

2015 – 2016 KISD Rezoning FAQ

1. **Question:** Why is the district pursuing the proposed rezoning for next year?

Answer: The district is committed to making efficient use of existing building space as we continue to experience growth and changing housing patterns within the district. The proposed rezoning will help to relieve overcrowding and enable the district to continue to provide the best educational environment for every student while at the same time making the most effective and efficient utilization of existing school facilities.

2. **Question:** How can my student remain at his/her current campus for next year? What is the process?

Answer: Assuming the KISD Board of Trustees approves the rezoning proposal as presented, parents with students wishing to remain at the current campus must complete a Grandfathering Option Sheet and return it to the current campus. A Grandfathering Option Sheet will be provided at <https://www.killeenisd.org/frontPagev3/attZones.cfm> if the proposed rezoning is approved. The grandfathering provision is available for current 4th grade students at Reeces Creek ES, and current 9th, 10th and 11th grade students at Ellison HS. Repeating 5th or 12th graders are also included in the grandfathering provision.

3. **Question:** If my student is grandfathered at Reeces Creek ES or Ellison HS, will siblings also be able to remain at the campus if the siblings are already attending the campus but are not in a grade that has a grandfathering option, or attend the campus if they are just entering into elementary or high school?

Answer: Assuming the KISD Board of Trustees approves the rezoning proposal as presented, parents who wish to have siblings of a grandfathered high school student attend Ellison HS must complete a Sibling Special Consideration Transfer Application and return it to the campus. A Sibling Special Consideration Transfer Application will be provided at <https://www.killeenisd.org/frontPagev3/attZones.cfm> if the proposed rezoning is approved. Parents who wish to have siblings of a grandfathered elementary student remain at, or attend Reeces Creek ES must request a Special Consideration Transfer through KISD Student Services. Please visit the Student Services web page at <https://www.killeenisd.org/frontPageV3/deptPage.cfm?navBarID=72> for information on student transfers, or call (254)336-2822.

4. **Question:** Do I have to complete and submit a Grandfathering Option Sheet and Sibling Special Consideration Transfer Application or request a Special Consideration Transfer each school year?

Answer: Yes. For multiple year grandfathering/sibling transfer provisions, parents must complete a new form for each student, each spring for the following school year. This ensures time to evaluate attendance and discipline, and to verify student eligibility for the provision.

5. **Question:** Will my student be able to participate in Athletics, Fine Arts, and other activities if they are:

- Rezoned to attend Killeen HS next year?
- Opt to exercise the grandfather provision?
- Siblings who opt to exercise the sibling transfer provision?

Answer: Students registered at a campus who meet U.I.L. requirements for participation are eligible to participate in all activities offered at the campus. Students exercising the grandfathering provision will continue to be eligible for U.I.L. sanctioned activities assuming they meet all other requirements. Parents of siblings entering 9th grade would be required to file an Application for Waiver

of Athletic Parent Residence/Four Year Rule with the U.I.L. The form can be found on the U.I.L. website at <http://www.uilTEXAS.org/waivers/forms>. If approved, the student would be eligible for varsity competition. If the waiver is denied by the U.I.L. the student would be eligible for sub-varsity competition only for one calendar year then varsity competition in subsequent years.

6. **Question:** Will transportation be provided for students opting to exercise the grandfather provision?

Answer: No, students electing the grandfather option must provide their own transportation.

7. **Question:** Will transportation be provided for students rezoned to Saegert Ranch ES or Killeen HS for next year?

Answer: Transportation services are provided for elementary students who reside one or more miles from their home campus and for high school and middle school students who reside two or more miles from their home campus.

8. **Question:** What afterschool opportunities will be provided to students? Boys and Girls Club, ASYMCA etc...

Answer: KISD currently offers the AYPYN Afterschool program at both Ellison HS and Killeen HS. Programs such as the Boys and Girls Club are offered at our middle schools, and ASYMCA is offered at elementary schools off post. All campuses offer various other opportunities through clubs and extracurricular activities. A detailed list is available at each campus.

9. **Question:** Will students still be able to request a transfer within the district to Ellison HS for the Leadership Academy or Killeen HS for the International Baccalaureate Program?

Answer: Yes, a student wishing to participate in either of those programs must first apply to the specific program of interest. Upon being accepted to the program of choice, then the student must apply for a special consideration transfer based on their acceptance to the program of choice.

10. **Question:** If my student exercises the grandfather provision and I provide transportation to school, will he/she be able to graduate from Ellison HS?

Answer: Yes, assuming all graduation requirements are met.

11. **Question:** Can my student's grandfather provision or sibling transfer be revoked?

Answer: Yes. All transfers are contingent upon continued good standing in the areas of discipline, attendance and punctuality. Furthermore, grandfathering and sibling transfer provisions are forfeited if a student enrolls in the new zoned campus or withdraws from KISD.