

Space to Learn in Southwest/South Central Elementary Schools

A new elementary school, located in southwest Austin, is under construction as part of the 2017 Bond Program. Austin ISD will provide learning spaces and resources for students to thrive by creating an attendance area for the new Southwest Elementary School (relieving Kiker and Baranoff elementary schools), changing the boundaries between Baranoff and Kocurek elementary schools, and changing the boundaries between Cowan and Boone elementary schools. Overcrowded schools prevent students from learning in the best way possible – they require portable buildings, limiting the technology, innovative instruction and the collaboration between classrooms that can take place. Shared spaces, such as the gym and cafeteria, can become stressed and schedules become restricted to accommodate the larger number of students. The district’s Boundary Advisory Committee is nearing completion of final recommended boundary maps that will be incorporated into the School Changes Process.

Serving Students

Students at the affected elementary schools will have better access to resources with a more balanced population, allowing for even distribution of program selections.

Preparing Our Kids To Succeed By

- Creating an attendance zone for the new Southwest Elementary School to provide relief to Kiker and Baranoff.
- Changing boundaries between Baranoff and Kocurek to provide additional relief to Baranoff.
- Changing boundary between Cowan and Boone to provide relief to Cowan.
- Providing a two-way dual-language or immersion program at Boone (scenario on page 18).
- Offering International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program at Kocurek (scenario on page 45).
- Changing boundaries between Bailey and Gorzycki middle schools to allow for all students at the new Southwest Elementary School to attend Gorzycki.

Scenario Summary

Meets Guiding Principles



Anticipated Date

Timing will be determined upon a comprehensive assessment of complete School Changes project phasing

Campuses in this Scenario

Baranoff Elementary
Boone Elementary
Cowan Elementary
Kiker Elementary

Kocurek Elementary
New Southwest Elementary
Bailey Middle
Gorzycki Middle

Financial Implications

Academic Program Cost	TBD
Reinvested 2017 Bond Funds	N/A
Deferred Maintenance Savings	N/A
Annual Operations & Maintenance Savings	N/A

Summary of Changes

	Districtwide Changes	
✓	New Program	Two-way dual language or immersion program at Boone, International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program at Kocurek
	Enhanced Program	
	Campus Consolidation	
	Campus Repurpose	
✓	Facility Improvement	Improvements to Kocurek and Boone
✓	Boundary or Feeder Implications	Baranoff, Boone, Cowan, Kiker, Kocurek, new southwest elementary schools; Bailey, Gorzycki middle schools; Additional schools could be affected pending the outcome of the BAC's recommendation.

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Kocurek International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program

Kocurek Elementary School will become an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program, preparing students to learn how to think for themselves, take responsibility for their learning through an inquiry-led approach and develop global awareness through a curriculum that links concepts and skills to real-world issues. Students will gain the understanding and adaptability needed to succeed in our changing world. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to attend the Fine Arts IB program at Covington Middle School.

Serving Students

Inquisitive, caring students will gain intercultural understanding, which fosters a more peaceful world. These students become compassionate, lifelong learners who appreciate the merits of our differences.

The idea for this scenario will work independently of all other ideas. However, it will be significantly stronger and can achieve the intended results when combined with the Fine Arts International Baccalaureate at Covington scenario on page 46.

Preparing Our Kids To Succeed By

- Preparing students to excel in the International Baccalaureate middle and high school programs.
- Equipping students with the knowledge, concepts, skills, attitudes and action to help them lead successful lives.
- Offering students a rigorous and challenging primary curriculum with an emphasis on international education.
- Providing an interdisciplinary curriculum that links concepts and skills to real-world issues.
- Using an inquiry-led approach to empower students to think for themselves and take responsibility for their education.
- Developing learners and communicators who are inquisitive, knowledgeable, principled, open-minded, caring, balanced and reflective.

Scenario Summary

Meets Guiding Principles



Anticipated Date

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Campuses in this Scenario

Kocurek Elementary
Covington Middle

Financial Implications

Academic Program Cost	TBD
Reinvested 2017 Bond Funds	N/A
Deferred Maintenance Savings	N/A
Annual Operations & Maintenance Savings	N/A

Summary of Changes

	Districtwide Changes	
✓	New Program	International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program
	Enhanced Program	
	Campus Consolidation	
	Campus Repurpose	
✓	Facility Improvement	Kocurek
	Boundary or Feeder Implications	

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