

NE Elementary Community Boundary Study Public Email Log: 10/18/17 to 10/24/17

Date: 10/18/2017, 2200 hrs

Name: Jennifer Pasterfield

Hi I wanted to voice some concerns regarding the boundary study. We moved to Chapel Road this year and my children switched from Joppa view elementary to Gunpowder. We are not that far into the school year and the level of experiences, education and dedication at Gunpowder is astoundingly better than Joppa View. The study has us moving to the new school in every scenario. I am concerned about several things. First being the bus transportation. We do not have sidewalks where we are on chapel and cannot walk to a stop. Currently the bus picks up at our house and the kids get in on and off on the same side of the street as our house. Gunpowder is a straight shot across bel air road so the bus doesn't have to loop around. I am worried that they will be expected to cross the street to get onto the bus as the new school is in the opposite direction of gunpowder. Chapel road is a busy road. People constantly go well above the speed limit. I cannot see having my children cross that road twice a day. I am also concerned that the new school will not offer the many activities that are available at Gunpowder. This seems to vary by school and it is disappointing to find out that Joppa View did not have these clubs and activities available. I am also concerned about the impact of switching what will be a fourth grader to a new school. Will there be people to assist in transitions especially for those students who struggle with anxiety? I recognize this is a huge undertaking and many people are inevitably going to be affected. My biggest concern is the bus. I cannot see how it is safe for children to be crossing chapel road. Thank you for your time. Jenn

Date: 10/22/2017, 1941 hrs

Name: Marie Robertson

Our community at Parkside has a long history of attending Chapel Hill Elementary! Our community's impact from the new boundary maps has not been discussed or addressed! Our community in ALL maps is designated to the new Northeast Elementary School. Our concerns are diversity, equity, and safety! See you on October 25th!!

Date: 10/22/2017, 2309 hrs

Name: Jet Lu

To whom it may concern, Recently I was made aware of the possible exclusion of my neighborhood from the Chapel Hill Elementary School. I would like to express concerns about this redistrict consideration. I'm a parent of two, with one currently attending Chapel Hill. The redistrict consideration to change our community from Chapel Hill to Northeast does not make the slightest sense, regardless of considering diversity, children safety, or geographical proximity. Honeygo Blvd. is a four lane, high-speed, heavy traffic, main road. I am extremely concerned about children safety when it comes to daily commute. Chapel Hill has a non-White ratio of 27.5%. This is an extremely low diversity ratio, and our planning block consist of communities with the most diversity. These communities bring the most amazing cultural enrichment to the school and kids. I would like to acquire information on how I can possibly influence this decision. I will fight with all of my ability to defend the best of Chapel Hill Elementary's interest to keep this planning block within its school zone. Best regards, Jet Lu

Date: 10/22/2017, 2322 hrs

Name: Mark Chou

To whom it may concern, I am writing to express my and my wife's serious concerns about the current proposed/study/recommendations of school boundary. It appears that the proposed boundary will effectively re-assign our kids to the new northeast elementary school. With the natural geographic boundary, it doesn't seem to make sense that the community gets redistricted to the new elementary school where you need to cross a 4-lane (highway) Honeygo Blvd. Using Honeygo blvd as natural divider, I believe my community (east of Honeygo) should be in Chapel Hill (also east of Honeygo). Having the school bus full of kids turning out of our community (where there is no traffic control) and then needs to immediately merge into a traffic that's usually at speed in excess of 50+mph and just in less then 1/4 mile after merging into traffic, the bus will need to make a left turn onto Joppa. All these needs to be done with no traffic/speed control and the traffic usually flies up and down honeygo blvd. This is seriously dangerous and puts the bus with full of kids in extreme high risk of potential accident waiting to happen. I don't think anyone should put kids in this type of high potential risk and harms way, EVERYDAY. As a local resident in the area for many years, I have seen lots of traffic accidents along Honeygo. Due to speed. It is just not safe and I (as the local voter and tax payer) strongly oppose re-districting our community to the new northeast elementary school. We should be kept in Chapel Hill Elementary, where it is in close proximity and safer for the kids to go to school. As a local resident/concerned parent/local voter as well as tax payer, I am seriously concerned with the options that are being considered for our community and I am also very concerned and worry about the safety of our kids, having the needs to cross a 4-lane high speed traffic. Sencerly, Mark (extremely concerned parent)

Date: 10/23/2017, 1113 hrs

Name: Marie Robertson

KEEP PARKSIDE AT CHAPEL HILL! See you on October 25th to discuss diversity, equity and safety! The latest option, #7 appears to be motivated by other concerns and not inclusive of all members of the community. Gerrymandering!

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Date: 10/23/2017, 1127 hrs

Name: Charlie Eleftheriou

To Whom It May Concern, As concerned residents of the Parkside neighborhood (Sunni Perch Court) and local voters, we write you urgently, asking you to reconsider the current proposed elementary school redistricting options. Our neighborhood is slated to be switched from Chapel Hill Elementary to the new Northeast Elementary School, and our residents have major anxiety with this plan. With concern, we are writing to ask that you reconsider the current redistricting proposals for the following reasons: 1. Safety Issues - There are major safety concerns given the major 4-lane highway Honeygo Boulevard. Slow buses pulling out into fast traffic and having to quickly move to the far left lane to turn onto Joppa Road is a recipe for disaster, and as we all know, folks fly up and down Honeygo Boulevard. There have already been accidents recently at our neighborhood's entrance. Safety issues should be a main concern. 2. Natural Boundaries - Honeygo Boulevard is an obvious natural boundary for a school district, and there are safety concerns as outlined above. 3. Overcrowding - Northeast Elementary School is set to open at 95% capacity, with admittedly no room for expansion. Looking closer at the claimed census of children on the plot maps, the information seems inaccurate in some places (some areas erroneously show 0 children), which would likely cause Northeast to open at or over capacity. All the while, Chapel Hill would be under capacity with certain map options. 4. Proximity - Our close proximity to Chapel Hill Elementary makes us a perfect fit for the school. All of the other school districts in the area are neat and tidy, keeping adjacent neighborhood kids in the same schools together, while all of the map options for our neighborhood seem gerrymandered with us oddly cut into the Northeast Elementary School's boundary. We have homes that are less than 0.3 miles from Chapel Hill; it seems odd that we're being pulled across busy Honeygo Boulevard and down Joppa Road all the way to Northeast Elementary School. 5. Diversity - Our neighborhood is very diverse in nationality and culture, and this diversity would be a welcome benefit to Chapel Hill Elementary School. We thank you for taking these concerns into account as we move forward planning our area's school districts to account for the new Northeast Elementary School. Sincerely, Charlie Eleftheriou

Date: 10/23/2017, 1246 hrs

Name: Jason Bensol

I have been a resident for new Perry Hall for over 20 years. I have been a White Marsh league baseball coach for the community. We decided as a family to stay in the community due to our community being zoned to Chapel Hill Elementary school. We have two boys currently enrolled in Chapel Hill Elementary school. They have done extremely well at the school. We have been very happy with Chapel Hill management, teachers and administration. All of my two son's friends will continue to be zoned at Chapel Hill.

Our community is very close to Chapel Hill Elementary School and we do not currently have to cross Honeygo Boulevard. Our community can be consider walkers for Chapel Hill. There is no way we can ever be considered a walker for the new school. Moving our community to the new school will pose a high risk safety concerns with children crossing a very busy and dangerous Honeygo boulevard during the rush hours. This will also be very difficult for the school buses to be able to make a left turn to Joppa Rd. The busy Highway should be considered as a major infrastructure barrier. From all the options presented, our community PB 30 has been cut from Chapel Hill elementary school. There has not been any discussions as to how this switch to the new northeast elementary school would affect our community.

Our planning block (PB 30) consist of two major parks in the area, Honeygo run park and Gough Park, the use of these two parks occupy 75% of our planning block and should be accounted for accordingly. This should be considered as a boundary since there will be no development in this area. Our community has a current enrollment of 42 students and is stable with very little turnover.

I am also a HOA member for our community at Parkside. Our community members has expressed their deep concern and disappointment that we are currently not in the option maps to stay in Chapel Hill. This has caused a great deal of stress and concern for our community in Parkside. The community would like to stay in the Chapel Hill school zoning. Please keep PB 30 zoned for Chapel Hill. Please keep our community in the Chapel Hill Family. Thanks in advance for your time and help. Thanks, Jason Bensol

Date: 10/23/2017, 1258 hrs

Name: Suzette Bensol

From all the options presented, our community PB 30 has been cut from Chapel Hill elementary school. There has not been any discussions as to how this switch to the new northeast elementary school would affect our community. I am an active volunteer at Chapel Hill Elementary School and involved in school activities and events. Active Involvement of the parents is extremely important for the success of the school and our children. The new school do not offer enough parking space for school events and this is a concern for us parents who are actively involved in their children's school activities. I would like my kids to stay at Chapel Hill where they have friends they've known since Kindergarten. They are doing extremely well in Chapel Hill and we do not want them to be transferred to the new school. We are happy with the Chapel Hill community and it is important for our family to maintain that relationship with the communities close to us. Our closest community member is approximately a third of a mile from Chapel Hill elementary school. Our community can currently walk to Chapel Hill Elementary but with the new school we have to commute and cross the busy Honeygo boulevard which would be very dangerous for our children.

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We want to stay at Chapel Hill Elementary School. Please consider reviewing our community's location and concerns about this new boundary change. Thank you, Suzette Bensol

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Date: 10/23/2017, 1326 hrs

Name: Rachel Lin

Hi, I am writing about the school boundary redistricting issue for our community, PB30-42. We are concerned with the redistricting of moving our community and kids to the new northeast school. Our community borders Honeygo blvd and it is a busy highway during commuting hours where traffics are moving at 50+mph speed. There is currently no traffic control over a stretch of ~1.5 miles, between ebenezer and joppa road. There is only one entry/exit in and out of our community, it will be very difficult for the school bus to turn out onto Honeygo and cut across the busy highway to be able to make a left on Joppa. I feel this will put our kids in a situation with high potentials of accident waiting to happen. We have a very diverse community members in PB30 with very active parent involvement in the community. The community is in such close proximity, it only makes sense for our kids to attend Chapel Hill and include PB-30 in the Chapel Hill school district. With such proximity, the kids can even be walkers. I believe our community (PB30), which is less then 0.25miles away from Chapel Hill, can add a lot of diversity value and benefits to Chapel Hill Elementary school learning experience. We ask you to consider putting PB30 on the map for Chapel Hill. Sincerely, Rachel (concerned parent of two wonderful girls)

Date: 10/23/2017, 1344 hrs

Name: Matt Deskin

Good day, I am writing in response to the recent rezoning plans for the new elementary school for the Northeast area. I appreciate your time and consideration, as I'm certain this has been an active forum. I live in the Parkside community off of Honeygo Blvd. If you're referencing the boundary map plans, see PB30. My daughter is in 3rd Grade at Chapel Hill Elementary School. Although there are many concerns and upsides to being included in the new school zone, I'd like to submit a few points for consideration to keep my neighborhood in Chapel Hill. Parkside has a wide diversity and is a close-knit community that I feel has been and will be for years to come, a benefit to Chapel Hill Elementary. My wife and I value this community characteristic for our daughter's upbringing and development, and find that Chapel Hill Elementary values it just as well. As you may be aware, Honeygo Blvd is an extremely high-volume traffic 4-lane motorway. Our community already has concerns with traffic when entering or exiting our neighborhood. I would like to make it abundantly clear that it will not only be hazardous for walkers to school, but for a school bus to pull out of the neighborhood into high traffic and attempt to cross lanes to make its way over to the left turning lane for Joppa Road, towards the new school. The traffic concern on Honeygo Blvd makes my last case for requesting our neighborhood be kept in the Chapel Hill Elementary School zone. Parkside is very close (¼ mile) to Chapel Hill Elementary and is a safe and convenient commute for students and parents. For the reasons mentioned above, I would very much appreciate your consideration in keeping Parkside in the zoning plan for Chapel Hill Elementary. I'm sure my neighbors and their families desire the same. Kind regards and thank you.

Date: 10/23/2017, 1449 hrs

Name: Jackie Diehm

As a member of the Parkside community (PB 30-42), with a daughter in first grade at Chapel Hill Elementary school, I recommend the use of Honeygo Boulevard and Honeygo Run Park as boundaries, allowing the Parkside community (PB 30) to remain within the Chapel Hill ES boundary. The Parkside community is located 0.6 miles from Chapel Hill ES. As the Parkside community is within the walkable area of Chapel Hill ES, PB 30 students should attend Chapel Hill ES. Additionally, moving the community to the new elementary school will pose safety concerns with crossing Honeygo Boulevard, a busy four-lane highway that carries major traffic during commuting hours. In the near future, the only exit from the community will be onto Honeygo Boulevard. This is a dangerous exit from the community during the morning and afternoon commutes as there is no traffic signal between Ebenezer Road and Joppa Road. The fast-moving traffic, will make it difficult for school buses to make a right turn onto Honeygo Boulevard and cross two lanes of traffic to turn left at the Joppa Road intersection to travel to the new school. This busy and dangerous highway should be considered as a major infrastructure barrier in the boundary study process. While the planning block for the Parkside community is geographically large, it consists of two parks (Honeygo Run Park and Gough Park), which occupy 75 percent of the planning block. The Parkside community does not have room for additional expansion. Additionally, the community is extremely stable with little turnover, and elementary enrollment will decrease, providing natural capacity relief to Chapel Hill ES in the coming years, as our children graduate to middle school. Thank you for your consideration, Jacqueline Diehm 9007 Sunni Perch Court

Date: 10/23/2017, 1543 hrs

Name: Laurie Kim

Hi, my name is Laurie Kim and i reside in PB 30 area. I was just informed that our area is being discussed to go the new school. However, i am very concerned with safety issue because my kids have to cross 4 lane road to get to school if he misses his bus. Our community is less than 0.6 miles away from chapel hill. So i am not eve sure why we are being moved when all the homes passed 95 freeway are getting included?? All my kids' friends are remaning in chapel hill and he will be the only one who will be moving to the new school. He will be scared and traumatized and wont want to go to school any more. Please do help us to remain in the school. Thank you. Laurie kim

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Date: 10/23/2017, 1629 hrs

Name: Charlie Eleftheriou

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1. Safety Issues – There are major safety concerns given the major 4-lane highway Honeygo Boulevard. Slow buses pulling out into fast traffic and having to quickly move to the far left lane to turn onto Joppa Road is a recipe for disaster, and as we all know, folks fly up and down Honeygo Boulevard. There have been accidents recently at our neighborhood's entrance. Safety concerns for our children and area drivers should be a main issue when considering boundaries.
2. Natural Boundaries – Honeygo Boulevard is an obvious natural boundary for a school district, and there are safety concerns as outlined above.
3. Overcrowding – Northeast Elementary School is set to open at 95% capacity, with admittedly no room for expansion. Looking closer at the claimed census of children on the plot maps, the information seems inaccurate in some places (some areas erroneously show 0 children), which would likely cause Northeast to open at or over capacity. All the while, Chapel Hill would be under capacity with certain map options.
4. Proximity – Our close proximity to Chapel Hill Elementary makes us a perfect fit for the school. All of the other school districts in the area are neat and tidy, keeping adjacent neighborhood kids in the same schools together, while all of the map options for our neighborhood seem gerrymandered with us oddly cut into the Northeast Elementary School's boundary. We have homes that are less than 0.3 miles from Chapel Hill; it seems odd that we're being pulled across busy Honeygo Boulevard and down Joppa Road all the way to Northeast Elementary School.
5. Diversity – Our neighborhood is very diverse in nationality and culture, and this diversity would be a welcome benefit to Chapel Hill Elementary School.

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Date: 10/23/2017, 1643 hrs

Name: Georgia Eleftheriou

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Date: 10/23/2017, 2047 hrs

Name: Abigail McGrath

To Whom It May Concern: Thank you for taking parents' concerns into consideration. I live on Castlemill Circle and my concerns are with Options 1 and 6. It appears that in both of these options, the areas surrounding us are both going to Joppa View Elementary School, but our area is going to the new school. In an effort to keep a sense of community, it makes sense for us to continue to attend Joppa View Elementary School along with those surrounding us. Thank you for your time and consideration. Respectfully, Abby McGrath (mother of attendees of Joppa View Elementary School)

Date: 10/23/2017, 2130 hrs

Name: Raul San Juan

Hello, My family and I are reaching out to you in concern for PB30. My wife and I have grown up in Perry Hall for 33 and 32 years respectively. We have been active in Perry Hall Rec since we were 9 years old. Chapel Hill Elementary is walking distance from our home. According to PB30 we have been omitted from Chapel Hill Elementary. This would mean that our child would have to cross the most dangerous street in Perry Hall. I would never cross this street and I would not allow my child to even with adult supervision. There are several other reasons, but this one hits home. We are truly concerned and stressed over this decision. Please consider our community and allow us to stay with our Chapel Hill community. Thank you for your consideration, 9013 Sunni Perch Court

Date: 10/23/2017, 2236 hrs

Name: Michele M. Clements

Hi, I just watched the last livestream video and have 2 questions or comments.

1-There were several committee members who expressed concern over the number of students at Vincent Farm as you were discussing the maps. During the video you mentioned that Vincent Farm will see some relief from the new Victory Villa school. That didn't seem to come across as several people mentioned Vincent Farm numbers. How will Victory Villa affect Vincent Farm? Will they still be over crowded. ***I think this should be brought out at the public meeting Wednesday to clarify VF numbers.

2-I heard the leader express concerns for having the new school at capacity because it has limited land space, parking, room for mobiles, etc. to be able to expand. To me the best option was option 8 which has the new school at 87% capacity. Keeping it lower would allow students to apply for and be accepted to the new school from Chapel Hill which seems to be the main issue the man in blue was concerned about. I think that maxing out that school is not a good idea given there is no room for relief in the future. It could become sort "spot in the middle" where if a school that will get no relief gets overcrowded then they could apply for admission to the new school.

Great work by the committee! I wish I would have been able to join. Michele Clements

Date: 10/24/2017, 0615 hrs

Name: Yash Patel

Hello everyone, I was writing to express deep concern and outrage over proposed rezoning for the new Northeast Elementary School which is scheduled to open for 2018-2019 academic year. Our community Parkside 1 and 2 designated as PB30, has been removed from the current Chapel Hill Elementary school zone and moved to the new NE Elementary school. We have been living here for about five years and have two children who are attending Chapel Hill Elementary school and it has been like a second home for them. Moving these kids along with others like them to a new school may have a negative impact on their learning and development especially when the reasons for the rezoning and excluding our small community from Chapel Hill does not make sense to me. I have studied some of the factors that the committee consider in order to make zoning decisions and to me it seems certain factors have been overlooked. For instance,

1- Honeygo Blvd is a four lane busy road with significant traffic activity which is only going to increase with new construction activity. That is a boundary that would be an easy cut off for new school rather than extending in just to include Parkside communities. Also, our kids that walk to school will be forced to cross the super busy Honeygo Blvd and raise safety issues.

2- our Parkside community is very diverse culturally and our families have a large contribution to maintaining cultural diversity in Chapel Hill Elementary school which will be missed.

3- Our Parkside community is surrounded by parks and forest conservation areas and there is no more room for development which means our families are not likely to overcrowd Chapel Hill in the future.

4- We have established positive ties and relationships with teachers, before and after school care staff, other extra curricular activities and moving to a new school would be very challenging for our kids to start over building those relationships and feel at home again.

I hope the committee considers my concerns and makes a favorable decision to keep Parkside communities in the Chapel Hill Elementary school zone. Thank you, Dr. Yash Patel 9008 Sunni Perch Ct Perry Hall MD 21128

Date: 10/24/2017, 1026 hrs

Name: Melissa McColligan Borger

I am writing to express my concern over the current placement of PB 30 in the new Northeast Area Elementary School. We are the only community between Ebenezer on Joppa on the East (Chapel Hill side) of HoneyGo Boulevard. We very much consider HoneyGo Boulevard as a natural boundary. The road is very much a raceway and is very unsafe in terms of walkability. We believe our close proximity and close community ties make our community a fit for Chapel Hill Elementary School. We have homes less than .3 miles from Chapel Hill. Once the construction is complete at Strawberry Commons we will qualify as walkers for Chapel Hill. There is no construction besides a foot bridge that could make HoneyGo a safe road to travel. Thank you for your consideration. Melissa McColligan Borger

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Date: 10/24/2017, 1217 hrs

Name: Jason White

I am a resident of the Parkside community (PB 30-42), with a daughter in first grade at Chapel Hill Elementary school. After reviewing the options along with the chartered goals of the committee, I would recommend the use of Honeygo Boulevard and Honeygo Run Park as boundaries, thus allowing the Parkside community (PB 30) to remain within the Chapel Hill ES boundary.

The Parkside community is located 0.6 miles from Chapel Hill ES. The Parkside community is within the walkable area of Chapel Hill ES, however, the community children would not be able to walk to the new school due to the safety issue of having them cross the four-lane Honeygo Boulevard. Additionally, moving the community to the new elementary school will pose safety concerns with the school busses having to exit our community and then cross two lanes of traffic to get into the left turn lane at the Joppa and Honeygo intersection. This is a dangerous exit from the community during the morning and afternoon commutes as there is no traffic signal between Ebenezer Road and Joppa Road. The fast-moving traffic will make it difficult and unsafe for school buses to make a right turn onto Honeygo Boulevard and within 800-1000 feet, cross two lanes of traffic to turn left at the Joppa Road intersection to travel to the new school. This busy and dangerous highway should be considered as a major infrastructure barrier in boundary change process. While the planning block for the Parkside community covers a large area, it consists of two parks (Honeygo Run Park and Gough Park) which occupy 75 percent of the planning block. The Parkside community does not have room for additional expansion. Additionally, this diverse community is extremely stable with little turnover, and elementary enrollment will decrease, providing natural capacity relief to Chapel Hill ES in the coming years, as our children graduate to middle school.

Thank you for your consideration, Jason White PB 30-42 Resident