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## **Informational Memo: Redistricting Monthly Update**

TO: School Board

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An imbalance in elementary school enrollment among the three elementary schools necessitated a review of school attendance areas in 2016. At that time, the community experienced the widest disparity in elementary school student enrollments in over 50 years. Crow Island educated 45% of K-4 students in the District and was deemed over capacity. Greeley was under capacity and Hubbard Woods near optimal capacity. Due to this disparity in elementary enrollment, anticipated future enrollment levels at each elementary school, and a commitment to equitable educational programming and services, a shift in school attendance boundaries is required.

Redistricting alone does not ensure equitable programming. School facilities also influence how and when programming is offered. Therefore, the School Board expanded the enrollment balancing initiative to include a facility review. With a recently approved Educational Master Facility Plan, we now have a commitment to maintain the neighborhood school model with (3) K-4 schools and (1) 5-8 school campus and are able to re-engage in the redistricting work to find the best possible solution to a very complex and emotional challenge.

At the November 27, 2018, School Board meeting, the School Board reviewed and agreed to the proposed redistricting process and timeline. The administration committed to monthly School Board updates to monitor progress and uphold accountability to the timeline.