

Procedures for Attendance Areas Policy

Summary of February 2019 School Committee
Meeting, Vote and Adoption

Why Changes to Procedures

- Increasing school enrollment across Town
- Smith school building project building size
- Flexibility to meet shifting student populations
- Continuity of education for elementary school career K-5
 - Changes made only to incoming kindergarten students and new enrollments
- Geographically local schools to students residence
- Program equity across all five elementary schools
- Ability to manage class size for an equitable experience

Why Increase Capacity to 465 Students?



The District has been forced to keep the enrollment at Smith School lower than that of the other Danvers Elementary Schools due to the Open Concept layout. As the student population in Danvers begins to grow, limiting the enrollment at the Smith School has caused overcrowding at the other Elementary Schools in Town.

As part of the MSBA funding assistance approval process, a projected student enrollment analysis was performed for all K-5 students in the District. Please note the following from the MSBA's October 13, 2016 Enrollment Certification Letter:

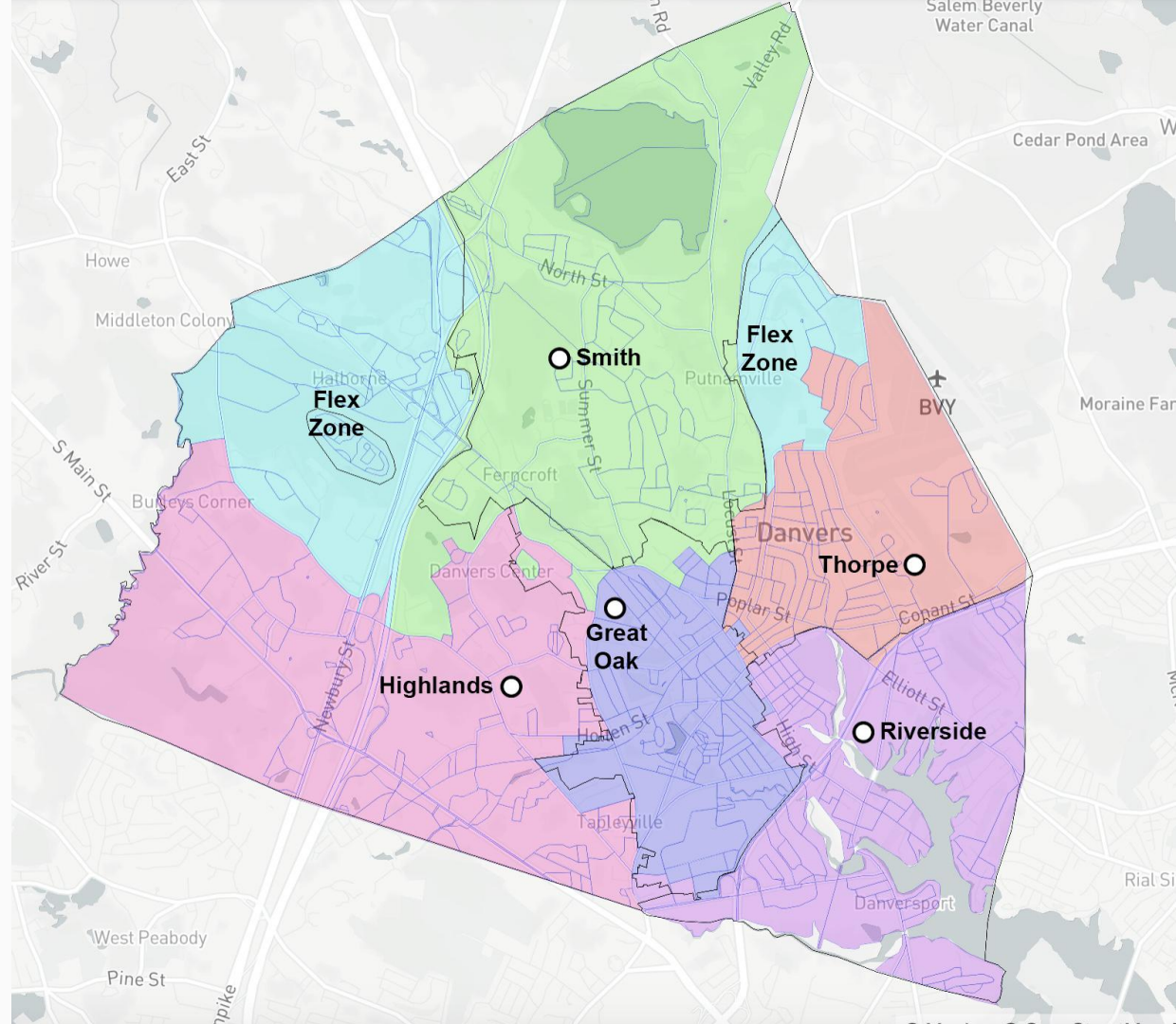
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| • The AVG K-5 base enrollment forecast through 2025-2026 | 1,905 students |
| • Current capacity at other four Danvers Elementary Schools | 1,440 students |
| • MSBA recommended design enrollment at Smith School | 465 students |

$$1,905 - 1,440 = 465$$



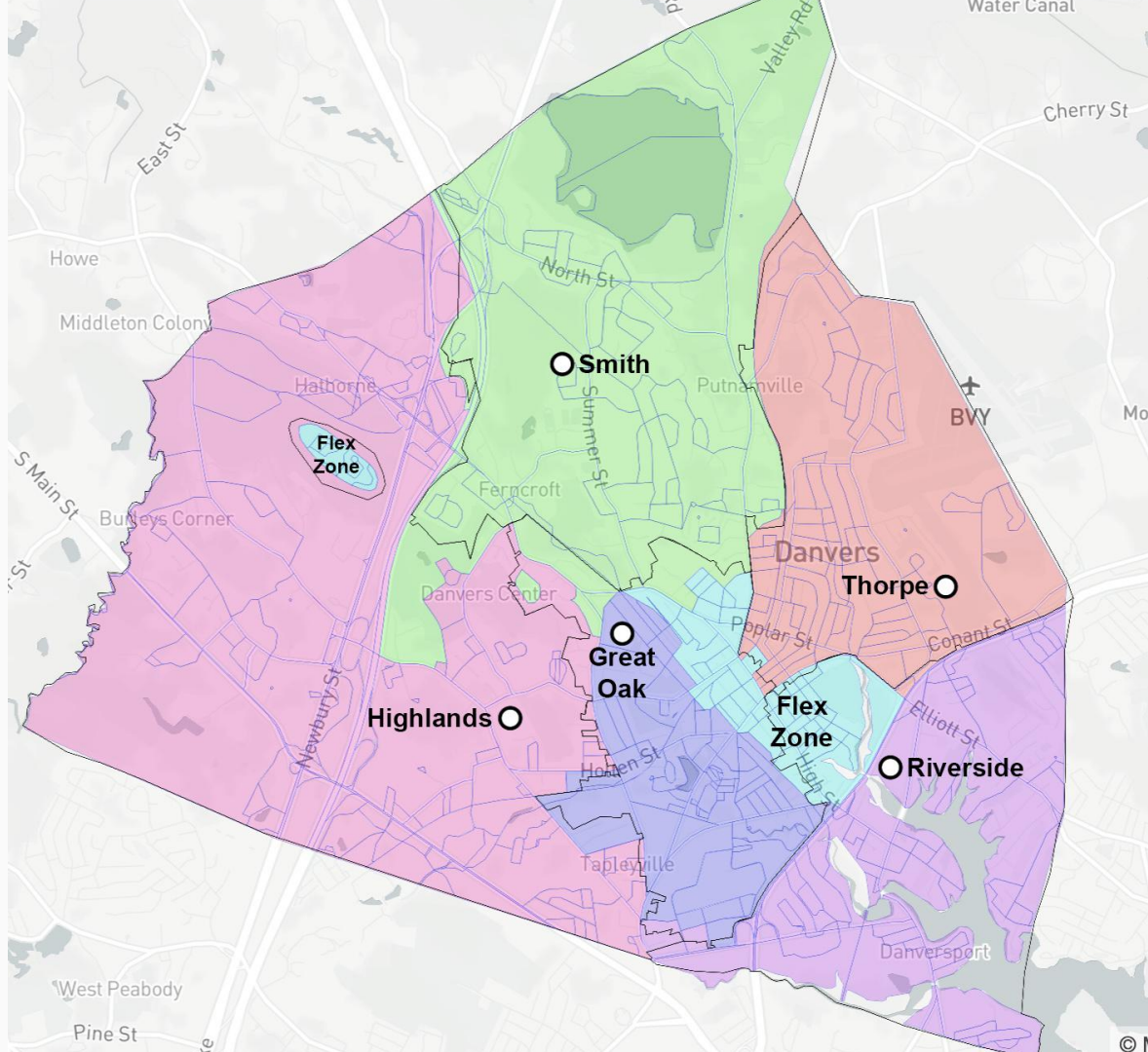
Smith Flex Zones

- Detailed addresses included in the Student Registration Information page on our website under the [Elementary School District by Street](#)



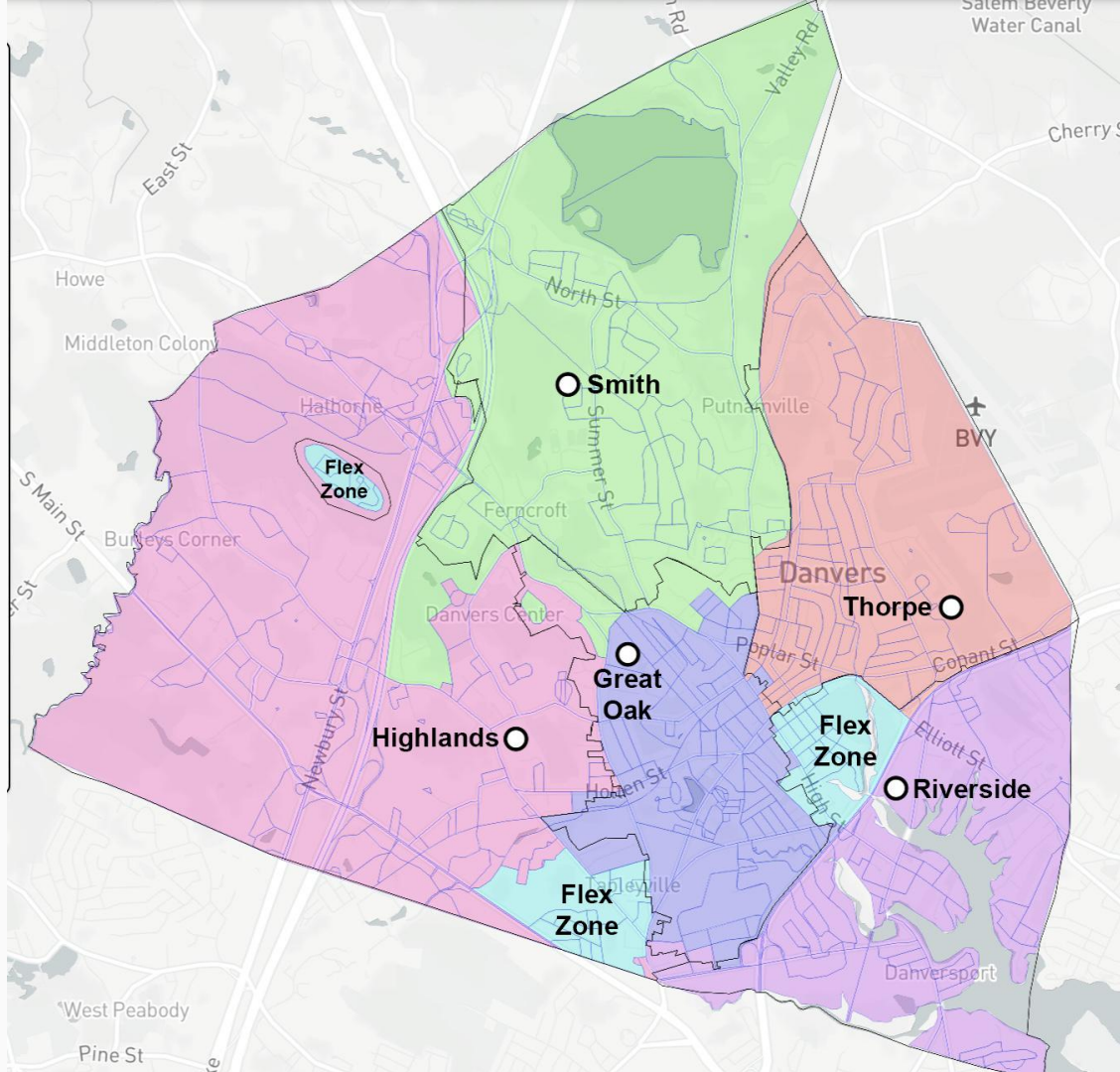
Thorpe Flex Zones

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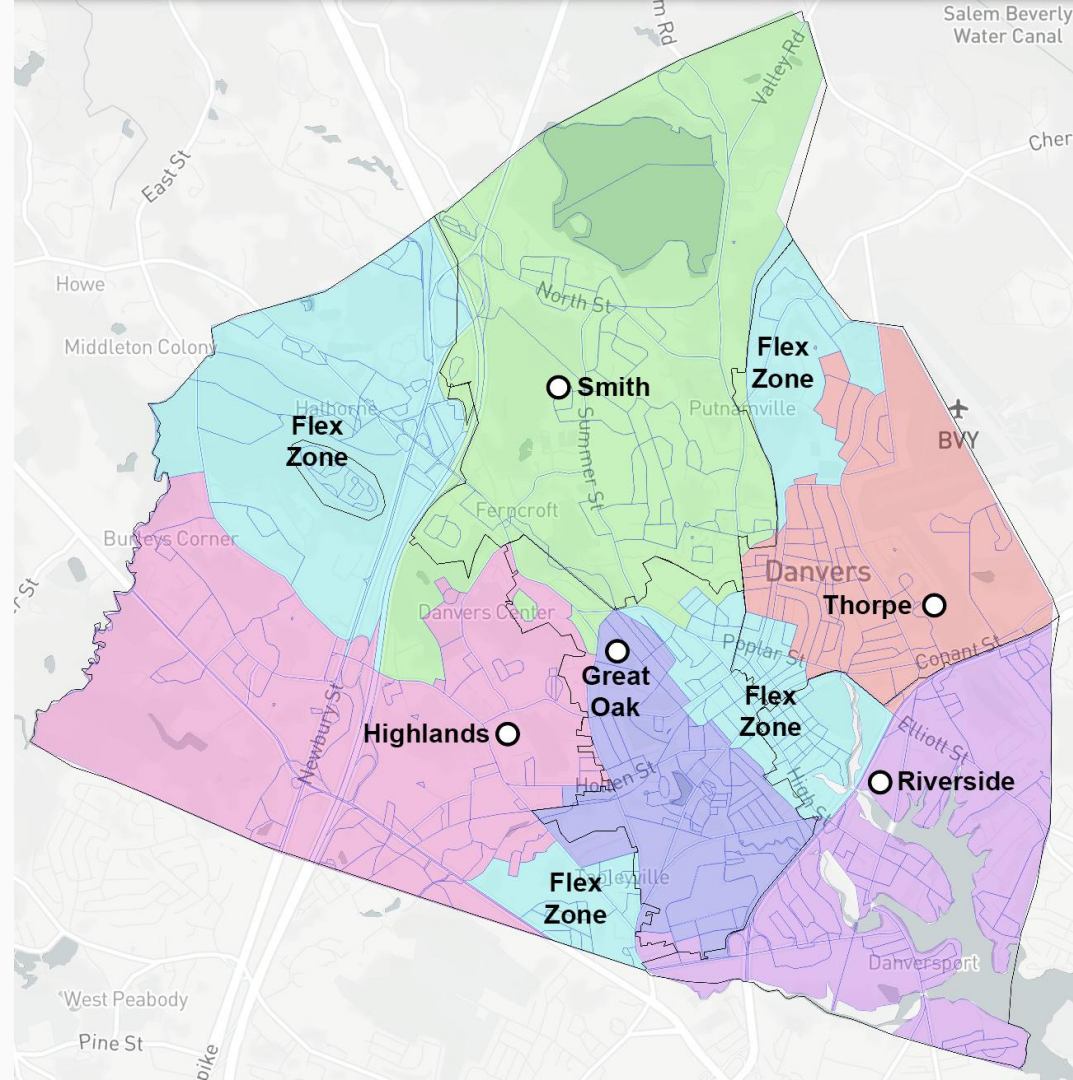
Great Oak Flex Zones

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All Flex Zones

- Summary map of all flex zones
- Additional areas identified for Highlands and Riverside for future use included
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Criteria for Placing Students

- Kindergarten students and new enrollments
- Siblings / families current schools
- Total school enrollment
- Class size at grade level
- Family preference when possible