



# THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

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Dear Kirkbride families:

As you may recall, in the spring we shared information with you about a new initiative that will involve every school in the District called the **Comprehensive School Planning Review (CSPR)**.

At the beginning of the school year the District began working with industry experts to take a system-wide look at how populations and communities across our city are projected to change in the coming years. Knowing how populations of students and families in each community will transform over time will help the District better plan for and meet the educational needs of each community's changing population. The overall goal is to:

- optimize the use of school buildings city-wide to ensure all students have access to a high-quality school close to where they live
- invest limited capital dollars where they are needed most
- create thoughtful transitions for students at elementary and middle grades
- better support academic programs that prepare our students for college and career success
- maximize use of public (City/District) assets

For the CSPR neighborhood schools have been split into four annual cycles then subdivided into study areas based on their geographic location called study areas. The process will focus on solving for the unique challenges of the schools and neighborhoods in each study area. Our school is included in Cycle 1, Study Area 1.

A key first step in the process is understanding what matters to you as a parent and how the District can best engage you. Therefore, Critical Data Services, LLC will, on behalf of the School District of Philadelphia, begin reaching out to select parents via email and/or telephone to conduct a survey. I ask that, if you are selected to participate, you make every effort to do so.

Thanks in advance for your willingness to engage in this process. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks for choosing Kirkbride for your child's education.

Rebecca Julien

For more information on the CSPR process please visit [www.philasd.org/cspr](http://www.philasd.org/cspr).