

# School Capping Recommendations

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# Definitions

- Capped Schools - Schools that have been approved to stop enrolling students as they have exceeded their available capacity.
- Overflow Schools - Schools with available capacity and are designated to receive students from assigned capped schools.
- Crowded Schools - Schools that have more students enrolled than the school was designed to hold.



# Crowding Management

# Crowding Management Tools

- Add capacity with new schools, renovations or trailers
- Provide and encourage consideration of magnet school choices
- Adjust student assignment areas
- Apply enrollment caps
- Change a school's traditional calendar to year round



# Enrollment Cap Considerations

# Capping Considerations

- Class size legislation
- Impacts to school capacity
- Core facilities overloaded
- Alternative means of accommodating growth within school building exhausted
- Trailer additions not possible
- Projected enrollment growth beyond capacity

# Capping Consideration Details

- Must accommodate students living in their base prior to cap
- Program classrooms converted to capacity classrooms
- K-1 classrooms must be on first floor
- K-1 accommodated in trailers and/or a modular
- Number of co-teaching classrooms
- Number of combination classrooms
- Number of students per classroom

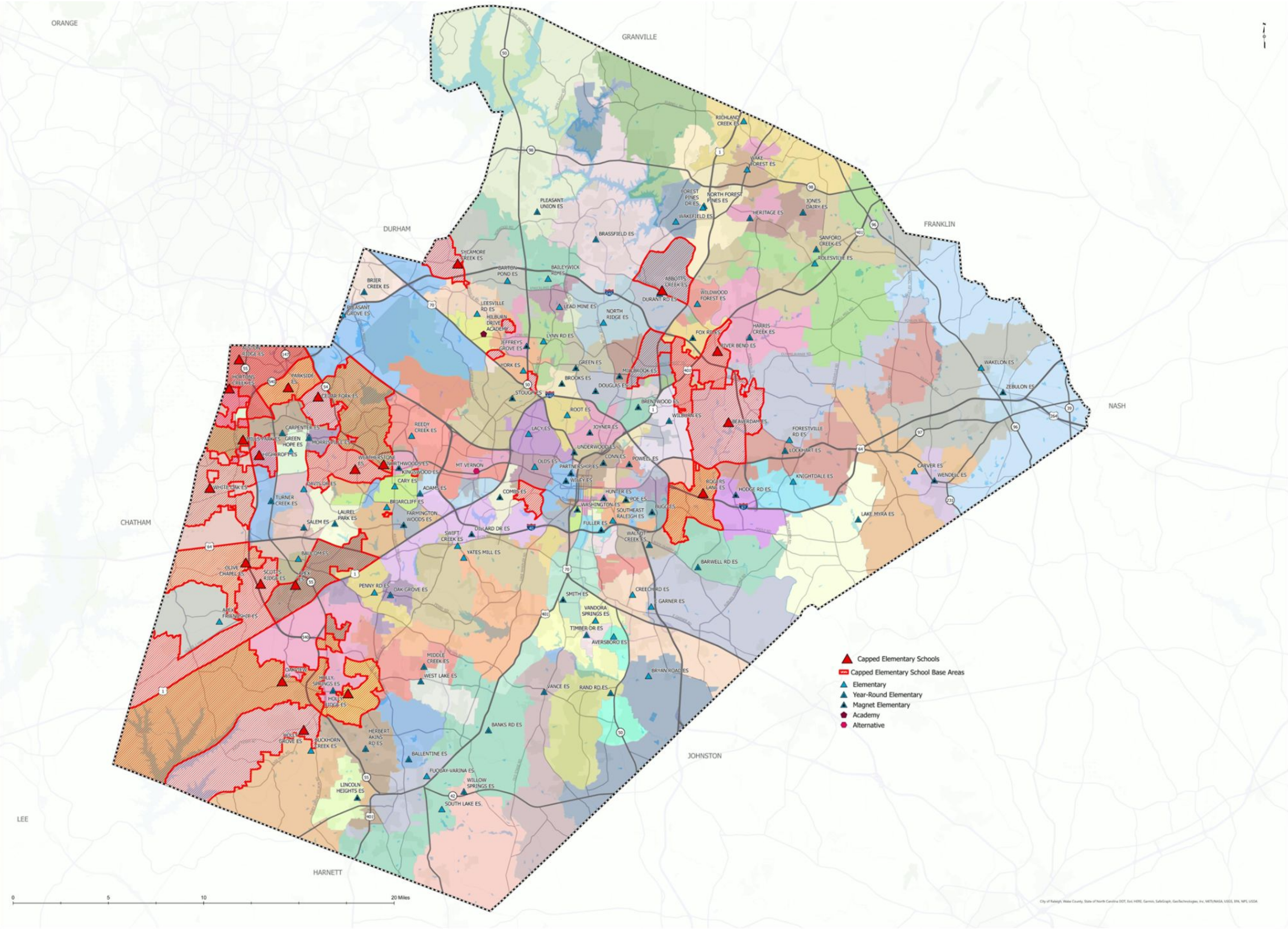
# K-3 Class Size Legislation Details

- K class size - 18:1 (max 21)
- 1<sup>st</sup> grade class size - 16:1 (max 19)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class size - 17:1 each (max 20)

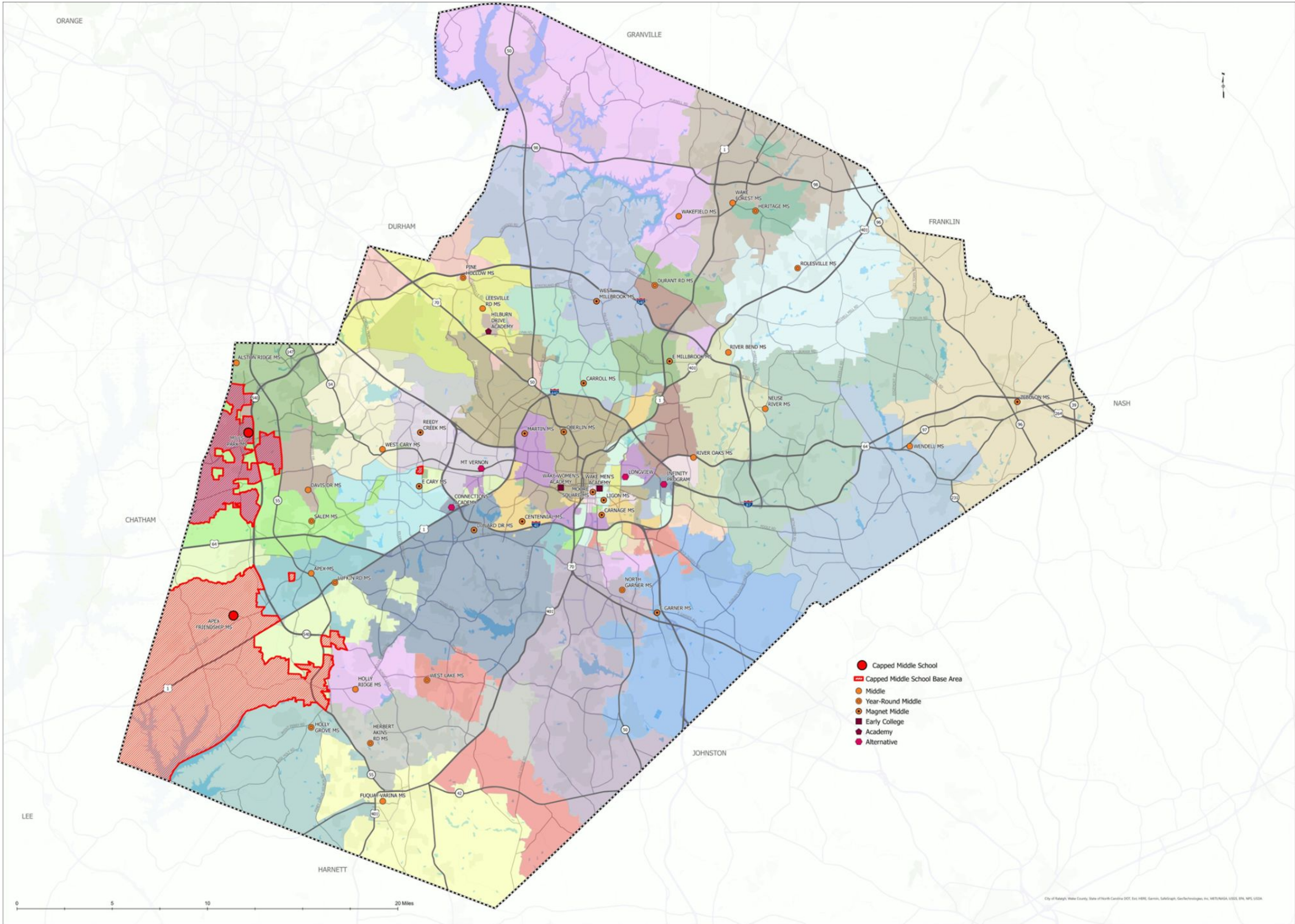
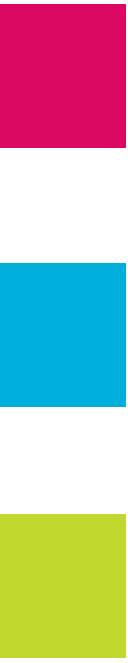
# 2022-23 Capped Schools (20 Elementary, 2 Middle, 3 High)

Elementary		Middle	High
Abbotts Creek	Northwoods	Apex Friendship	Apex Friendship
Alston Ridge (MTYR)	Oakview	Mills Park	Heritage
Apex	Olive Chapel (MTYR)		Panther Creek
Beaverdam	Parkside (MTYR)		
Cedar Fork	River Bend		
Highcroft Drive	Rogers Lane		
Holly Grove (MTYR)	Scotts Ridge		
Holly Ridge	Sycamore Creek (MTYR)		
Hortons Creek	Weatherstone		
Mills Park	White Oak		

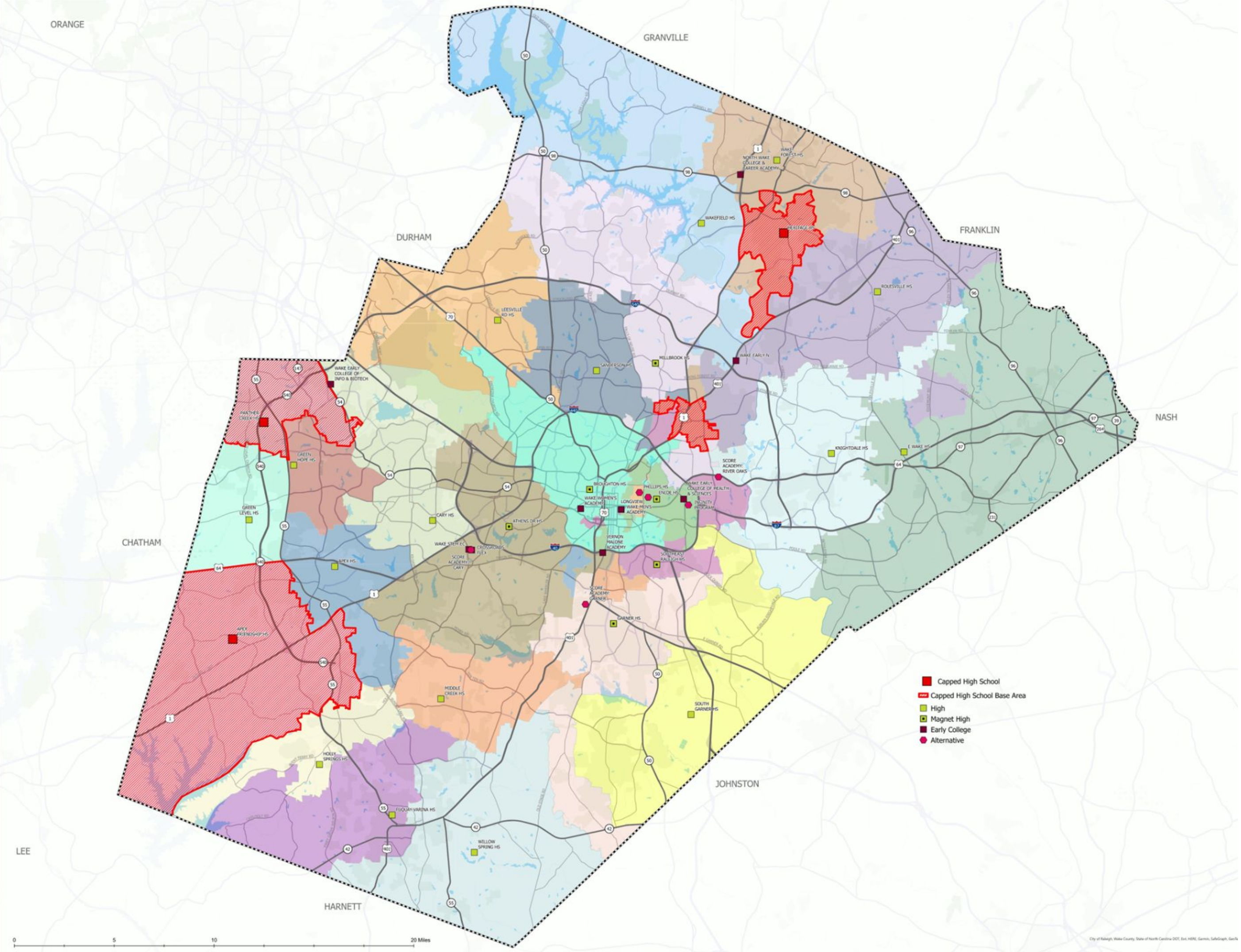
# CAPPED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS 2022-23



# CAPPED MIDDLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS 2022-23



# CAPPED HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS 2022-23





# Enrollment Cap Recommendations

# 2022-23 Capping Recommendations (Cap Removal)

Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers	Overflow Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers
Sycamore Creek (M-T) ES	85.3%	Brier Creek (M-T) ES	74.6%

- Crowding relief has been realized with capacity increases from proximate new schools and renovations.

# 2022-23 Capping Recommendations (Overflow Schools)

Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers	Overflow Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers
Apex ES	105.6%	<del>Baucom ES * @ Woods Creek ES (E51)</del>	<del>78.2%</del>
		Penny Road ES	86.8%
Olive Chapel (M-T) ES	114.1%	<del>Salem (M-T) ES</del>	<del>84.7%</del>
		Turner Creek (M-T) ES	86.9%

- Majority of capped out students currently attend the selected overflow schools.
- One school is sufficient for overflow students from these capped schools.
- Increases stability for families.
- Reduces strain on transportation.
- Increased capacity realized with completion of Woods Creek ES and Baucom ES.

# 2022-23 Capping Recommendations (New Capped School)

Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers	Potential Overflow Schools	% Crowding w/Trailers
Apex Friendship ES (2022)	131.5%	Baucom ES *@Woods Creek ES (E51)	78.2%

- Experiencing significant crowding with co-teaching options in some classrooms.
- K-1 classrooms are fully utilized with no opportunity to add more.
- K-3 legislative class size waivers are being utilized to increase class sizes.
- Elementary school site cannot accommodate trailers.

# Cost Implications

- We estimate that approximately 3 additional buses will be needed to accommodate the proposed new school cap.
- Hiring additional drivers will continue to be the greatest challenge.
- Increased bus ride times for students.

## **Staff proposes:**

- Remove the cap from Sycamore Creek ES.
- Remove the dual overflows at Apex ES and Olive Chapel Rd ES.
- Implement a new cap at Apex Friendship ES.

# Next Steps – Timeline and Questions

- February 21, 2023: Approve 2023 capping recommendations
- Spring 2023: Annual process review with capped and overflow schools

