

December 7 Community Boundary Study Feedback

Option A

Considers reassigning students from McLean HS to Langley HS and from Longfellow MS to Cooper MS in the Colvin Run ES split feeder area and a portion of Westbriar ES

Strengths

I think this is a good option

We do not want Langley overcrowded, and McLean NEEDS a renovation and a minor boundary adjustment in the meantime.

Good because Colvin Run is no longer a split feeder. Grandfathering is good.

It affects the least number of students and makes two elementary schools single feeders.

The strength is that it moves a moderate amount of students to balance enrollments.

Works

This would accomplish the goal of moving kids from McLean/Longfellow to Langley, but there isn't the natural feed with Westbriar, I believe, as there is with Option B.

Approve

As a Colvin Run family, I would like my kids to stay with their friends.

Given the overcrowded situation in McLean High School, I support either option A or B.

Seems to make sense since it mainly rezones the Colvin Run. And Colvin Run is mainly in the Langley pyramid anyway. But Wolf Trap Woods and other zoned for Spring Hill stay with Mclean pyramid. Again, consistent.

Geographically speaking, these ES are closer to Langley HS, so it makes sense. However, we need to address the Tysons area students, which this plan does not do.

Support this option.

Pro: Eliminates Colvin Run as a split feeder school and helps balance capacity between McLean and Langley.

If select this option -- very long-term grandfathering to be fair to the students and families.

Strengths - brings in some of the elementary schools impacted by Tysons growth.

Option A seems the cleanest and impacts the least number while addressing the need to move students; like that keeps more CRES students together. Most desirable of first three options.

From just a map view, if the families in this scenario are going to ES that feed into Cooper, it only makes sense to move them to Langley. Avoid split ES, MS and HS move. Pyramids should remain consistent so kids can stay in their cohorts.

The numbers on this one seem to make the most sense - not overcrowding any one school too much.

Minimal change that can still alleviate the overcrowded issue at MHS

Ends split feeder for CRES. Appears to be long transit time? Moderate number of students being moved.

Langley is under capacity by 400 students

Solves split feeder problem

Leaves room for growth at Langley because FCPS student forecasts are much lower than Fairfax county forecasts

Best Option

Sensible size and solves split feeder

It offers some relief

This is a good start, but I believe that once you consider future development in Tysons and discount the "capacity" created by the modular, it's an inadequate solution.

Utilizes renovations

Redrawing the boundaries to send students from Mclean to Langley HS uses the renovation that has already been completed at Langley to decrease the overcrowding at McLean. This is true also for Longfellow MS sending some students coming from an elementary school that is split between Cooper and Longfellow to Cooper and eventually Langley.

Strengths: keeps CRES kids together going to Cooper and Langley. I believe this option ranks #2 out of 4.

Moves fewer students

Keeps school together

A predictable option with no outliers

Appears to affect the smallest area.

Strengths: Good option. Area for Langley maintains continuity.

Eliminates split from Colvin Run.

Challenges

This is a short term bandage on a huge wound, just like each option, scratches the surface of a long term problem.

Not really a solution that helps the problem.

The challenge is that it would move an area that consists entirely of single-family homes.

It is inconsistent with the One Fairfax policy as it will increase ESOL/FARMS rates and McLean and reduce them even further at Langley.

This option does not give a significant relief to MHS. The Tysons area is growing and could impact MHS soon then we think.

All kids moved will be replaced by kids from Tysons.

Not a solution - this is not a substantial enough difference to make a change long term. MHS will still be dealing with over capacity issues.

Not a good option - Minimal impact of boundary adjustment. Leaves McLean with capacity issues.

Just doesn't do enough

This option makes geographic sense -- but they all make geographic sense. Unfortunately it just won't make enough of a dent in the overcrowding problem.

My biggest concern about this option is the projected growth in Tysons development, which seems to be underestimated in the projected growth in the capacity projection. It just doesn't move enough students to have a long term effect.

This is only a short-sided approach to a long term-problem that will progressively get worse and leave students in limbo yet again in the near future. Our kids deserve better planning than this from our leadership and from us.

Con: The commute is pretty far to Langley from this area

Con: Does little to diversify Langley since Tysons remains at McLean.

The modular building should not be counted towards the capacity of McLean High School. It is a semi-permanent building but should not be a permanent building.

This option does not address homes that are closer to Langley HS.

Not in Favor

This doesn't feel like it moves enough students to decrease capacity appropriately at MHS.

Transportation will be a challenge – getting children to both Cooper and Langley will be longer commutes than their parents have to work.

Not enough students will be moved to lower the overcrowding issue. Additionally, this will create even larger attendance islands which the school board states is an objective

Not enough students will be moved

It will soon get overcrowded again

Marshall is underutilized. Are some students being assigned to Marshall?

I strongly oppose redoing school boundaries for Langley. We were overcrowded few years ago

The number of the students to be moved to the new school may not be enough. Are we going to do another boundary change again if Mclean and Longfellow become overcrowded again?

Challenges: i believe LHS enrollment numbers went up this year which was contrary to initial projections; this may result in future overcrowding.

Leaves McLean close to full

May not be enough to alleviate MHS overcrowding

Weakness: does not provide as much relief to McLean.

All the students of CRES will have the same path. Does not solve the McLean HS problem long term.