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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We wanted to make sure you are aware that a committee has been formed to explore and study potential redistricting options to alleviate overcrowding at Freedom Elementary School. In accordance with CCPS Board policies, when an elementary school exceeds 105% of its capacity, potential solutions for overcrowding will be explored. Freedom Elementary is currently at 108% of its capacity and is projected to be at 122% by 2022.

This past July, when our Board of Education adopted the most recent Educational Facilities Master Plan, the Board approved the recommendation to form this committee. Throughout the 2019-2020 school year, the committee will meet to study and consider potential redistricting options. This process will conclude with a report and recommendations for consideration to the Board of Education by September 2020. Any Board-approved recommendations for redistricting would not be implemented until the 2021-2022 school year.

Please be assured that your school will have representation on this committee and you will have a point of contact. There will be multiple opportunities for input prior to any action, including at least two public hearings on any considerations and/or recommendations to alleviate overcrowding at Freedom Elementary.

Even though we foresee minimal impact for your school, Carroll County Public Schools understands that potential redistricting can bring uncertainty and concern. We are committed to open communication throughout this entire process and will keep you informed of every step along the way.

In an effort to keep you as informed as possible, we have created a webpage on the CCPS website entitled *Freedom Area Redistricting*. Here you will find information about the process, the timeline, and the work of the committee, as well as background material and, ultimately, the committee's report. You may access the webpage by [clicking here](#). We will notify you when information on the webpage is updated.

As always, we remain committed to providing high quality instruction and a safe and secure teaching and learning environment at each and every one of our schools. We value each and every student, their family, and our school communities.

Thank you for your understanding and support as we advance through this process together.

Sincerely,

Steve Lockard