



Elementary School 16 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. Will the students who live in the newly formed ES 16 attendance zone be required to attend the new school? *Consistent with previous District practice, students entering the sixth grade will be given the option to be grandfathered and remain at Shannon ES for the 2021-2022 school year. All other students, including siblings of a grandfathered sixth-grader, will be part of the inaugural class of the new Elementary School 16. Families of sixth graders who choose to remain at Shannon ES are required to provide transportation to Shannon ES.*
2. Will the incoming 6th grade students who attend Springer ES, but are now rezoned to Shannon ES, be allowed to stay at Springer ES? *Students entering the sixth grade at Springer ES will have the option to be grandfathered and remain at Springer ES for the 2021-2022 school year. All other students, including siblings of a grandfathered sixth-grader, will be required to attend the campus to which they have been rezoned. Families of sixth graders who choose to remain at Springer ES are required to provide transportation to Springer ES.*
3. What other parts of Fate/Rockwall/etc. will go to the new school? *You can view the proposed attendance zone at [Elementary School 16](#).*
4. What middle school and high school will ES 16 students attend? *Elementary 16 students will attend Utley MS and Rockwall-Heath HS.*
5. How can I request a transfer for my student to the new school? *The Student Services Department processes student transfer requests annually, primarily on a hardship basis. The transfer process begins in April for the following school year. More information can be found at [Transfers](#).*
6. Will there be a SAGE program, chess club, and other programs like they have at Shannon ES? *We offer the SAGE program at all elementary schools for students who qualify. Student extracurricular clubs and organizations can vary.*

7. I assume transportation services will no longer be offered to Shannon ES from the Williamsburg neighborhood? *Bus transportation is not offered to schools outside of the respective attendance zone.*
8. How soon will the school be finished? *The school is projected to open for teachers and staff in late summer and welcome students on the first day of school in August 2021.*
9. Will the school be open in time for kindergarten roundup? *We are planning a virtual kindergarten roundup in the Spring. More details to come.*
10. Will the new school offer a bilingual program and/or ESL? *All schools offer ESL to students who qualify. Elementary #16 will not be a bilingual campus.*
11. Where can a parent view the proposed boundary map? *The proposed boundary map is posted at [Elementary School 16](#).*