

2012-13 Redistricting Proposal

- This fall Forsyth County Schools will be redistricting for the 2012-13 school year. The three areas of concentration include:
 - Elementary school redistricting,
 - High school redistricting and
 - Reviewing all existing elementary, middle and high school attendance lines and feeder patterns affected by changes in lines.
- The last time the school system redistricted was for the opening of five new schools in 2009. Since that time, Forsyth County Schools has added 4,500 new students to now be home to over 37,000 students.

2012-13 Redistricting: Area #1

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Redistrict to populate Kelly Mill ES (opening 2012) and also relieve overcrowding/provide room for growth at:
 - Cumming ESSawnee ES
 - Vickery Creek ESWhitlow ES

2012-13 Redistricting: Area #2

HIGH SCHOOL

- The goal is to adjust the school attendance lines to relieve overcrowding at North Forsyth HS and to populate Forsyth Central HS.
 - NFHS is over capacity and has students attending classes in 19 trailers.
 - FCHS is under capacity by 737 students, which has resulted in the school providing fewer course offerings compared to other schools in the county.
- High school redistricting may not preclude FCS reviewing other high school attendance lines, to relieve overcrowding, populate schools or align feeder schools/attendance zones.

2012-13 Redistricting: Area #3

ALL EXISTING LINES AND FEEDER PATTERNS

- Review the elementary, middle and high school feeder patterns affected by changes in lines.
- Feeder patterns designate the schools that students follow as they transition from one level to the next.
- The goal is to keep students together as they feed from elementary school, to middle school, and finally to high school. Middle school and high school zones are comprised of the elementary attendance zones that feed into them.
- Please note that redistricting may not preclude Forsyth County Schools reviewing other school attendance lines to relieve overcrowding, populate schools or align feeder schools/attendance zones.

Redistricting Timeline

- Aug. 18 Present proposal to BOE
- Aug. 25 Called BOE mtg, 6 pm
- Aug. 30 Mtg. with affected school principals

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK: ROUND ONE

- Sept. 8 Staff presents draft #1 of lines to BOE
- Sept. 9 Post maps online and in schools/PDC
- Sept. 9 - 30 LSC feedback
- Sept. 12 Information mtg for affected LSC/principals

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK : ROUND TWO

- Oct. 13 Staff presents draft #2 of lines to BOE
- Oct. 17 Post maps online and in schools/PDC
- Oct. 17 – Oct. 31 Online stakeholder feedback
- Oct. 25 ES & MS Public Hearing, 7 pm @FCHS
- Oct. 27 HS Public Hearing, 7 pm @FCHS
- Nov. 3 Called BOE mtg, 4 pm
- Nov. 10 Staff presents recommended draft to BOE
- Nov. 17 BOE approves 2012 District Lines

Redistricting Communications

- District and school websites
 - www.forsyth.k12.ga.us/redistricting
- LSC recommendations for collecting feedback
- Print and enewsletters
- Social media
- Local media
- ParentPortal (postings and emails)
- ANGEL postings
- Printed flyer for elementary students
- Letters to redistricted families