



Cane Ridge Elementary School

Antioch Middle School

PreK-5 Information & Planning

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- Q.** *I thought Cane Ridge Elementary School was overcrowded?*
- A.** With the opening of the new Eagle View Elementary this fall, half of the students currently zoned to Cane Ridge Elementary School will move to Eagle View, freeing space to keep the 5th graders who live in the Cane Ridge Elementary School zone at that school.
- Q.** *Will Cole and Eagle View elementary schools also have 5th graders in the 18/19 school year?*
- A.** No, this temporary solution applies only to students entering the 5th grade who live in the Cane Ridge Elementary School zone.
- Q.** *What happens if MNPS does not receive funding to build a new middle school in the Cane Ridge Cluster?*
- A.** If funds are not available to move forward with construction of a new middle school within the next two-three years, the district will look at current and future enrollment and work with school leadership to determine other solutions.
- Q.** *Will 5th grade students have after school care at Cane Ridge Elementary School?*
- A.** Yes, 5th grade students will have access to the same after care program at Cane Ridge Elementary School as k-4 students.
- Q.** *Will 5th grade students at Cane Ridge Elementary School be able to take band?*
- A.** No. 5th grade students at Cane Ridge Elementary School will receive general music instruction instead of band.
- Q.** *Will 5th grade students at Cane Ridge Elementary School take the related studies classes?*
- A.** Yes, 5th grade students at Cane Ridge Elementary School will have the same scope and sequence of instruction in music, art, and physical education as 5th graders at Antioch Middle School.
- Q.** *How many 5th grade classrooms will there be?*
- A.** There will be three 5th grade classes.
- Q.** *How many students will be in the classes?*
- A.** The average class size will be 20-25 students.



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- Q.** *Will Cane Ridge Elementary have 5th grade classrooms going forward, or is this temporary?*
- A.** This short-term fix is expected to last for the next three to four school years. The long-term solution is to request funding for a new middle school in the Cane Ridge Cluster.
- Q.** *Will the current Cane Ridge Elementary 4th graders, automatically be eligible to stay for the new 5th grade classes?*
- A.** **Only** students zoned for Cane Ridge ES and currently in the 4th grade, remaining at CRES for the 5th grade. Current fourth-grade students who live in the new Eagle View zone will attend 5th grade at Antioch Middle next fall as planned.
- Q.** *What will determine which 4th graders stay at CRES and which 4th graders will go?*
- A.** See answer above
- Q.** *Is there any additional documentation I need to fill out to enroll my CRES 4th grader for the new 5th grade classes, or will they be automatically assigned?*
- A.** Students will be automatically assigned to classes and families will receive a confirmation letter via school mail if your student will be attending Cane Ridge for the 5th grade.
- Q.** *Will the 5th grade classrooms be in the portables or in the school building?*
- A.** All classes will be housed inside of the building.
- Q.** *Will elementary schools be adding 5th grade, or is this exclusive to Cane Ridge Elementary?*
- A.** At this time, this adjustment only impacts Cane Ridge ES.
- Q.** *Will other local elementary schools be sending students to CRES, or is it only for current CRES students going into 5th grade?*
- A.** Only students zoned for CRES will be attending in the 5th grade.
- Q.** *Going forward, will Antioch Middle school be excluding 5th graders?*
- A.** Antioch Middle will still offer 5th grade, serving students from other elementary schools zoned to AMS. The long-term solution to address enrollment growth is a new middle school for the Cane Ridge cluster. Future plans regarding Antioch Middle excluding 5th grade have not been proposed at this time.