



Kent County Public Schools

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To: Parents, Guardians, and Community Members

From: Dr. Karen M. Couch, Superintendent of Kent County Public Schools

Re: Board of Education Action and Written Decision to Close Millington Elementary School and Worton Elementary School

Date: March 22, 2017

The Kent County Board of Education conducted a special public meeting with citizen participation on March 20, 2017. At that meeting, the Board of Education voted in favor of a motion to adopt my recommendation to close Millington Elementary School and Worton Elementary School with modifications to the boundary adjustment for Garnet Elementary effective August 1, 2017. Students currently attending these schools will be re-districted as set forth in the Superintendent's written report and recommendation of January 30, 2017 and the revised boundary adjustments presented on March 13, 2017.

The motion approved by the Board is set forth below. A copy of the Superintendent's written report and recommendation of January 30, 2017 with the revised boundary adjustments are attached.

Motion

"I move that the Board of Education of Kent County adopt the Superintendent's recommendation to close Millington Elementary School and Worton Elementary School, including the revised boundary adjustment as presented on March 13, 2017, which school closures and boundary adjustments will become effective August 1, 2017 and prior to the start of the 2017-2018 school year, and I further move that the Superintendent's written report and recommendation dated January 30, 2017, including the revised boundary adjustment dated March 13, 2017, be incorporated by reference into this motion as the Board of Education's final written decision setting forth the rationale for the Board of Education's decision to close Millington Elementary School and Worton Elementary School and setting forth the rationale for the school closings and the impact of the school closings in accordance with the factors set forth in COMAR 13A.02.09.01B, and I further move that that the Superintendent provide written notification of this Board's decision to the affected community in the geographic attendance areas for Millington Elementary School and Worton Elementary School as well as to the affected communities for the schools to which students shall be relocated and that this written notification shall advise of the right to appeal this decision to the Maryland State Board of Education within thirty days of this date."

Information regarding the elementary school your child will attend in the 2017-18 school year may be found on the district website www.kent.k12.md.us under the consolidation tab. An interactive map is available will direct you to the appropriate school attendance zone after entering your home address. You may also obtain school attendance zone information by contacting the Superintendent's office at 410-778-7113.

The motion with the incorporated Superintendent's written report and recommendation constitute the final written decision of the Board of Education. This decision may be appealed to the Maryland State Board of Education, 200 W. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, in accordance with Section 4-205(c) of the Education Article to the Annotated Code of Maryland if taken in writing within thirty (30) days of the date of the Board of Education's decision of March 20, 2017.