

Lamar CISD
Tamarron Elementary ABC Questions: 1-6-20

List the questions and/or requests for information on the initial attendance zone proposal.

1. For safety reasons, will there be additional infrastructure included to relieve traffic patterns at Tamarron Elementary?

Typically, any road improvements are completed by the County after a traffic study has numbers to support the improvements that are needed.

According to the Tamarron developer, there will not be any additional infrastructure related to the school opening at this time.

Separate from the school, DR Horton states that it is currently moving forward on development activities next month within the Tamarron subdivision, which will extend Tamarron Parkway as a full four-lane boulevard between Korsman Landing Dr. and Coles Canyon.

2. Will students living in Tamarron be offered bus service?

All students in Lamar CISD living more than one-half mile from their home campus are provided transportation to and from their home, a licensed daycare facility, or a grandparent's home within the campus attendance zone. The one-half mile distance is calculated along the closest publicly traveled roadway.

3. In the future, when the Jordan Ranch school is built, will there be enough students to sustain Lindsey Elementary without pulling back from Tamarron?

When and if a Jordan Ranch school is built, the attendance zones between that school and Lindsey will determine how many students would be in Lindsey. According to the District demographer, PASA, if Firethorne West, Young Ranch and Willow Creek Farms were the only neighborhoods zoned to Lindsey, they are projected to build out in the next five years and have about 600 elementary students at build-out.

The sections of Jordan Ranch currently being built (Sunset View, Ivy Crossing and Sage Landing) are projected to have about 270 students at build-out (in the next five years), and the future sections of Jordan Ranch are projected to have approximately 1,200 elementary students.

If a future attendance boundary committee decides that 600 elementary students is too few at Lindsey, then some of the estimated 1,500 future Jordan Ranch students could remain at Lindsey.

4. How many students are in Young Ranch vs Firethorne West?

Young Ranch currently has 79 elementary students and is projected to have around 125 elementary students at build-out.

Firethorne West currently has 287 elementary students and is projected to have around 400 elementary students at build-out.

5. Will current Lindsey 4th/5th grade students be grandfathered in or have the option to stay at Lindsey for the remainder of their elementary career?

If the committee would like, it can recommend 5th graders at Lindsey Elementary be considered for grandfathering. This has been done in the past—for 5th grade only—but it has been recommended intermittently in recent years due to high growth.

To clarify, grandfathering means that parents of 5th graders can choose to keep their child at their current campus, it does not mean that all 5th graders from that campus will remain. There is no bus transportation provided to students who choose to be grandfathered at their current campus. Siblings below 5th grade are not eligible for grandfathering.

6. Will there be any special education programs offered at Tamarron that might pull students from outside of the recommended attendance zone?

This is always a possibility. Once the attendance boundaries for Tamarron have been determined, we will review all Special Education students zoned to Lindsey and Tamarron and their programming needs. Programs are determined to ensure the majority of students are able to remain at their home campus.

For example, if there are 14 SLC students and 12 are zoned to Lindsey, we will not open a program at Tamarron. The opposite would be if 12 of the 14 students currently at Lindsey are zoned to Tamarron. In that case, we would move both programs to Tamarron because it would not be fiscally responsible to have two programs at Tamarron and one at Lindsey for two students.

This overflow of students can also occur within our ECSE programs because it is very difficult to determine how many 3-year-old students with disabilities will enter the school district throughout the year.

Lastly, Lindsey (Tamarron) students that currently require SESC support currently attend Huggins Elementary. At this time there are 10 students that have Lindsey noted as their home school, so we will have to determine which campus will house the program based on student attendance zones.

7. Will Tamarron be a bilingual school?

A decision on whether Tamarron will be a bilingual campus hasn't been made. We're currently reviewing enrollment in the north area of Lamar CISD regarding student needs of bilingual services and parent denial of those services.