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BCPS recommends closing Golden Ring Middle School to students; public hearing set for May 3

Action aimed at improving learning, reducing northeast overcrowding

Towson, MD – As part of its strategy to improve learning environments and reduce overcrowding in northeastern county middle schools, Baltimore County Public Schools plans to close Golden Ring Middle School to students and repurpose the building for future use.

BCPS Superintendent Dr. Darryl L. Williams notified the Board of Education of the plan at the Board's April 18 meeting. The move is part of an ongoing adjustment of attendance boundaries impacting central and northeast area middle schools; the new boundary lines will efficiently utilize the additional capacity at new Northeast Middle School and provide capacity relief in other schools. The closure of Golden Ring's program is scheduled for the 2024 – 2025 school year.

The Board will hold a public hearing about the proposed closing at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3, 2023, at the Eastern Technical High School auditorium, 1100 Mace Avenue, Baltimore 21221. The public can sign up to speak at the public hearing beginning at 5:30 p.m. on May 3. The Board will vote on the recommendation to close the school at its May 16 meeting.

While the future use of the school building on Kenwood Avenue has not yet been determined, its 900 students will be among those attending new schools as a result of a recommendation for new boundary lines to be voted on by the Board at its upcoming June 13 meeting. For more information about the recommended plan, visit the [Central and Northeast Area Middle School Boundary Study website](#).

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