

Motion
Agenda Item IV. C. 7 (Proposal 25)
Superintendent's Recommendation

Combine Billingsville and Cotswold Elementary Schools

May 24, 2017

I move approval of the Superintendent's proposal, effective with the 2018-2019 school year, to:

- combine the Billingsville and Cotswold elementary home school attendance areas, with students in the combined attendance area in grades K-2 attending Billingsville and students in grades 3 - 5 attending Cotswold; and
- establish a partial magnet at Billingsville with a school-wide International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme theme; and
- rescind the motion adopted on November 9, 2016 to establish a STEM and health sciences partial magnet school at Billingsville.

Details of the Proposed Changes

1. Projected Effective Date
Beginning of the 2018 - 2019 school year
2. Affected Areas
The Billingsville and Cotswold elementary home school attendance areas will be combined. Students in the combined attendance area will attend Billingsville for grades K - 2 and Cotswold for grades 3 - 5.
3. Default Assignments:
 - a. For rising 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students at Billingsville (for the 2018-2019 school year), the default assignment will be Cotswold Elementary. There is no option to remain at Billingsville.
 - b. For rising K, 1st and 2nd grade students at Cotswold (for the 2018-2019 school year), the default assignment will be Billingsville. There is no option to remain at Cotswold.
 - c. See Motion IV. C. 1 for sibling guarantees for magnet school students.
4. Middle and High School Assignment
There is no change in the middle and high school continuation schools. Students will continue to attend Alexander Graham Middle and Myers Park High schools.
5. Magnet School Program
The STEM and health sciences partial magnet school at Billingsville, which was to be offered at Billingsville starting with the 2017-2018 school year, will not be implemented. Instead, a partial magnet program with a school-wide International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme will be implemented at Billingsville.