



# Project Neighborhood

How can Brownwood ISD's primary grade programs (Head Start – 6<sup>th</sup> grade) maximize student achievement while continuing to offer a nurturing student-centered neighborhood experience?

In the fall of 2019, Brownwood ISD began discussions with stakeholder groups, including staff, parents, and community members, about answering this complex question. Several ideas were generated and discussed, including an early childhood center and moving the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades to different campuses. After several months of dialogue, no better option was clear when compared to the current configuration.

Another concept has emerged that focuses on student achievement while providing solutions to some of the logistical problems anticipated with previous ideas. For simplicity, we are calling this Project Neighborhood.

Project Neighborhood realigns Brownwood ISD primary campuses to provide continuity of services from Head Start through 5<sup>th</sup> grade within neighborhood elementaries.

Campus	2021 – 2022	2022 – 2023
Head Start Campus	Head Start	Moved to neighborhood campuses
East Elementary	PK – 3	Head Start – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Northwest Elementary	PK – 3	Head Start – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Woodland Heights Elementary	PK – 3	Head Start – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Coggin School	4 – 6	Head Start – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Brownwood Middle School	7 – 8	7 – 8
Brownwood High School	9 – 12	9 – 12

## Considerations

- Requires redrawing attendance boundary lines
- Growth opportunities with multiple assessed grades per campus
- Better opportunity for curriculum collaboration between grade levels
- Transitions between campuses occur when students are older
- Younger students stay in their neighborhood campus longer; lengthens parent involvement opportunities; less travel; builds student leaders
- Intra-district transfers still an option as space allows
- Transitional 'grand-fathered' scenarios for siblings and current students
- Removes aging Head Start facility while fully utilizing existing campuses
- Requires some teachers to move campuses
- Opportunity to rename campuses from directional names (East and Northwest)

A decision about moving forward with this plan (for the 2022–2023 school year) would not be made until the early spring of 2022. Everyone is encouraged to provide ideas through participation in upcoming stakeholder meetings, emailing [public.info@brownwoodisd.org](mailto:public.info@brownwoodisd.org), or contacting their neighborhood school principal.