview, Spring Trail,** Sycamore Trails

All students from these three schools to attend new middle school



# Wayne Elementary

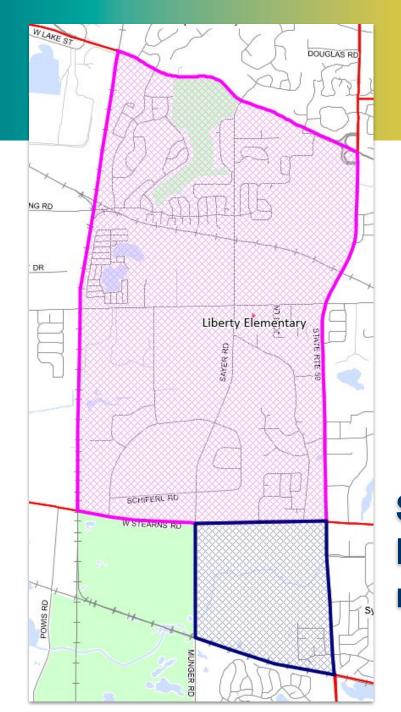




#### East of railroad tracks to attend new middle school

# **Liberty Elementary**

#### North of Stearns Road to continue attending Kenyon Woods Middle School





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# Impact of Development on Enrollment



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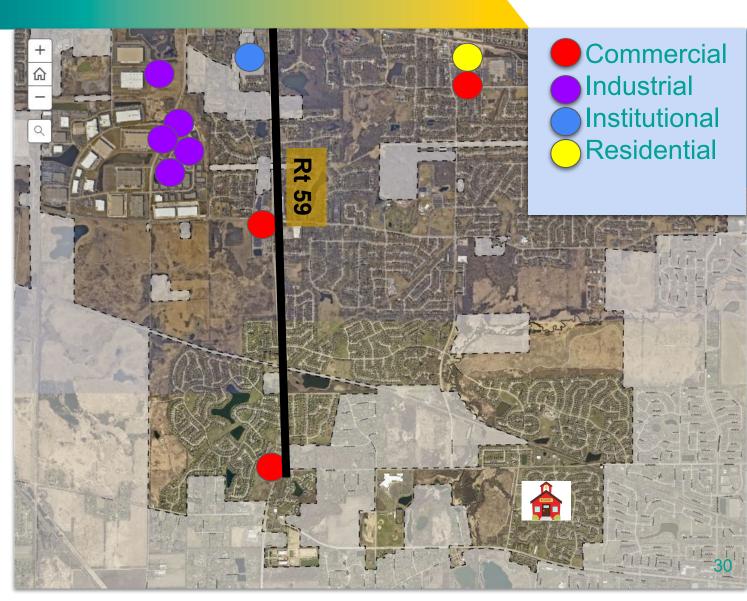
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# Current Development Projects in the Village

Explore the map on the right for current and proposed construction projects in the Village. Click on each of the colored circles for more information. You can also scroll through the left-side panel to see the entire list of projects. Currently, there are a total of 22 developments throughout the Village.

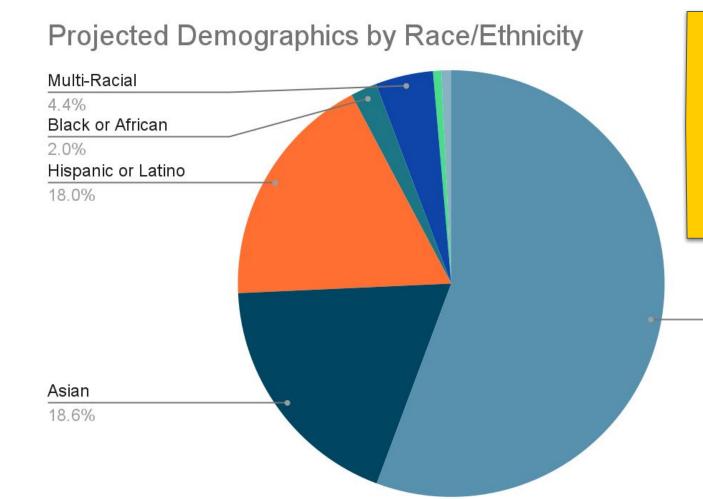
*For additional information about these projects contact the Planning and Development Services Department (PDS) at* (630)540-5920*.* 

Source: Village of Bartlett website



## Projected Demographics For New Middle School in Bartlett





School will serve approx. 250 students per grade.

Almost identical to current demographics at Eastview Middle School.



## Plan For Opening New Middle School in Bartlett



- Open August 2025
  - 7th grade only

#### • Considerations

- Student transitions
- Impact on athletics and other extracurricular activities
- Building access
- Staffing implications
- Other considerations

#### • Starting in 2026-27 school year

• Serve grades 6, 7 & 8



# **Naming the School**



#### Board Policy 4:150: Facility Management and Building Programs

- The Board of Education is responsible for the naming and renaming of school facilities.
- The Board of Education may solicit recommendations for its consideration from interested community residents.



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# Transition Planning Sub-Committee

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NAME	TITLE
Dr. Leatrice Satterwhite	Director of Specialized Student Services
Griselda Pirtle	Director of Multicultural and Multilingual Education Department
Karla Jimenez	Director of School and Community Relations
Kyle Wright	Assistant Principal - Canton Middle School
Jacqueline Vrchota	Assistant Principal - Huff Elementary School
Eunice Matos	Dual Language 6th grade teacher- Lords Park Elementary School
Lisa Stahl	Teacher, Specialized Student Services - Kimball Middle School

# **Transition Planning Sub-Committee**



#### **Purpose of the committee:**

- Students will be confident to navigate their new environment.
- Students will have a sense of belonging within their classrooms and the overall school environment.



# **Parent/Community Sessions**



Provide U-46 current and future middle school families and community with overview of updated middle school model and sites.

#### Topics to include:

- Why shift to Middle School Model?
- What is the shift (Portrait of Thriving Adolescent)?
- Timeline
- New Structures (i.e. schedules)
- Updated Middle School sites
- Supports and Resources Available
- Promote Fall, Spring & Summer Student Events

# **Student Transition Sessions**



#### **Fall Events**

#### **Spring Event**

#### **Summer Event**

- Student Zoom to introduce middle school concept and environment
- Middle School Counselors & Administrators visit elementary schools

• Students visit middle schools.

- Middle School Experience
  - Students engage in activities to build strong relationships before start of school year

# **Communication Resources**



- New middle school model shift
- Portrait of Thriving Adolescent
- Process and Planning
- Timeline
- Session Schedule
- Resources
- FAQ's
- Contact Information



# Unite U-46 Next Steps Districtwide boundary adjustments







# Small Group Work Activity Reporting





#### **Instructions:**

- As a group, please provide your thoughts on the steps to implement a successful transition to middle school.
  - Please use the spaces to add your feedback for each of the areas of the transition planning.
  - Also add any suggestions that would improve the transition process for students, families and community members.

# **Work Activity**



#### <u>Task #1</u>

Imagine you are a parent of a current third-grader who will be in the first class of sixth graders at our U-46 middle schools.

- A. What feedback or questions do you have regarding the parent transition?
- B. What feedback or questions do you have about the student experience?
- c. What do you think your child will want to know or see before coming to their new school?

# **Work Activity**



#### <u>Task #2</u>

Imagine you are a neighbor of an updated or new middle school who does not have children in U-46 schools.

A. As you think about how the school's opening will impact your neighborhood now and in years to come, what elements of the transition process are most important to you?

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# **Thank You!**

# See you in the Fall

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