

# Templeton Elementary School Swing Information Session | April 25, 2023 Questions & Answers

#### Where will the new location be?

Kenmoor Middle School - 2500 Kenmoor Driver, Greater Landover, MD 20785.

#### Will we move this year?

Yes.

#### How long will we occupy the new school?

2023 to 2026.

#### Will van transportation change?

The vans will devise a plan between the school and the daycare centers. However, there is no guarantee that they will come to the new location.

### My children don't qualify for school transportation because we are within walking distance from the school, but in this case, will they get transportation?

Yes, students within walking distance of Templeton will receive bus transportation to Kenmoor MS.

### Are you going to end this school year at the same location, and when you start next year, will it be in the new location?

Students will complete the school year at Templeton. The move will occur over the summer, and students will start at the new location in the fall.

#### Will we have access to the recording of this Zoom?

The recording and presentation will be added to the Department of Capital Programs Homepage: https://offices.pgcps.org/cip/.

#### Will this moving process start in May or by the end of the school this year?

The move will begin over the summer.

#### When will we move to the new address?

The move will occur in the summer of 2023.

#### When are the students going to move to the new school?

Students will begin at Kenmoor MS at the beginning of the next school year.

Are they going to be middle school students and elementary school students together? No, the current Kenmoor MS students will be moving to a different building. Only Templeton ES students will be at the new school site.



### When the school moves to the new school site, will it be called Templeton Elementary or Kenmoor Elementary School?

The school will still be called Templeton ES.

#### Does the parent have to sign up the child in the new school?

No, all students will move automatically.

#### My street does not have a sidewalk. Will a bus pick up my kids from my house?

We will survey the stops and ensure that the stops are safe. However, we will not do a house stop unless we cannot assign a stop to a safe location.

#### So, no summer school this summer?

Templeton ES does offer summer school; however, it does not occur at the Templeton location. Further information on this will be provided by the school.

### That school is very far away, and the bus is always late. Will the impacted students be called late?

The transportation department will do everything possible to get students to school on time.

#### Will students be picked up at their bus stops?

Students will be picked up from a specific bus stop. Families will receive stop locations two weeks prior to school starting.

#### Why are we moving schools?

A structural study found issues in the school building - Templeton. PGCPS has an opportunity to fund the building of a new school over the next three years.

### For 12-month staff, while Kenmoor Middle is moving into their new building, will Templeton wait until they moved out for us to move in?

The move will be coordinated between the school administration, Capital Programs, and Area office to ensure staff are able to work efficiently.

What will happen to the children who have received a notice to move to another school? For example, my child has received a notice to go to Rogers Heights Elementary School. Will they still need to go to Roger Heights, or can they still go to "Templeton" at Kenmoor?

Those students who received notifications about boundary changes will attend their new boundary school.

Will there be an orientation, so the kids know where to find their classes? Yes.

I would like to know if the school hours will remain the same for the new school year.

The school hours will remain the same.



#### Do we have to apply for transportation for the walking students?

No, the Transportation Department will determine eligibility for transportation and provide bus information prior to the start of the school year (in August).

#### Why are we moving schools?

The building is going to be demolished so a new school can be built in its place. The new school will be modern with all new systems, furnishings, and technology.

### If we still want to drop off and pick up the student, who would we have to communicate that to?

That information can be shared with the school team.

### Will all students have transportation, including those who walk home? Yes.

#### Will the students who are already enrolled still be enrolled?

Yes, all students who are currently enrolled at Templeton ES are still enrolled. The school program is just moving to a different location.

### It is the first time that my son will travel by bus. Will they send a form to know which bus we will have?

Yes. Families will receive their student or students' bus stop location and estimated bus arrival time two weeks prior to the start of school.

#### Will the move to Kenmoor be temporary or permanent?

This will be a temporary space for Templeton ES.

#### will the time of picking up and dropping off the students change?

No, it will not change.

#### Where is the new location?

2500 Kenmoor Drive, Greater Landover, MD 20785

#### When will the move occur?

The move will occur in the summer of 2023.

#### Will school start at the same time?

Yes, the school time will be the same.

### How will I know if my child will have transportation? My child is currently walking to school.

If your child currently walks to Templeton ES, then Transportation will be provided to Kenmoor MS.

#### Will the uniforms change?

There will be no change to the uniforms.



#### Is school going to start at the same time as now?

Yes, the time will be the same.

#### Will the students be going to a middle school?

The building was formerly a middle school building. However, it is large enough to house a large elementary school like Templeton ES. There will be no other school occupying the space while Templeton ES is there.

## My daughter also received a letter from Rogers Heights Elementary School. Do we have to do the enrollment to the new school, or will it also be automatic? If so, will the new school contact parents for student orientation?

For those students who were affected by a boundary change, the District is in the process of a transitional records process so that parents will get information from Templeton ES about the change and information from the student's new school about orientation.

#### Is the school nearby?

Yes, Kenmoor MS is 5 miles away from Templeton ES.

I received a letter a few months ago suggesting that my child go to Rogers Heights Elementary School. Do I have to change their school, or can they continue at Templeton? Students who are affected by the boundary change are expected to attend their new boundary school. Parents/guardians can request a transfer through the transfer process. Please find information on the transfer process here: https://www.pgcps.org/offices/student-records-transfers-and-archival-services/how-to-request-a-student-transfer.

### My daughter is walking to school right now, and now it's going to be a bit far for her and she's going to qualify for the bus or not.

All students are eligible for the bus next year. If they walk to school currently, we will provide transportation to the swing space.

#### Will the Pre-K 2023-2024 kids go too?

Yes, all Templeton ES students will swing to the new location.

#### is 5th grade going to the new one?

Yes, all students from Templeton will be moving in Fall 2023.

### Will the temporary school still be up to 5th grade, or will it be all the way to middle school??

Elementary students only will attend (up to 5th grade).

#### Will you send out the new bus routes?

Yes, routes will be provided two weeks prior to the start of school.

#### What about the safety and hygiene of the school?

Yes, our Building Services team is preparing Kenmoor MS now for the arrival of Templeton ES.



Students who are already picked up will always be at the same stop they already have Yes, but stop times may be adjusted slightly.

# I take my children to school every day, but the babysitter who lives in front of the school picks them up from the bus. Could I leave them at the stop that is closest to the babysitter?

The school would need to put that information into School Max, and the information would be received by the Department of Transportation.

#### How will I know if my child has been redistricted to another school?

Students impacted by the boundary change should have received a letter by mail to their home address. Parents can also check with the school's registrar.

#### When are they going to take down Templeton?

Between 2024 – 2026.

### Will the bus driver have someone to help him ensure the children will be safe inside the bus?

We only provide attendants for special education students. We do work with our drivers to give them student management training, and if notified, the Department of Transportation can provide additional training to drivers.

Can I put my son in another school willingly instead of sending him to the new school? Please find information on the transfer process here: https://www.pgcps.org/offices/student-records-transfers-and-archival-services/how-to-request-a-student-transfer.

#### Is the school where they will move shared with other students?

No. Templeton ES students will be the only students in the Kenmoor building.

#### When and how will know about the bus?

Families will receive a letter confirming bus transportation in August (2-3 weeks before the start of the school year).

What if my student rides a van this year? Can they ride the bus next year? Yes.

#### How is the commute?

Templeton and Kenmoor are five miles apart - approx. 10-15 min away.

The TEL bus is still not coming on time, and you guys said no bus is marked as late. No students who ride the bus are marked late.

### If my children are moving to a different school in another county, when do I transfer my student to the new school?

You should get the withdrawal package at the end of this school year.



#### The transfer process will be through School Max?

You can find the transfer process here: https://www.pgcps.org/offices/student-records-transfers-and-archival-services/how-to-request-a-student-transfer.

#### My child is in 5th grade this year. Will he move over to the new school?

Rising 5th graders will attend Templeton ES. If your student is a rising 6th grader, then the student would transition to his or her boundary middle school.