

SEPTEMBER 28
LEESVILLE ROAD HIGH SCHOOL
PARENT INPUT

- Node 653.0, Bedford – wants Wakefield Middle and Wakefield High assignment; wants elementary assignment closer to homes; after school care too far; after school care split at two different YMCAs
- School counselor believes we bus students too far; students arrive to school exhausted; buses are overcrowded; not all families want to go to schools that WCPSS believes to be the best school for them; wants neighborhood schools; reexamine transportation costs; wants Leesville schools to remain base assignments for her children
- Lives in Heritage area in Wake Forest; had a smooth kindergarten entry – thanks WCPSS; our community is divided – WFRES and Forest Pines Elementary; believes there is a lack of communication with developers
- Has children at Leesville schools; concerned about crowding; WCPSS doesn't use good system to represent numbers – relies on Wake County projections that are inadequate; showing capacity numbers as combination of permanent and non-permanent is misleading; Leesville Elementary has 40% of students in mobile classrooms;
- Long Lake subdivision – Lynn Road Elementary and Carroll Middle assignments are too far; think about the economic issues
- Brier Creek resident – can all agree tonight that we are never going to agree; has a greater sense of the task and challenge that WCPSS has; is a huge proponent of YR schools; consider building “up” for new construction
- Has two children at Pleasant Union – opposes mandatory YR; consider the problems inherent with YR – sports, vacations, children must attend after school activities at 3:00 even when they are tracked out, additional expenses for child care
- Leesville family – opposes mandatory YR, wants Huckleberry Finn summers – they foster creativity; do something about the crowded situation – there must be a model we can find that will work; we have not made builders responsible; city council puts for 50% of \$ toward schools
- Who we vote for will make a difference; applaud the school board for what it is trying to do

- We are in reactionary mode with the developers; we need to be assessing fees
- Doesn't make sense for commissioners to be in the pockets of the developers; vote for commissioners who will support the schools
- Brier Creek area – Brooks assignment is too far, bus ride begins at 8:00 a.m. and students don't return home until 5:00 p.m.; have applied again this year but cannot get into YR
- Consider the borrow area for school construction
- Wants schools start/stop times more aligned for elementary and middle students
- Thanks the school board for all they do; your job sucks, my hats off to you; consider another modified calendar high school in our area for families with YR siblings; developers should share some responsibilities for school construction and land; huge proponent of YR; doesn't see WCPSS having any other choice than to go with more YR
- Thanks for the opportunity to speak; know you're stuck between rock and hard place; opposed to mandatory YR; consider energy conservation
- If you're not letting your voice be heard, don't complain
- Change legislative laws to make developers more responsible
- In post Katrina/Rita world we need to rethink our past practices