Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

January 20, 2022

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Monifa B. McKnight, Interim Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Gaithersburg Cluster Elementary School #8 Boundary Study (11-18-2021-01-A, -B)

During *Supplement A—Interim Superintendent's Recommendation for the Gaithersburg Cluster Elementary School #8 Boundary Study* discussion, Mrs. Smondrowski requested the following information:

Question A

Is there a possibility of having an option for rising grade 7 students to stay in their current schools for the continuity of their education and to assist with their mental well-being?

Response

On November 18, 2021, the Board of Education approved the resolution for the Gaithersburg Elementary School #8 Boundary Study (Resolution No. 543-21). With respect to middle school students, while the adopted resolution included the grandfathering of rising grade 8 students, it did not include the grandfathering of rising Grade 7 students; therefore, in the 2022–2023 school year, the rising Grade 7 students who were reassigned as part of the adopted boundary study will need to relocate to their reassigned school. If a student desires to remain at their current school, the *Change of School Assignment* process would be required.

Question B

Please provide data regarding the number of grade 7 students impacted in this boundary study.

Response

There are approximately 100 Grade 7 students who will be impacted by the adopted boundary reassignment when the it is implemented in the 2022–2023 school year.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Eugenia S. Dawson, chief of finance and operations, via email, or Mr. Seth P. Adams, director of facilities management, via email.

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