

Question 1

School: Oak Grove Elementary

Question 2

Role: Parent (or applicable selection: Parent, Student, Community Member)

Question 3

Zip Code: Your actual zip code

Question 4: Feedback on improving SAP's ability to meet their goals

The Lakeside Cluster already has strong schools with decades of culture and academic success. Instead of using a facilities-first lens to close schools like Oak Grove, the district should leverage its strong financial position to invest in academic programs in existing buildings. Improvements should start with an academic-first plan—class size, program access, and student supports—and only then align facilities to those academic priorities, not the other way around.

Question 5: Feedback on fairly placing students for equal access to highly resourced schools

Fair access to highly resourced schools does not require closing long-standing neighborhood schools in the Lakeside Cluster. With a budget over \$2B and large reserves, the district can fund shared STEM/STEAM, world language, and enrichment teachers who rotate among 2–3 nearby schools, bringing robust programs to each campus without forced consolidation. It is more equitable to lift up all existing schools than to displace communities into a few mega-schools.

Question 6

Recommended to leave blank

Question 7

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Question 8: Additional Feedback

Highlight for answering question #8: We will not vote for ESPLOST if this scenario passes.

This survey's trade-off questions force us to choose which level (elementary, middle, or high) should be harmed instead of allowing a "no consolidation" option. In the Lakeside Cluster, we oppose closing strong neighborhood schools like Oak Grove simply to create larger buildings or to fit a facilities-driven model. The district is in a strong financial position, with a total budget over \$2B and large reserves, so closures should be a last resort after academic-first alternatives are fully explored, including shared STEM and enrichment teachers rotating across 2–3 schools and program expansion in existing buildings. We support investing in our kids' futures, but only with an academic-first plan; if the district continues a facilities-first strategy that closes Lakeside

Cluster schools despite strong finances, we will organize to vote NO on the next ESPLOST and encourage others to do the same.