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Dear Newton Community,

As many of you are aware, it is an exciting time of facilities renovation and expansion in the Newton elementary schools. The new Angier School is close to completion and will open this January. Zervas will then move into the renovated Carr School for 18 months before moving back to a new building. A rebuilt Cabot School is planned to open in January 2019.

Given that we currently have elementary schools that are overcrowded and new schools that will have greater capacity, a Student Assignment Working Group worked all of last year to come up with solutions to alleviate crowding at some of our schools while taking advantage of our expanded capacity at our new schools. Disrupting the least number of families and neighborhoods was a very high priority. Students currently enrolled in elementary school will not be moved to another school. The changes are strictly for students entering Kindergarten or those new to Newton.

After a great deal of input from stakeholders, the School Committee has formally approved the changes to elementary boundary line changes. They go into effect this fall. The changes impact the boundaries at the following schools: Angier, Bowen, Burr, Countryside, Mason-Rice, Ward, Williams and Zervas.

A full description of the year-long process that resulted in the approved policy changes is available on the Newton Public Schools website under District Initiatives/Expanding Our Capacity/Student Assignment. A listing of changes by street is also available on this web page. For more information, please visit: <http://www.newton.k12.ma.us/district-initiatives>

An elementary school district map reflecting new school boundaries as of September 16, 2015 is available at: <http://www.newtonma.gov/gov/it/gis/indexmaps.asp>

Also the "Find My School" application is available on the City of Newton and Newton Public Schools websites. Use this convenient online tool to look up districted schools by address at: <http://apps.newtonma.gov/residential-services>

As our schools continue to be renovated and rebuilt, we do anticipate another examination of our boundary lines. I will be certain to keep you well informed of the process as we proceed.

Sincerely,

David Fleishman
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